

Culross Community Council
Minute of Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Council on
Wednesday 25th May 2011 in Bessie Bar Tea Room

Present:

Cllr David Alexander
Cllr Clare Short
Cllr Jeanie Carwardine
Cllr Robert Nelson
Cllr Diane MacKenzie
Cllr George Connolly
Cllr Roy McCormack
Shirley Teggins (Planning Applicant)
Campbell Reid (Architect)

Apologies Submitted:

Cllr Martin McNair

The meeting started at: 815pm Cllrs David Alexander in the Chair.

- 250 leaflets were printed and delivered in CCC area (some displayed around village in shop, notice board, bus stop etc)- inviting residents to comment on planning application at Consultation Evenings (Tues & Wed 24th & 25th May).
- Result: 27 Object, 19 Supports, 2 Neutral. 4 were disqualified (2 for being outside boundary, 1 for being under 18 and 1 for supplying no name and address). All online comments were assessed; all duplicate entries and unknown contributors were excluded: only one online comment was included in count as a local resident.
- Objectors expressed concerns with the design of the new build which they thought would be out of character with its historic surroundings and that its proposed usage would exacerbate the parking problems in the village.
- Supporters cited an increase and enhancement of tourism and increased employment opportunities.
- For impartiality reasons, CCC members decided not to take part in the consultation process.
- David agreed to submit results to Fife Council.

AOCB:

- 1) Shirley was asked if she would like to comment on the fairness of the consultation process. She replied that she would discuss it with her husband and provide her opinions in writing in due course.
- 2) George read out a personal statement praising the efforts and impartiality of CCC in the consultation process. George went on to say he thought CCC should support the development.
- 3) Diane wanted it to be put on record that she felt her integrity was questioned by the applicant who had taken a photograph of the comment box. The applicant had also noted she had not been given the opportunity to sign the tape covering the comment box.
- 4) Shirley stated that Diane had misunderstood her intention in taking the photograph, and it was not Shirley's intention to cast doubt on Diane's integrity.

The meeting ended at 9.15pm

This minute was APPROVED by the Council at the meeting held on 6th June 2011 but was subsequently AMENDED following the Extraordinary Meeting held on 11th July 2011.

The amended minute of the meeting held on 25th May 2011 and the minute of the extraordinary meeting held on 11th July 2011 were both APPROVED by the Council at the meeting held on 12th September 2011.