## **PINWHERRY & PINMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2013 IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Community Councillors present:** Roger Pirrie (Chair), (Vice Chair) Mike Chamberlain (Treasurer), Marie McNulty (Secretary), Joy Chamberlain, Pearl McGibbon, Peter Walker

Co-opted members: Charles Welsh, Claire Pirrie

In Attendance: S.A.C Elected Member Alec Clark

**Apologies:** Louise Fyfe, Chris Saunders, John McAlley, Senga Scobie **Absent:** David Logan

Members of the public: Doug and Jean Wyllie

Chair taken by Roger Pirrie. Minutes taken by Claire Pirrie

Declarations of Interest: No additions to those registered.

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no.					
1.	Deputations / Presentations / Open Forum: None				
2.	Minutes of 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2013.				
	Approval proposed by Marie Me				
_	Seconded by Peter Walker. All				
3.	Matters arising not on the ag				
	Item 12. Tralorg windfarm appe				
	June				
4.	Regular Reports:				
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	Roads are now a shared res				
	Ayrshire who take the lead i		•		
	occurred. George Fiddes ar issues of white lines, safety				
	timescale for the work is ava				
	highlighted that Muck Rd is SAC's responsibility a review has shown that the budget is insufficient for				
	resurfacing and reactive rep				
	necessary funds are availab				
	Treasurer Mike Chamberla				
	Carrick Futures small	£1,000			
	grants	,			
	Hadyard Hill small grants	£6,618.85			
	Council business	£1,899.56			
	Lay by enhancement	£1,926.27			
	Secretarial	£1,187.78			
	School House	£12,090.00			
	Total	£24,722.46			
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	for the School House projec	t it should nov	v move away		

	from PPCC responsibility, possibly to PPCDA. PW pointed out that funding applications have been made through PPCC so funds shouldn't be transferred until the feasibility study is completed. It was agreed that, depending on the outcome of the feasibility study, the project would be transferred from PPCC to an appropriate organisation by October. No payment will be made until the work is completed. Treasurer will	PW MC
	ring fence the funds in PPCC's account. MC proposes that PPCC bank account is moved from Bank of Scotland to Royal Bank of Scotland due to unsatisfactory service. Seconded by RP and all agreed.	MC
	<ul> <li>SAC Link Officer Louise Fyfe sent apologies and had nothing to report.</li> <li>Secretary: Mental Health consultation document received and paged to 10 for completion</li> </ul>	JC
6.	passed to JC for completion.  Pinwherry School & 2 Pins Centre projects:  PW reported that meetings with Architect and Quantity	PW
	PW reported that meetings with Architect and Quantity Surveyor will be held in mid August. 2 Pins Co. and Pinwherry Community Association are fundraising jointly. Concern expressed over costs of hall use. If hall keeper goes over 15hrs per week then the charge is £11/hr so profit will be reduced. CW also pointed out that the hours are calculated per week and not over a month. Reduced attendance at events in rural areas may add to the reduced profits. Claire Monaghan and AC are to review the policy.	AC
6.	<b>Roads:</b> RP reported next Road Group meeting will be at 7pm on Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August in Pinwherry Hall. Residents in 3 CC areas have asked why U roads with minimal residences have been resurfaced before roads such as Muck Rd with many residences. Response	RP
	awaited from Mike Newall, who has "referred to road operations for response". AC said it may be due to the way work is listed.	RP
	Regular road feature will appear in Stinchar Valley Magazine. PPCC noted different windfarm developers assess road suitability differently for turbine transport. JC asked about hedge and verge cutting. AC said reduced budgets will reduce frequency of cutting. AC will	RP
	ask SAC if PPCC can see the work plan for roads. Safety issues at Daljarrock and Pinwherry bridges reported three weeks ago to Kevin Braidwood have had no response. Similarly it is some months since the danger	AC RP / AC

	of falling trees was raised with no response. Suggestion that PPCC write to Gazette and Ayrshire Post to be considered.	
7.	Windfarm updates/developments: CW reported on the first liaison meeting for proposed Altercannoch wind farm. A representative of SAC roads is to be asked to the meetings to ensure a preassessment of roads and an adequate bond is put in place. CW has challenged Scottish Government over the lack of access to appeal documents in time to put in a response to the appeal.	
8.	<ul> <li>SAC - PAT testing requirements for use of village halls:</li> <li>RP read the policy received from Ronnie Sinclair.</li> <li>If hall keeper is not present it is the host's responsibility to enforce the policy.</li> <li>PW and PMcG will co-ordinate obtaining a quotation from a qualified electrician. A small grant will be used and a Saturday morning booked in Pinwherry Hall and advertised in SVMagazine for anyone to bring equipment to be PAT certified. Suggestion that this is rotated around all CCs in the area on a rolling basis to enable testing to be ongoing. Extension cable to be purchased tested and stored in the hall and speakers to be informed projector equipment can be borrowed from SWRI.</li> </ul>	See appendix PW / PMcG
9.	Forum updates: deferred to next meeting.	
	Scottish Government Planning Policy and Framework Consultation: All agreed PPCC should respond to ensure the rural voice is heard in this consultation. General disappointment was registered at the nature of the strategic and leading questions and apparent lack of interest in South Ayrshire in terms of transport, infrastructure, economy, tourism and windfarm cumulative impact, despite recognition of the importance of the UNESCO Biosphere and Dark Skies award. AC agreed to request SAC's response for consideration by PPCC. All agreed PPCC should respond to the questions before the meeting by sending comments to secretary for collation by Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> July and final document to be copied to SAC Chief Executive and Adam Ingram MSP.	AC All MMcN
10.	<ul> <li>Any Other Business:</li> <li>a) Further discussion of roads issues related to potholes, inadequate repairs, road work signs not removed, different policies of different agencies in signs for road</li> </ul>	

11.	. Meeting closed at 20.50 Date of next meeting: 15 <sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm in Pinwherry Community Centre	
	<ul> <li>closures and diversions, wooden shuttering and collapsing road verges.</li> <li>b) Pinwherry Community Association and 2 Pins Community Company will hold an afternoon tea event on 24<sup>th</sup> August at Pinmore Green. Community Councillors will use the opportunity for consultation with residents.</li> <li>c) Chair presented Mike Chamberlain with a gift in recognition and appreciation of his 15 years unbroken service as a community councillor and treasurer.</li> </ul>	All

Minutes approved: Chairperson -

Secretary

## **Appendix 1**

## PORTABLE ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES

In accordance with South Ayrshire Council policy all portable electrical appliances must be tested by a competent electrician **BEFORE** use in Pinwherry & Pinmore Community Hall.

This means that the hall keeper will inspect **ALL** portable electrical appliances (e.g. laptops, projectors) before they are plugged into the fixed electrical installation. If the equipment does not bear an electrical test certificate, or the certificate is more than 2 years old the hall keeper will refuse use of the equipment.

To avoid embarrassment it is the responsibility of all community groups to ensure in advance that their guest speakers or others have had their portable electrical appliances tested in accordance with this policy.

This policy does not apply to battery powered equipment which will not be plugged into the fixed electrical installation.

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