

PINWHERRY & PINMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Thursday 17 July 2014 IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Community Councillors present: Roger Pirrie (Chair), Chris Saunders (Vice Chair), Mike Chamberlain (Treasurer), Joy Chamberlain, Marie McNulty (Secretary).

Co-opted members:

In Attendance: SAC Elected Councillor John McDowall.

Apologies: John McAlley, Peter Walker, S.A.C Link Officer Louise Fyfe, David Logan

Community Police Officers: WPC in attendance

Members of the public: Claire Pirrie, Phil Parkin, Mark Evans, Mhairi McKenna, Ian Yellowlees, Susan Yellowlees, Victoria Boyle, Heather Shuckburgh, Mark Wickens, Harriet Ellis, John Hair, Claire Pirrie, William McCreath, Sheila Cassidy

Chair taken by Roger Pirrie. **Minutes** taken by Senga Scobie

Declarations of Interest: No additions to those registered.

Item no.	Item	Action by
1.	<p>Community Police Officers report: There have been 5 incidents from the 1st June to date. 3 road traffic accidents, 1 house breaking and 1 theft of fuel. Residents are being urged to;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Look out for any unusual vans, take registration numbers and report to the police.• Ensure sheds and outhouses are secure. If a break in does occur do not touch any unfamiliar items for forensic purposes.• To report anything suspicious call 101 or 999 if unsure.	
2.	<p>Mark Evans – GreenPower – Millenderdale Wind farm Project Manager: Mark Evans was invited to give a 10 minute presentation on the proposed Millenderdale wind farm followed by questions from CC's and members of the public. Mark informed all present the consultation process is running until the end of August and the committee date to the council is in December. Mark handed out a 5 page environmental statement and explained each page. P1. Contains the site layout. P2. Mark explained considerations in regards to the design of the site. P3. Access roads and alterations i.e., widening areas.</p>	

	<p>P4. Turbine delivery – A77 through Girvan to Shalloch on Minnoch, peak times will be avoided and police escorts will be there where necessary. Wind monitor and mast will be 70 metre in height. 120 metre to hub. Blades up to 50m wide. 125 metres to top of tip.</p> <p>P5. Visibility – details the visual impact to the surrounding area. Cultural Heritage visibility is quite substantial. Marc stated Green Power believe the environmental impact to benefits is good. Application is in and is live until the end of August. Council target date is December.</p> <p>Q. Is Scottish Wildlife Trust receiving compensation? A. Not at liberty to answer due to confidentiality. ME will respond after taking advice on this.</p> <p>Q. Did you approach land owners or vice versa? A. Site was identified in min 2000, land owners were approached by Green Power Comment: land owner 1km from site was not approached, ME will look into this.</p> <p>Q. Sheila Cassidy a neighbour the middle of construction site was not consulted, property is on the boundary, why is this not on the report? A. Property is on the red line. Owner will need to take this up with SAC. Greenpower take guidance from South Ayrshire Council in who needs to be consulted as a 'neighbour' and has followed guidance. ME has written and involved the property owner in the process although not necessary.</p> <p>Q. Type 1 and type 2 materials are being used on the roads, how much is going to be used and where are you going to get it? A. 4 Burrow Pits will need to be created and the size has been identified in ES statement. John Hair asked to purchase a CD with the Environmental statement and maps on. No spare copies were available at the meeting. ME will provide extra discs to PPCC which can be copied.</p> <p>Q. What happens to the borrow pits post use? A. They will be landscaped in keeping with the surroundings. There will be a re-instatement plan agreed with SAC</p> <p>Q. CP – Breakerhill was refused twice, what makes your site special?</p>	<p>ME</p> <p>ME</p> <p>ME</p>
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	<p>A. this site is further south, so don't feel it will have the same impact visually.</p> <p>Q. What ground are the turbines to be erected on, i.e. peat? A. There is no peat on site.</p> <p>Q. Visibility is extensive, can this be reduced? A. Height does not massively effect visibility, less electricity is generated on smaller turbines, benefit more with larger ones.</p> <p>Q. Where are you planning on feeding into the grid? Are you planning on other non moving structures? A. Transmission project – substation at Mark hill. Mark hill to Maybole connection is being upgraded in next 2 years. Comment: everything seems to be going to Mark hill. Wooden poles, not pylons, will be used this will be in 2017-2018 subject to Scottish Power consent.</p> <p>Q. Do you honestly believe communities want this? A. Public acceptance, more and more people are in favour of this.</p> <p>Q. Special scientific interest, do you take this into account? A. We take this into consideration so much as we can.</p> <p>Q. The owner of High Letterpin farm owns land at both sides of the road, and has not been consulted? WMc to take this up with SAC Planning.</p> <p>Q. Powerlines - under section 38 cannot be opposed. Where are poles going to be located, they are subject to different planning permission and are not opposable. A. Scottish Power will look at this after the development is consented.</p> <p>Q. Road improvements regarding Shalloch Mill, Lendalfoot, Colmonell, what improvements will be done on this road? A. Most of the traffic will go into the development site on the road that will be built.</p> <p>RP thanked ME and Craig for attending.</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p>Minutes of 15 May 2014. Approval proposed by Joy Chamberlain. Seconded by Marie McNulty. All agreed.</p>	

4.	<p>Matters arising not on the agenda: No matters arising.</p>	
5.	<p>Regular Reports:</p> <p>SAC Elected Member John McDowall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roads – met with ST, Councillor Reed and Transport Minister, discussions were mainly concerning the A77 Ayr to Monkton and the Maybole bypass. There is no additional funding, if there is any under spend on other projects this funding will be allocated to the Maybole bypass. Concern was expressed over other roads. • Girvan pool - £4m capital funding has been confirmed. Project hoped to be completed and open by August 2016. • Pinwherry School House – JMcD has liaised with Jim McQuiston, North Ayrshire Housing and J. Burns. JMcD briefed all present on the situation regarding social housing. From the closure of the school, there has been no maintenance carried out on the building, long term this will result in the condition of the building deteriorating. • CS re facilities at Girvan harbour, changing rooms, showers, public toilets etc – JMcD advised £92k for new public toilets part funding from European funds and SAC, there is a tight time scale and should be complete by April next year. <p>SAC Link Officer Louise Fyfe: No report</p> <p>Treasurer Mike Chamberlain:</p> <p>£17135.36 in bank £2.5k from CF Expecting £5k from HH Layby Enhancement spent Cheque to PPCDA now out of account. Account has been audited by SAC, all passed.</p> <p>Secretary Marie McNulty:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Empowerment Bill- closing date is the 5th September, MM will do this and run it by RP. 	MM
6.	<p>Roads:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RP referred to a meeting with Ayrshire Roads Alliance. An independent survey of the A714 has been carried out. Issues will be attended to in order of priority over a 5year time scale. The survey is available on request 	

	<p>from RP. CS mentioned the road survey at the CCCF meeting which was met with interest by others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PPCC is now back with Barrhill regarding road issues. 	
7.	<p>Wind farm updates/developments: CP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pinclanty/Minuntion, Pinmore Mains and Auchenflower applications all refused and now gone to appeal. • HH scoping report is ongoing. • Breakerhill application refused again. • PP, Colmonell and Lendalfoot consultation information and objection letter is ready to go. • CP explained the planning process in detail. CP will prepare an article for the SV Magazine detailing information on how the planning process works and what happens. 	CP
8.	<p>Carrick Futures update: RP – Foundation Scotland is the new grant administrator, the transition may take up to 3 months, possibly November.</p> <p>Carrick Futures application approved for Colmonell School outdoor activities.</p>	
9.	<p>Any other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAYLSA – Pinwherry rail halt – PW approached SAYLSA about opening a halt at Pinwherry. The views of residents have to be ascertained. This is a big project and will need a feasibility study. This is in SAYLSA hands. CS advised this is to be discussed at the next CCCF. At a cost of approx £800k to usage, would this really be viable? R Carr will brief on this. A discussion took place on PPCC for or against this. • CP – CW was a co-opted member of PPCC for years, CP suggested gifting something by way of thanks. It was agreed Dobbies gardening vouchers be purchased. JC will attend to this. • JMcD put in his apologies for the next meeting on the 19th September. <p>Meeting closed at 9pm</p>	JC
	<p style="text-align: center;">DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING Thursday 19 September 2014 @ 7.30PM IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY HALL</p>	

Minutes approved: Mike Chamberlain
Chris Saunders
Last meeting 15 May 2014