Pinwherry & Pinmore Community Council

Minutes of PPCC Business Meeting held on Thursday 16 November 2017 in Pinwherry Community Hall

Agenda		Action
1. Sederunt		
Community Councillors Anne Berry (AB) David Logan (DL) Hal Maxwell (HM) Ian Yellowlees (IY)	South Ayrshire Council (SAC) Ian Fitzsimmons (IF), Councillor Chris Campbell (CC), Link Officer	
PPCDA/2Pins Rep None	Members of Public Linda Boyd (LB) James Stewart (JS)	
Minutes: Irene Climie (IC)		
HM commenced the meeting by stating that for this and subsequent meetings, he would be doing the finance section at the end. This was because the discussion may be sensitive rather than confidential.		
HM said that there appeared to be confusion over the rules which we have to comply with.		
The minutes have been recorded in the order as on the Agenda, rather than the order in which items were dealt with on the night.		
2. Apologies:		
Apologies were received from Mike Chamberlain, Veronica Norman and John McAlley.		
3. Declaration of interest:		
No declaration of interest was received.		
4. Open Forum:		
HM asked about the annual financial report to the public.		
CC said that this would be on the South Ayrshire Council (SAC) website.		
HM said that he did not want to produce anything too heavy but on a periodic basis. He felt this could go in the Stinchar Valley magazine.		

CC pointed out that although PPCC got an admin grant from SAC, they could also claim windfarm money.

HM indicated that, although there were rules to follow, meetings were open to the public and he did not want to hide it.

MC stated that detailed info had been sent to SAC.

LB asked why Barrhill was so successful?

CC responded by saying that MC had done a survey, which showed all residencies. This showed that Pinmore & Pinwherry was very spread out and therefore it was difficult to make into a single community.

IY agreed and said that there was no HUB.

MC said that were 135 households.

5. a) Minutes of Meeting of 23 October 2017:

The minutes were proposed, and seconded, subject to an agreed amendment, by DL and IY.

b) Minutes of Meeting of 23 October 2017:

There were no Subcommittee meetings to report on.

6. Matters arising

a) Funding Guidelines

HM had circulated Funding Guidelines which showed that PPCC is responsible for the allocation of funds received from a variety of sources, namely: Carrick Futures, Hadyard Hill windfarm, Kilgallioch windfarm, Assel Valley windfarm and Tralorg windfarm. They also received an administration grant from South Ayrshire Council to defray the costs of running the community council. The guidelines also showed the different grant funding categories and the procedure to be followed.

- b) Update to grant application form
- c) Data Protection

HM reported he had received Data Protection forms. These were required as VN + AB had been co-opted as members.

7. Presentations

The guests for the evening were Mark Bradley (MB) and Dawn Campbell (DC) from First Responders (FRs).

DC explained that 999 calls might be diverted to them in cases of cardiac arrest, difficulty in breathing or choking. The FRs would carry O₂, tubes and defibrillator. By the end of January, there would be fifteen FRs fully trained.

LB wondered about more streamlined training. MB said there were three

people to carry out the admin in the West of Scotland.

HM said there were four days training available.

AB thought this was a big responsibility.

DC said that she operated a meet & greet at training. The group members were all getting to know each other.

HM said that he had offered help through the Locality Planning group to support the course work and skills.

AB wondered if it was stressful if potential FRs had not dealt with these situations before.

DC assured her that on training nights, there was privacy to ensure that individuals were able to ask questions.

DC said there was a need for some publicity to get more potential FRs on board and to reassure the public they had nothing to fear from them.

LB asked about the contact details.

HM said that the noticeboards showed where the resources were. In addition, the ambulance controller could talk through what was to be done.

MB reported that the first two kits had arrived.

8. Correspondence:

- a) Green Power Environmental Statement Second Addendum ref to Millenderdale Wind Farm nr Lendalfoot. This was requested by SAC and be downloaded from the company website – http://greenpowerinternational.com/current-projects/millenderdale-windfarm/
- b) Pinwherry & Pinmore Community Association re: Remembrance Day wreath and Community Council attendance. HM had received an email from Morag Campbell who pointed out that there had not been a wreath from PPCC on Remembrance Day. This had been a long-standing order.
- c) LIL-DEM Stakeholder Report for information. A report had been commissioned by Napier University.

CC said this was essential information for new Community Council members and Codes of Conduct for elected members.

9. Reports

a) Police Report

Derek Aitken (DA) reported that he was back in Girvan to oversee all community police officers. He said that he knew the area well as he had been a Police Constable in Girvan.

DA reported:

- that there had been no crimes in the PPCC area from 16 Oct to 12 Nov.
- there had been in a Fraud Awareness event sponsored by RBS in Girvan.
- Community Speed Watch the community were in possession of speed detection hardware to monitor the roads within local areas. The details of vehicles had been passed to the police. On being questioned on this, DA said that there was to be no interaction with the driver e.g. no warnings given.

AB remarked that there was no pavement and so people were walking on the road.

IY felt that the windfarms were a big problem regarding speeding lorries.

b) Treasurer's Report

HM produced a note of the balances as of November 2017 as given to him by MC. MC had said there was an overrun of £12292 and advised that they needed to get this figure under £10,000:

Community Council	2087.53
Carrick Futures Small Grants Fund	6136.61
Hadyard Hill Small Grants Fund	6158.91
Minute Secretary	878.44
Kilgallioch Benefit Fund	75229.28
Layby Maintenance	981.52
Total in bank	92472.29
Assel Valley Benefit Fund	29633.57
Grand Total	122105.86

The figures were accepted by those present as accurate

Regarding winter fuel payments, as a way of reducing the balance. HM was concerned that direct payments to individuals would not fit in. He could not see how Scottish Power Renewables made decisions as they were able to give to areas of disadvantage.

IY felt that it was not a reason for doing it just because they could. He argued that they were going to need funds if the 2 Pins project went ahead.

HM felt they should go for legacy projects that the community could be proud of.

c) Link Officer's Report

CC reported that the community payback team had been working at the monument, which they had realised was a big job. The area had been very overgrown but had now been cleared.

CC informed the meeting that the team would not do what the Council's responsibility was. He said that the Community Council could ask for help. The

team would not do litter-picking due to traffic issues.

LB stated that visitors were complaining about the state of the villages.

HM said that he knew Kennedy's Keep at Ballantrae was in poor condition, but the farmer had put up a sign.

CC pointed out that PPCC had to ask for help.

d) Pinwherry & Pinmore Community Development Association Report

e) 2 Pins Company Report

PW was not present to speak to the above two items. HM reported that further plans for a 2 Pins Centre had been put forward but they were still waiting for a bid in partnership which had been delayed. A report had been sent to the Big Lottery.

f) Girvan & South Carrick Locality Planning Group Report

HM informed the meeting about the Participatory Budgeting event which had taken place on 28 October. This had taken the form of a market stall in the morning and bigger projects in the afternoon.

g) Elected members Report

IF reported that all groups were working on their budgets.

IF reported that Altercannoch Wind Farm had been refused planning permission today.

On the 15th November, IF had attended a police Crime Prevention Panel.

HM asked about the possibility of a community skip and IF said he would find this out.

CC said that he had inquired about the pavement but IF stated that Ayrshire Roads Alliance (ARA) had turned it down.

IY pointed out that there was no statutory obligation and there was no budget.

HM informed IF that Veronica Norman wanted notices about dog fouling at the ends of the village. There was also a derelict site – at The Old Creamery – with unsightly netting. The building was deemed to be in dangerous condition.

AB noted that a bin had come off near the Pottery and was blowing over so needed fixing.

10. Planning Matters

There were no issues under this item.

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11. Roads Matters

IY said the bridge had now been repaired.

CC stated that if the repair was not done in 48 hours, ARA could claim that they did not have the ability to check all roads. The public could report all potholes, ideally with photos.

12. Any Other Competent Business

a) Membership of Carrick Futures (CF).

HM said that he had raised the issue of membership with Roger Pirrie (RP) who had told him that there were no vacancies.

HM also said that he had spoken to Cara of Foundation Scotland (FS) at the Participatory Budgeting event to get more clarity.

IY said that CF could have ten members from each community and asked if there were any PPCC members wishing their names put forward. HM, IY and AB said they would be interested and MC said that he was already on.

HM said he would pass this on to PW of PPCDA to see if Chris Saunders (CS) wanted to carry on.

13. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 25th January at 19.30

14. Funding Bids

- a) Review of decisions taken at meeting on 23 October
- b) Adventure Centre for Education

HM wanted to examine a list of costs as there was a discrepancy of £3,000 with an in-kind contribution of £2,500. ACE was now asking for £1,500.

After discussion it was decided to ask ACE who else they had approached for funding.

The meeting finished at 21:30.