

# CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Meeting on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Apologies:

1. Concerns of Village Residents and AOCB
2. Minutes of Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> October 2008
3. Matters Arising
  - Carr-Bridge Primary School 'Outdoor Shelter' Project
  - Granite slab in DR's garage
  - Time capsule and plaque in Reed Court [DR and SB](#)
  - Riverside Walk - [SB](#)
  - Old marquee and £80 outstanding
  - Container for Community Council use
  - Carr-bridge Ahead
  - Standing Water on Aviemore Road ?HC funding
  - Matters Outstanding (no discussion needed unless new information)
    - Village Hall Funding
    - Community newsletter
    - Red Squirrels – progress on bridges
    - Cars parked outside Hotel blocking pavement
    - Southern entrance to Village - rocks
4. Treasurer's report [FMcM](#)
5. Planning Applications          New applications
6. Police Report
7. Christmas Tree, Lights and Party 17th December
8. Porridge Championships
9. Secretary's Report          Glenkirk Wind Farm
  - Letter Fergus Ewing re Speyside Way
  - Community Works Assistant
  - Training re Community Council Elections 11 March 2009
  - Highland Libraries – High Societies website
  - Ward Forum notes
  - Notes on HC Road Maintenance
  - Items available for reading    NHS Highland – Team Update
10. Date of next meeting: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

# CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2008, in the Village Hall after the AGM  
Action points in red

**Present:** Scott Bruce (in the chair), Kate Adamson, Lara Campbell, Robert McInnes, Fiona McMullen, Carol Ritchie, David Ritchie  
Stuart Black, Catriona Jennings, Mary Kinnaird, Barbara Kuwall, Mary Langridge,  
Community development officers: Karen Derrick and Ron Mercer

**Apologies:** Pete Carson

## Community Development Officers

Karen Derrick and Ron Mercer gave presentation on 'Our Community – A Way Forward'. Pilot project looking at 4 Communities (Grantown, Dulnain Bridge, Cromdale and Advie) has been completed. A Community Assessment was performed in each of these four being led by the individual community – not by an agency. Reports were produced for each of them, and priorities for action established. The Community Planning Partnership (CPP) then assisted with the identification of funding to ensure that these actions were carried out. Where an action could not be taken forward, that had to be fed back to the Community with the reasons

The CPP is now looking for about three other communities to follow the same process – see attached letter from VABS who are leading it.

We all agreed that this process was necessary in Carr-bridge, particularly in view of the Village Hall and ?renovation ? new build. However concern was expressed that the volunteers willing to lead it may not be available. It should be groups other than the Community Council who are involved as well

## Concerns of Residents

Pavements up Station Road not cleared/gritted Reed Court and Station Road were not gritted, and nor were the pavements. Carr Place was also very poor

## Minutes of meetings 25<sup>th</sup> September 2008

Have been circulated. and were accepted as a correct record

## Matters Arising

Carr-Bridge Primary School 'Outdoor Shelter' Project Progressing

Granite slab now at DR's Roads Department asked DR to go back to Planners, who have now decided they need 5 copies of the plans plus a fee of £72.50, having originally said planning not required!

Time Capsule and Plaque, Reed Court Progressing

Cars Parked outside Hotel blocking pavement and alterations to Triangle Slow progress

Riverside Walk Application to Cairngorms Leader in progress **SB**

Christmas Lights Forestry Officer, now Will Anderson, has agreed to leave tree on triangle the last week in November so lights can be installed first week in December. **SB** to talk to John Beaton to see if there can be formal 'switch-on' by SBlack

Old marquee and £80 outstanding Still not received. **FMcM** now has phone number for client

Container for Community Council use No information

Carr-Bridge Ahead AGM will be on 18<sup>th</sup> November. KA gave notices to SB, FMcM and LC who have agreed to be Directors. Need 10 for a quorum so everybody encouraged to attend

Standing Water on Aviemore Road With recent low temperatures, area was frozen and a car went off the road. **SBlack** to take to HC

## Treasurer's report

See AGM

## Planning Applications

D.Powell, 2 Bogroy. Detailed planning. No concerns

## Police report

None received. Although we have the name PC Elliot Carroll, we are not sure whether this is the right contact

## Duck race

Accounts with AGM notes

## Christmas Party

Three quotes received: Landmark £15.50 or £16.95 with interesting menus; Carr-bridge Hotel £19.50; Lochanhully £12.95. Concern was expressed about transport to Lochanhully, therefore it was decided on Landmark with the £15.50 menu. Dates to suggest 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> December. Apparently Children's Party is on Monday 15<sup>th</sup>. LC to confirm this date

### **Porridge Championships**

LJolly has been looking for follow-up funding, but understands that Highland 2007 Legacy will not be available as B & S will be supporting Outsider

### **Secretary's report**

Public meetings on Use of Alcohol in public places Meetings to be held in Boat of Garten 17<sup>th</sup> Nov; Kingussie 19<sup>th</sup> Nov; Aviemore 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. KA has put up Notice in Spar shop, and we are grateful for their permission to use their public notice board

Litter Picking and Insurance for Community Councils Email from Sue Palmer; we are covered provided people wear hi-vis clothing and gloves, and get black bags and litter picks from HC. TECS will uplift rubbish

### **Date of next Meeting**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 7.30pm in Village hall

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## **Minutes of AGM held in the Village Hall**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 7.30pm**

Present: Scott Bruce (in the chair), Kate Adamson, Robert McInnes, Fiona McMullen, Carol Ritchie, David Ritchie  
Stuart Black, Catriona Jennings, Mary Kinnaird, Barbara Kuwall, Mary Langridge,  
Community development officers: Karen Derrick and Ron Mercer

Apologies: Lara Campbell, Pete Carson

**Minutes of AGM 25<sup>th</sup> October 2007** have been circulated and displayed in the Post Office both after the meeting and again last week. Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by Fiona McMullen, seconded by David Ritchie, agreed unanimously.

**Matters Arising:** None

### **Chairman's Report**

Over the year your Community Council deals with concerns of village residents and we are lucky that our local Highland Councillor, Stuart Black, attends all our meetings and deals with many of the matters that are raised.

The 2007 Christmas Party was well attended and was a great success and thanks are due to all those who work hard to ensure that it is successful.

This year we have dealt with many issues raised around the village and had several events promoting Carr-Bridge and raising money for local projects. The Duck race raised around £900 towards the various Christmas Parties that the Council helps to fund. The Carrbridge Gathering + Carve Carr-Bridge was again a very successful event and may show a profit of over £8K this year. Other community groups were involved in the day and made useful profits so the overall benefit to the village could be in excess of £10k. It takes a huge amount of effort to organise and manage the event and the Chief of the event, Gavin Gerrard, to whom we are once more indebted for his skilful management of it, is keen to hear from anyone interested in taking on some organisational tasks. Council member Carol Ritchie, who has been involved over the years, has agreed to work with Gavin to take over more of the management of the event but Gavin will still continue to be involved at the top level. The Council is very appreciative of all the hard work that local volunteers put into this and other events to make them the success that they are. Linda Jolly once again excelled in getting great publicity for the World Porridge Championships and secured the services of Miss Scotland to present the prizes. Thanks are due to the judges who give up their free time to attend the competition and judge the quality of the porridge. The Highland Council also gave us grant support towards this event. The Council is indebted to all those involved in our events and especially to Linda who puts in a considerable amount of her own time and professional expertise to ensure the success of all these.

The money raised from events is spent on a wide variety of projects. This year the village will have its own Christmas / Winter lights on the lampposts paid from money put aside from previous Gatherings and a grant of £3000 from the Highland Council discretionary budget. The total cost of fittings and lighting was around £11K and the Highland Council will pay for the electricity used. We are also investigating an upgrade of the Riverside Walk between the old bridge and the Ghurka bridge due to complaints from elderly or infirm tourists who found the path difficult. We may get 'Leader' funding for this or indeed the National Park Authority may take it on however we will have to pay a proportion of the work from our existing funds. It is hoped that work will begin early next year for completion before the summer. Grants were also given to the school for two of their projects this year.

Carrbridge Live, the arts and entertainment event run by Carrbridge Arts, again under Linda's direction, is developing into a recognised and professional festival. This year's event, although over a shorter timescale due to financial constraints, was well received by all those who attended with a variety of events and entertainments throughout the weekend. It is adding to the reputation of the village as a go ahead community and a vibrant place to live so is appreciated by the Council members. Carrbridge Live also receives some financial support from Highland Council.

Our Community Police Officer, PC Ross Polworth, has moved to another area and will therefore no longer attend our meetings. During his time as our Community Officer he kept the Council informed regarding problems in this village and when he couldn't attend he sent in a brief report so we would like to thank him for his efforts on our behalf. We have still to be informed who will take over from him. The members of your council decided against supporting a police request for a new byelaw to prohibit the drinking of alcohol in public places as they thought that there was sufficient police power existing to deal with local problems and that rather than a new law, more strict policing would be more effective.

During the year we were joined by Robert McInnes as a new member of the Council. Robert was born and bred in Carr-bridge and has always taken a keen interest in Community matters so we are delighted to welcome him into our team. We are still looking for new members and anyone interested should contact our Secretary Kate Adamson for information.

### **Treasurer's Report**

FMcM presented the accounts for 2007/8 . Ann Baird kindly audits our accounts, for which we are very grateful. Accounts are attached.

Commenced year with a credit of £17842.78 in bank.

Income breakdown as per attached sheet Total £25,206.10

Expenditure breakdown as per attached sheet. Total £11325.02

Balance as at 15.10.08 £31,723.86

The Duck Race: Income for 2008 £1303.75 with an expenditure of £461.10 – profit £842.65. Not as much as in the previous year – but then we sold the tickets over 3 weekends, as the river was so high. – Ritchies Skip Hire with the ‘Skippy’ donated both their prize money for the corporate duck and the Florence’s Winning duck – a total of £150.00 to Scottish Spina Bifida.

The Gathering: Income of £11376.00 with an expenditure of £2687.20 – difference of £8689.80. However still 1 cheque of £40.07 to clear plus a payment of £300.00 to come in. Also £5.00 to be paid to the Football Club for the electric. Once that has been tidied up the profit from ‘The Gathering’ should be £8944.73 – although this has still to be confirmed with Gavin Gerrard. This is an increase of £3543.07 compared to the previous year. As there was no Novice Prize this year the prize money donated from Landmark of £150.00 will be spent on ‘The Gathering’. I think a special thanks to Landmark at this stage for all their donations towards ‘The Gathering’

The Porridge Competition: Not finalised yet. Part of the income was a grant of £1,400 from the Ward Discretionary Budget.

Christmas Parties: Expenditure of £1214.97 - £1014.97 for Landmark and £200.00 for the Children’s Christmas party.

Advertising: You will notice that £190.00 was paid out twice for the web updating. This was corrected in July 08 when £190.00 was paid back into the account. I paid A. Dickson instead of Carr-bridge Tourist Assoc .

Insurance: This year was £645.26 of which Riverside Bowling paid £290.29.

Misc Items: In March the Community Council along with the International Police Association purchased a Sabre saw for the Carr-bridge Fire and Rescue Unit. The cost was £546.38 and IPA donated £100.00 to-wards it.

The Community Council gave £3044.04 to the Village Hall fund in February 08.

A donation of £470.00 was given to the Carr-bridge Primary School towards purchasing Maths software.

The Community Council also received a grant of £3000 from Highland Council towards the Christmas Lights – these will be purchased next month.

Marquee Hire: Income this year was £140.00 although there is still £80.00 outstanding from ‘The Pony Club’.

It was agreed this year that £2000 would be made available for ‘The Gathering’ and £1,400 for ‘The Porridge’ as community events.

Balance as at 15/10/08	£31723.86
Less unrepresented cheques	- £335.32

Monies on hold for:	
Christmas Lights	£ 10,792.05
Less monies ‘The Gathering’	
And ‘The Porridge’	-£3,400.00

So the balance as at 29/10/08 £17196.49

Acceptance of the accounts proposed by David Ritchie, seconded by Lara Campbell and agreed unanimously.

### **Election of Office Bearers:**

Chairman	Scott Bruce	Proposer KA	Seconder FMcM	Unanimous acceptance
Vice Chairman	David Ritchie	Proposer FMcM	Seconder: CR	“ “

Treasurer Fiona McMullen Proposer SB Seconder: KA “ “  
Secretary Kate Adamson Proposer SB Seconder DR “ “

Planning Representative Pete Carson Proposer: SB Seconder: FMcM

**Any other Competent Business**

Nil

**Meeting finished at 7.55pm**