

PINWHERRY & PINMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Thursday 20 March 2014 IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Community Councillors present: Chris Saunders (Vice Chair), Mike Chamberlain (Treasurer), Joy Chamberlain, John McAlley, David Logan.

Co-opted members: Charles Welsh

In Attendance: S.A.C Link Officer Louise Fyfe, SAC Elected Councillor John McDowall, Chief Executive of South Ayrshire Council Eileen Howat

Apologies: Roger Pirrie (Chair), Marie McNulty (Secretary) Peter Walker, Community Police Officers:

Members of the public: Claire Pirrie, Bob Turner, Ruth Murray.

Chair taken by Chris Saunders. **Minutes** taken by Senga Scobie

Declarations of Interest: No additions to those registered.

Item no.	Item	Action by
1.	Community Police Officers report: 7 incidents reported since last meeting, 2 road accidents 4 general assistance to public regarding suspicious vehicles and 1 of stolen oil. There is currently an active house-breaking team operating in Ayr and other areas. Police urge the public to report any suspect vehicles. Oil theft – police advised public to look out for van type of vehicles and dial 101 to report them. Only dial 999 for an emergency.	
2.	Open Forum: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No reports	
3.	Minutes of 20 February 2014. Approval proposed by Joy Chamberlain Seconded by John McAlley. All agreed.	
4.	Matters arising not on the agenda: CS- No response to email sent to PW regarding CCCF study for new houses in rural areas and request for people to sit on a working group panel.	
5.	Eileen Howat – Chief Executive of South Ayrshire Council: EH introduced herself explaining she has been in this post 1 year and has been visiting Community Councils to get an idea of issues in each area. EH was asked questions by Community Councillors and	

	<p>members of the public:</p> <p>Q. J McA – Road maintenance policy – council has a roads safety plan but not maintenance.</p> <p>A. EH – there will be a plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CS – Re roads meeting with Kevin Braidwood (KB) – Mike Newall did not attend. KB reported there are no funds available. <i>EH– There is limited budget with priorities first.</i> • J McA – Poor quality repairs are being done which is a waste of money. J McA took photos of the repairs done to the Muck road, no response has been received regarding these. Bridge repair is a good job. Has been advised SAC is going round checking roads but no work seems to materialise from this. JC – no road markings at all on sections of the road. J McA Q. How dangerous does road have to become before something is done. <i>A. EH – There isn't sufficient money to bring roads up to conditions people would like them to be.</i> • CW – pointed out CC was previously told shoddy repairs would not be done, but still are. CP – Better links are needed between water and road departments e.g. there is water constantly running at Hallowchapel which is causing damage to the road. J McA – Road surface outside Girvan is breaking up. CS – Is structure of road fit for purpose re heavy traffic etc and impact caused to local businesses. The number of accidents on the road is high. <i>EH – Has no answers – might be useful to get someone down to speak to CC. Perhaps new head of services. EH will follow this up.</i> • CW – Explained the implications of future Assel Valley Wind Farm given the go ahead regarding road works (widening at Glendrissaig), will roads department maintain this? • CP – Tralorg has got the go ahead for 8 turbines. CP - gave details of the turbines and informed that the Scottish Wildlife Trust had submitted a strong objection. Minution application has gone to appeal to the Scottish Government. Area is Ayrshire Alps now. SAC is promoting this; concern was expressed over roads condition for bikes. RM – Barriers between Ash cottage and Railway Bridge was previously asked for and needed, has not yet been done. CS - a partial barrier was put up. Recent car crashes happened where there was no barrier. J McA explained the barrier can be done. RM expressed the need to maintain the Railway for Barrhill residents. CP 	<p>EH</p> <p>EH</p>
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	<p>advised the line between Glasgow and Stranraer is commended as most profitable in Scotland. A discussion took place re barriers and crashes. <i>EH will take issues raised back and follow them up.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A copy of questions put to David Anderson was given to EH. • JMcA on behalf of PW- PW asked for it to be noted the reason why stretch of road round Ash cottage is being repaired and not the road through the village. The reason given is because of the number of accidents at that corner. 	
6.	<p>Regular Reports:</p> <p>SAC Elected Member John McDowall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J McD – owing to the slope outside Pinwherry hall exceeding H&S requirements, SAC workers will no longer maintain this site. • It is proposed to trim the top and bottom of the slope with the centre area to be planted with wild flowers. J McD advised of another 11 sites identified as not complying with health and safety requirements. • CP advised, Thea Pettigrew visited the Garden Club and explained the wild flower idea. • Roads – Wind farm development, RP email. KB advised he met with RP & J McA on 16 Feb 2014 and answered questions at that time. It is up to the developer to contact SAC regarding roads to be used. There have been no discussions with the wind farm developer and SAC as yet. J McA - If wind farm developers don't contact SAC nothing will be done. J McD – as part of conditions they are required to do this before next stage of development. Wind farm developers have to contact SAC before operational development commences. • J McD – Roads service plan will be brought up at meeting tomorrow, J McD is going to emphasise the need for a proper agreement for road maintenance. • CP – asked who is policing planning applications as Markhill turbines were put in wrong places. • CW – Local people were supposed to be involved in discussion on planning process and local involvement. J McD advised inviting KB and new Heads of Roads Services along to a CC meeting to make him aware of all roads issues. <p>SAC Link Officer Louise Fyfe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter from bus breakdown - broken parts were left at the viaduct where the breakdown occurred. Stagecoach was made aware of this and offered to come and 	

	<p>remove it.</p> <p>Treasurer Mike Chamberlain:</p> <p>£7616.96 in bank £10,990 School House budget. MC asked whether to keep the School House budget in CC account or move it to another account. No decision was made.</p> <p>Small Grants Scouts HH -Carbon monoxide alarms including mail drop. MC spoke to contractor who is still willing to do this.</p> <p>Secretary: No report</p>	
7.	<p>Wind farm updates/developments: CW – Altermannoch Windfarm liaison meeting, application will be put forward in December (put back from June). Tralorg was granted planning permission. CW will try to find out dates for access for this.</p>	CW
8.	<p>Roads: It would be useful if the local people who write to newspapers join the PPCC roads sub group. J McA – advised a pot hole just past the newly resurfaced part of road was not filled until it was brought to the attention of KB. It was questioned whether or not someone checks work done. DL – diversion signs were up when the chips were put down at Barbae. J McA asked J McD – who is responsible for diversion signs? J McD answered, SAC. CS – as said at previous meetings, there is no weight restrictions on the road because it is an A road, also diversion road for the A77. The road needs upgraded to meet the standards required.</p>	
9.	<p>Pinwherry School/2 Pins update/ Forum Update: No reports.</p>	
10.	<p>Any other business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heap of black tar chippings on 2 Pins site was put there to be used as surface for a temporary car park. • CP – Requested news for 2 Pins website to keep it fresh. <p>There being no other business the meeting was closed at 8.45pm.</p>	

	DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 17 April 2014 @ 7.30PM IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY HALL	
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Minutes approved: Louise Fyffe
David Logan

Last meeting February 20th 2014