

# Saline and Steelend Community Council

## Minute of Meeting of 29.11.11 in Saline Community Centre

### 1. Present

Jim Hensman (chair) John Crane (vice chair), Marie Crane (treasurer), Isobel Menzies, Irene Wardell, Donald Murdoch, Joan Featherstone, Liz Crabbie, Muriel Philips, Craig Mitchell, Kay Jackson, John Lyon, Mark Baugh, Till Kroeber, Helga Corp, Jean Alexander, Cllr Bobby Clelland

### 2. AGM: Election of Office Bearers

Cllr Bobby Clelland chaired the election of office bearers

Chair: Jim Hensman proposed by John Crane, seconded by Donald Murdoch

Vice Chair: John Crane proposed by Irene Wardell, seconded by Joan Featherstone

Secretary: Dave Quinney proposed by Helga Corp, seconded by John Crane

Treasurer: Marie Crane proposed by Muriel Philips, seconded by Donald Murdoch

Minute Secretary: Donald Murdoch proposed by Jim Hensman, seconded by Joan Featherstone

Planning Convener: Joan Featherstone proposed by John Crane, seconded by Donald Murdoch

### Business Meeting

#### 1. Chair's Opening

The chair welcomed all to the meeting and thanked Cllr Clelland for his assistance at the AGM

#### 2. Apologies

Cllr W Walker MSP, David Chisholm, Dave Quinney, Kate Stewart

#### 3. Minute of 25.10.11

Proposed by Muriel Philips, seconded by John Crane

#### 4. Matters arising

It was noted that notices relating to speed reduction measures on Oakley Road had been posted

#### 5. Treasurer's Report

Marie Crane submitted a financial report on the bonfire event. All bills have been paid apart from insurance. It was agreed that profits from the last two years should be ring fenced for next year's event.

It was agreed that £100 should be paid towards a Christmas tree. John Lyon indicated that Saline Environmental Group would also contribute. It was noted that new lights had had to be bought following vandalism last year and it was agreed that Jim Hensman should be reimbursed. It was also agreed that any damage this year should be reported to the Police and claimed against insurance

Action

MC/JH

## 6. Planning

There are no current planning applications of any note but the application to erect wind turbines at Steelend Farm has been withdrawn.

There is still concern about the condition of Loch Road and Fife Council's decision not to require improvement. It was noted that the road belongs to Lord Elgin and it was agreed that the secretary should write to him.

Concern has been expressed by residents off the Saline to Blairingone road concerning a proposed equestrian centre. This relates to the possibility of heavy vehicles such as horse boxes using this substandard road. The application site is located within the Perth and Kinross area and a letter has been sent to the Planning Department reflecting these concerns and asking that Fife Council's views be sought.

Donald Murdoch indicated that a meeting had been held regarding new housing proposals as referred to by David Chisholm at the last meeting. The meeting had been productive and David is preparing a paper for discussion at the next community council meeting

DQ

DC

## 7. Secretary's Report

Fife Council has been asked to advise on the gates in the fence at the community centre car park but has yet to reply

In response to a letter regarding Loch Road (see Planning above) Fife Council has confirmed that planning permission at Annfield Cottage was granted subject to conclusion of a legal agreement regarding a contribution towards affordable housing provision  
Transportation has been contacted re traffic speeding through Kinneddar Park and are expected to respond shortly

Fife Council has been contacted about traffic speeds through Upper Steelend. The response is that the road does not meet the criteria to justify a reduced speed limit.

However, there is a possibility that improved warning signs will be installed

The road to Comrie Colliery from Kinneddar Park had been used by HGVs until a new access was constructed. Cars and light vehicles will continue to use the road but will be restricted to 20mph

## 8. AOCB

- Anti-social behaviour at Curling Ha' has resulted in complaints and will be raised at the Police Liaison meeting. Cllr Clelland will take the matter up if contacted by the complainers. Jim Hensman said that he would pay a visit to the Community police at Oakley
- Jim Hensman met Hayley Williamson from Environmental Services who would be prepared to explain future bin collection arrangements. It was agreed that she be invited to a future meeting and that this be advertised in the Community Bulletin
- Mark Baugh asked about the possibility of a web site. This will be discussed at the next meeting of the Communications Group of the Community Futures exercise
- Jim Hensman suggested that future minutes should include an "Action " column
- The road at Upper Steelend is in poor condition after being dug up several times by Scottish Water. The secretary will investigate
- It was noted that the derelict hotel was being used by teenagers and concerns about danger. Jim Hensman agreed to raise this with the Police
- It was noted that the Saline Heritage Society meeting was on 30<sup>th</sup> November with a talk by Elizabeth Adam on the Adams of Blairadam. This promised to be an interesting event

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JH

- John Crane highlighted the need to ensure that residents in outlying areas like Dunduff are kept informed of community council activities. He added that Dunduff residents still hold meetings in Steelend Club and that community council members are welcome to attend.

### **9. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 31st January 2012 at 7.30pm in Saline Community Centre.