

## MILNATHORT AND ORWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Draft minutes of the AGM and monthly meeting held via Zoom on October 8, 2020

**In attendance:-**Cllrs Craig Williams (chairman); Elizabeth Rougvie (secretary) and Sean Colebourn (treasurer); Kevin Heneghan (associate member) and two members of the public. PKCllr Willie Robertson joined the meeting later, along with another member of the public. Apologies were received from Cllr Malcolm Thomson (vice chairman) and PKCllr Callum Purves.

#### **AGM:-**

**Minutes of previous meeting:** The minutes of the previous AGM were proposed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Colebourn.

**Chairman's report:** Cllr Williams reported as follows: 'I have pleasure in remarking on what is the 5<sup>th</sup> AGM of Milnathort and Orwell Community Council.

'The last year has been challenging in respect of the global pandemic of COVID 19; which has impacted on all our lives in so many ways.

'Andrew McCrae, Malcolm Thomson and Liz Rougvie joined the ranks of Community Councillors in the last year and we welcome their input .

'Derek Flory and Caroline Flory left the ranks to focus on their retirement and we wish them all the best in the future.

'The Pitdownies site was probably the most talked about issue in the year. The Scottish Government Reporter has issued a note of intention to uphold the appeal by Springfield. He's due to issue his final decision at the end of October, but unless they don't comply with the conditions he's laid down, the development will go ahead. This despite more than 160 objections and an impassioned presentation by Kevin Heneghan on behalf of the Pitdownies Action Group (in conjunction with MCC) and by Callum Purves. All relevant info can be found at the DPEA website.

'As always, our local elected Perth & Kinross Councillors have been working away on our behalf. I feel sure they often share our despair and frustration with the continuing housing developments within Kinross-shire.

'As before, I encourage more members of the public to attend meetings (often ZOOM) as the experiences of the Community Councillors can be a thankless task if no members show an interest.'

**Treasurer's report:** Cllr Colebourn advised that there was nothing unexpected in terms of income and expenditure. The full details will be available once the accounts have been certified by the examiner.

**Election of office-bearers:** The new office bearers were elected as follows:-

Chairman: Malcolm Thomson, nominated by Cllr Rougvie and seconded by Cllr Colebourn.

Secretary: Andy McCrae, nominated by Cllr Colebourn and seconded by Cllr Williams.

Treasurer: Sean Colebourn, nominated by himself and seconded by Cllr Williams.

The role of vice chairman remains vacant for the time being. It was noted that both Cllr Williams and Cllr Rougvie have resigned from their positions but will stay on as CC members until December, by which time it's hoped more members will have been recruited. Two members of the public expressed an interest and it was agreed to send them nomination forms with a view to co-option.

A new data controller will also have to be appointed and this will be done in due course.

#### **Monthly meeting:-**

**Police matters:** There was nothing of relevance to report but there followed a brief discussion about speeding motorists and the effectiveness, or otherwise, of 20mph zones.

**Minutes of the previous meeting:** The minutes of the September meeting were proposed by CClr Colebourn and seconded by CClr Williams.

#### **Issues raised by the public:-**

- Broken handrail: Part of the handrail at the steps leading from the track to Burleigh Sands is missing. The secretary will contact PKClr Robertson.

#### **Email correspondence:**

- Minutes of the Kinross-shire and Glenfarg Stronger Communities Group. Noted.
- Details of Barnado's Emergency Welfare Fund. Noted.
- Launch of Perth and Kinross Council's Adult Learning Hub. Noted.
- Survey from the Local Government and Communities Committee seeking views on participation requests and asset transfers. Closes October 23. Noted.
- Call for ideas for the Social Renewal Advisory Board. Closes October 16. Noted.
- Robertson Trust has announced a £200 million fund for charities and community organisations to tackle poverty and trauma over the next 10 years. Noted following brief discussion.

#### **Planning matters:-**

Applications submitted:

- Residential development comprising the demolition of agricultural buildings, erection of two replacement houses and five houses; alterations, extensions and reinstatement of two houses and erection of garage, installation of pumping station, alterations to access road, formation of play park, footpath link, temporary bridge and associated works at Hattonburn Farm (20/01245/FLL). Noted.
- Alterations and extension to Hattonburn Lodge (20/01203/FLL). Noted.
- Alterations to garage at Benygow (20/01170/FLL/). Noted.

Applications decided:

- Extension to house and alterations to boundary wall at 14 Burleigh Road (20/00990/FLL). Approved.
- Alterations and extension to house, formation of vehicular access and hard-standing area at 14 Tillyrie Mains (20/00974/FLL). Approved.
- Change of use and alterations to office/store to form dance studio at 27c Stirling Road (in retrospect; (20/00478/FLL).Approved.
- Application to modify condition 6 (landscaping and access) of permission 15/01502/FLL at Mawcarse Farm (20/00893). Approved.

**AOCB:-**

Remembrance Day service: This is scheduled to take place at noon on November 8, 2020, at Milnathort War Memorial. The secretary will order a wreath on behalf of the community council, which will be laid regardless of any restrictions on outdoor events that may be in force by then.

**Date of next meeting:-** The next meeting of Milnathort and Orwell Community Council will be held via Zoom at 7pm on Thursday, November 12, 2020. Any members of the public wishing to attend can do so by emailing [communitycouncilmilnathort@gmail.com](mailto:communitycouncilmilnathort@gmail.com)