

DUNURE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday 21st February 2006 in the Kennedy Hall.

SEDERUNT: Mr Adam Montgomerie (Chair), Mrs Jean McGinn (Secretary), Mr Roy Storie (Treasurer), Mr John Eaglesham, Mr Andrew Guthrie.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs Alison Houghton (Link Officer), Councillor Alan Murray, Mr Philip Findlay, Dr John Ferguson.

1. APOLOGIES: Mr D Broadhead, Mrs D Gardiner, P C John Hamil.

2. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Proposed by Mr John Eaglesham.
Seconded by Mr Andrew Guthrie.

3. MATTERS ARISING:

PUMPING STATION, SEAVIEW: Dawn McDermott, Scottish Water, has advised by email that Paul Maxwell has now moved on and Project Manager is Mr Charles Paul. The delay in getting this project started lies in problems with planning and land purchase via National Trust Agreement. There has still not been a site visit by planning to the proposed pumping station site at Seaview. Residents are concerned about road closures and she confirms there will be issues here owing to road layout. When we know date for Gala Day we should advise them. Construction work may not start for another two months. She hopes to attend March meeting and will update us at that time.

TOILETS: South Ayrshire Council have now agreed to let Mrs Guthrie open toilets daily and this will be reviewed in September. We will discuss this at our August meeting to see if these toilets can be kept open during the winter. Mr Stratton McDonald is intending to install a RADAR key, which enables disabled access throughout even if toilets closed.

POT HOLES: Some have been repaired but Mr Storie suggests there is a problem with the product used as some of the repaired holes are beginning to break up once again. The pavement in Carrick Place is being resurfaced.

SEAVIEW ACCESS: There has been a further letter from Mr Rankin to which Councillor Murray will reply.

SHRUBS TO BE CUT BACK: This will be done in due course.

PLAY EQUIPMENT IN PARK: Work on renewing equipment has been ongoing.

WATER MAIN IN STATION ROAD: GMJV, the contractors, assure us this will be completed in due course.

4. POLICE REPORT: P C John Hamil sends his apologies and reports no crimes in the area during the last month. However, there are reports of "sneak in" thefts in the surrounding areas and suggests everyone should bear this in mind.

5. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT: At Mr Eaglesham's comment on muddy entrance to play area, Councillor Murray suggests we wait and see the finished result as this may be rectified. Councillor Murray has received a letter from BBC setting out the timescale for Digital television, and a resume of this will be placed in notice boards. Basically the village will not receive this until 2010, though it may be accessed through Sky.

A note from Energy Agency that they would be agreeable to attend either Community Council meeting or other with details of grants, etc.

Re the problem with blue bins - no cardboard should now be put in brown bin, and it is felt that to change the brown for a green bin during the Christmas week would cause too much confusion. Perhaps in a year or so all organic kitchen waste may be put in brown bins.

Litter - Council responsible for A77 but considering passing this to Scottish Executive and trunk road maintenance. Due to budget paring less litter picking will be implemented but A719 will be litter picked in the near future. Mr Eaglesham asked that a bin be placed in lay-by north of cemetery. Councillor Murray will get someone from South Ayrshire Council to look at Anchorage Car Park where it seems rubbish is being burned illegally.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT:

New Hall Account stands at **£2438.14**. By our next meeting we will decide on annual donations.

Administrative Account Balance: **£626.83** of which £148.82 is balance of Home Front grant. (This will be spent on a bag for laptop, printer and USB Cable for it).

The Website renewal fee of **£63.45** has been paid.

7. CORRESPONDENCE:

Letter from WRVS asking for donations.

Dogs Trust: Poster displayed.

Scottish Parliament: Commonwealth Games Bid - Petition.

Marine Conservation Society: Looking for donations.

Southern Uplands Partnership: Newsletter & Option to become Group Member.

South Ayrshire Council: By-Election.

South Ayrshire Council: Tenants & residents Forum - meeting 8 March.

Scottish Executive: Planning Advice Note on Community Engagement.

Scottish Parliament: Tough New Laws for Safer Streets.

Banks: Letter answering our queries from meeting.

Association of S A C Community Councils: Minutes for Roy.

Teenrek.

Postwatch Scotland: Newsletter.

Bsg: Leaflets Interpretation Panels & Notice Boards.

Maybole Resource Centre: Community Group Evaluation.

Letter from Mr Rankin.

Association of Community Councils: Pamphlets & Stickers.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Change of use plus alterations & extension to public bar to form hotel - The Anchorage.

Dunduff Farm - Outline planning permission for erection of dwelling house.

PERMITTED: Mr J Gemmell, Dunduff - erection of agricultural shed.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Mr Storie had commented on the splendid work Mrs Guthrie was doing in clearing litter and all members agreed.

Dr Ferguson expressed his concern re planning application for house built on the hillside in the vicinity of two historic sites. Councillor Murray and Dr Ferguson will consult with planning over this.

Mrs George (as a horse rider) feels there is an increase in traffic on A719 since the introduction of speed cameras on A77 south. Councillor Murray states there is no indication that the traffic is any heavier now.

The walk protesting against A & E closures will take place on Saturday 25 February and Mr Guthrie and Mr Montgomerie will represent Dunure Community Council.

A copy of HJBanks planning application to South Ayrshire Council has been received, and the photomontage studied. Mr Storie is still not happy about the view of the wind turbines from Electric Brae and will submit a letter to planning with a copy to HJBanks.

Secretary advised the lease for Kennedy Hall & Park was now almost ready to be signed (commenced on 23 May 2003 for 20 years).

There has been an issue with parking at the closed park gate when access was restricted owing to a car parked across the gate. It was suggested a sign of some sort might be placed to keep clear at all times. Councillor Murray will look into this but feels it may be ignored anyway.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm and the next meeting will be on Tuesday 21st March 2006 at 7.30pm in the Kennedy Hall, Dunure.