

CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

Meeting on Thursday 29th January 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Apologies: SBruce, PCarson, KAdamson

Area Commander Police, Donald Henderson. Introduction and Bye Law on Alcohol consumption in Public places

1. Concerns of Village Residents and AOCB
Road and pavement gritting in severe conditions eg Station Road
2. Minutes of Meeting 27th November 2008
3. Matters Arising
Carr-Bridge Primary School 'Outdoor Shelter' Project
Granite slab and Interpretive plaque
Time capsule and plaque in Reed Court DR and SB
Riverside Walk - SB
Old marquee and £80 outstanding
Container for Community Council use (Feb meeting)
Carr-bridge Ahead
Training re Community Council Elections 11 March 2009
Glenkirk Wind Farm
School Flashing Lights
Matters Outstanding (no discussion needed unless new information)
Village Hall Funding Southern entrance to Village - rocks
Community newsletter Red Squirrels – progress on bridges
Cars parked outside Hotel blocking pavement
Standing Water on Aviemore Road
4. Treasurer's report FMcM
5. Planning Applications New applications
6. Police Report
7. Christmas Tree, Lights and Party 17th December
John Beaton has left Lights up to satisfy funders as Grant came from Winter Lighting
8. Porridge Championships
9. Secretary's Report
Donation £400 Lord Reidhaven. KA has sent thanks
Strategic Transport Projects Review – email GGerrard
Review of SSSI Allt Na Feithe (Site of Special Scientific Interest)
Submission of Observations on Planning Applications
Climate Change & the National Forest Estate
Ward Forum notes – emailed out
Association of Scottish Community Councillors meeting 21 March. Anyone want to be Area Rep to ASCC?
Items available for reading Nil
10. Date of next meeting: Thursday 26th February 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall
Apols: K.Adamson

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Minutes of meeting held on Thursday, 27th November 2008, in the Village Hall after the AGM Action points in red

Present: Scott Bruce (in the chair), Kate Adamson, Lara Campbell, Pete Carson, Robert McInnes, David Ritchie
Stuart Black, Barbara Kuwall, Dick and Mary Langridge, Pat and David Wells

Apologies: Fiona McMullen, Carol Ritchie

Glenkirk Wind farm

Dave Wells said that Carr-Bridge is not as involved as Tomatin/ Strathdearn as they have visibility from A9. There will be 31 turbines between the A9 and the Dava.

Tomatin have been assured that local roads would not be used for access. Revised access will be from right hand bend on Inverness side of Tomatin turning, so there will have to be a bridge 185m long across River Findhorn and across the Flood plain. The separation of Planning applications for bridge and for Wind Farm could jeopardise the safety of the decisions. SEPA have already given the CAR licence for the Bridge

Tom na Clach Wind farm close to Glen Kirk is also pending, plus 5 other possible sites in the vicinity

Mr Sakamoto of Eurus Energy has said that discussion with communities should be with people generally not with individuals

The Findhorn Fisheries Board has sent letters of concern to SEPA and to Energies Consent

Discussion Main village concerns are on economic effects on Tourism of the Wind Farm. Many visitors are walkers or bird watchers, and there will be visibility from the higher areas round the village. Carr-bridge will be as affected by the Visibility of turbines for tourists approaching from the North as Tomatin – which is significant as Carr-Bridge's economy is more based on Tourism than that of Tomatin.

In principle, everyone is against the proliferation of Wind Farms and do not wish to 'sell out to the developers'. There may have to be a practical approach when meeting Eurus Energy
(SBlack was unable to take part in this discussion due to Conflict of Interest)

Concerns of Residents

New School Flashing Lights Not easily seen - ? to be brighter. **SBlack** to address

Minutes of meetings 30th October 2008

Have been circulated. Corrections: LJolly was present, and the date of next meeting was 2009 and should have been 2008. With these changes they were accepted as a correct record

Matters Arising

Carr-Bridge Primary School 'Outdoor Shelter' Project Ongoing

Granite slab now at DR's CNPA wanted Interpretation as well as the Plinth, so altered Planning put in. Builder may now also have to change

Time Capsule and Plaque, Reed Court Ongoing

Cars Parked outside Hotel blocking pavement and alterations to Triangle No information

Riverside Walk Application to Cairngorms Leader in progress **SB**. It was noted that the sign by the Garage was broken

Old marquee and £80 outstanding Not known in FMcM's absence

Container for Community Council use For February meeting

Carr-Bridge Ahead AGM held, Directors appointed. Meeting to be held early next year

Standing Water on Aviemore Road This was sorted within 3 days of last meeting due to SBlack's persistence

Treasurer's report

Received accounts

Planning Applications

No notifications

Police report

Not received

Christmas Tree, Lights and Christmas Party

DR will organise tree to be put up. PC will ask Colin if we can have drinks in Hotel after the lights are turned on for first time. LC suggested that Notes were put in School

Porridge Championships

We need to have discussion on future – looking at Sustainability and Funding. Copy of letter from Maggie's on file

Secretary's report

Letter Fergus Ewing re Speyside Way Walk along Speyside Way with Fergus Ewing to see concerns 12th Dec
Community Works Assistant Now is Lyn Johnson, based in TEC Services. Phone: 01540 664910.

Tasks covered: Dog Warden, Litter Warden, Fly Tipping, Abandoned vehicles, Pest Control (domestic properties)

Training re Community Council Elections 11 March 2009 Training will be on Wed 11th March. SB, KA and LC cannot attend.

Highland Council next round of Community Council Elections is due to be held by May 2009, and Sue Palmer is looking for a date in April

Highland Libraries – High Societies website Interactive with contact information for groups, clubs and societies

Ward Forum notes Circulated

Notes on HC Road Maintenance Notes plus Contact details

Any Other Competent Business

Recycling SBlack: Small Waste energy plant for Skye and Lochaber, and HC are looking at other small plants

Reducing, reusing and recycling is now 37% in B & S. It is 51% in Nairn

David Ritchie is up to 96% for commercial waste

Difficulty of volatile prices for recycled goods

SWAN Local agent Robert McInnes volunteered to be local agent – will have couple of compost bins to hand out

Cinema in Aviemore a possibility. Concern about prices for locals as MacDonalds may discount their customers.

General support for cinema as long as it remains open at time of Conferences

Rowan Park revised plan for development It was reported that 5M strip of land along boundary of Rowan Park has been removed – so gardens will be back to back

Roads/Transport Manager HC Iain Wallace is recovering quite well after his RTA. The Community Council sent him their good wishes

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