

Boarhills and Dunino Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 21st March 2018 in Boarhills Village Hall

Present: B Simpson Chairman, S Blair Secretary

In attendance: Councillor W Porteous, Councillor L Holt, Deborah Brown, John Brown, Joe Fairbairn, Anne Fairbairn, John Goodwin, Lynne Matthews, Brenda McQueen, Dave McQueen Helen Raeside, Frank Roger, Jimmy Christie Gordon Senior, Louise Rodger.

1. Welcome: The Chair welcomed everyone to the Boarhills and Dunino CC meeting

Apologies: M Frodsham, D Guild, A Chalmers L Drummond, A Cairns, Councillor Docherty

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 17/01/18 –

Delete 1st sentence under item 7 “Street lighting...”

Rather than ask for approval of the very brief notes taken at the last meeting in the absence of the secretary, the Chair suggested he go through each item to ensure accuracy under matters arising

3. Matters Arising -

Kenly Wind Farm – Councillors reported that there has been no further communication

Speeding Traffic on B9131 and A 917 -

Plan is to have speed strips on the respective roads in order to obtain confirmation on the average speed of vehicles using these roads. It was reported that a local farmer had contacted Councillor Porteous and written to both the Council and the police about the excessive use of speed he had witnessed on the B9131, particularly on the stretch leading towards Bell Rock at Station Road. SB reported that one of the local police officers for our area – Gillian Tetlow – has been in touch as she is interested in hearing about all current policing issues from local people. SB will update and invite her to our next meeting.

Road Signage – Boarhills Village

The road signage for the corner of Boarhills village, agreed at the last meeting, has been delivered and now requires to be erected. There was general discussion about speed, safety and the need for access for farm vehicles. Permission was granted from Frank Roger to allow the sign, which was shown to the meeting, to be erected at the corner.

Boarhills Village – Street lighting, trees, abandoned road signs

Street lighting affected by overgrown trees – Mrs Brown raised the issue about cost for dealing with overhanging branches. It was agreed to meet with John Brown to discuss the cutting back of the effected trees. It was reported that the timing of the street lighting in the Old Edinburgh

area of Boarhills village has been out of sink for some considerable time and is on for many daylight hours. Councillor Porteous agreed to deal with this issue.

Dunino – Waste Collection from Church and road surfacing at bridge

The road surfacing at the bridge leading to Dunino Church has been completed and the majority of the cost being shared by two of the local farmers with a percentage being contributed from the Church and the owners of the Manse. It was reported that a waste bin is missing from the Village hall at Dunino - Councillor Holt to action

Grit Bins

The snow plough has been through the main part of the village during the worst of the recent snowfall but it was agreed that as the village is not a propriety area, the grit bins are still required and that the missing bin beside the telephone box should be replaced. The grit bins over the hill, beyond Old Edinburgh, and at the notice board are used when necessary and require to be refilled.

Lynne Matthews asked Councillor Porteous if any feedback had been received from her request to provide a safe passage at Station Road during icy and snowy conditions – this road is now the main access road for schoolchildren attending Kingsbarns Primary School from the Dunino area - the catchments primary school, since Dunino school was closed. No action as yet

The EE /BT project – Frank Roger reported that there had been a technical issue with the equipment, but that he believed that potentially this project was a good solution to our very patchy phone signal. Councillor Porteous agreed to make contact again with BT.

Project with Wade Academy - Councillor Linda Holt spoke about an initiative with senior pupils of Wade Academy who are involved in community projects particularly with older residents in a number of positive ways – any approach to the Headmaster she believed would be welcomed.

East Neuk Tourism Association in connection with V&A Dundee - Councillor Bill Porteous reported that it was Councillor Docherty who was the link person with the East Neuk Tourism Association and believed that there is likely to be additional tourism and wealth generated to this area after the opening of the V&A in the Autumn e.g. Fisheries Museum in Anstruther. There is a ENTA meeting open to all on Wednesday 4th April at 6.30 in Anstruther Town Hall.

3. BDCT update

Louise Roger updated the meeting with the following information – Community postal ballot is to take place in connection with the community land buy out project. Every resident on the electoral role since December 2017 will receive a postal vote. It will be a simple for / against and she reported that there had been a mail drop recently to all households. Daffodil tea on Sunday 25th March 2-5 in Boarhills Village Hall will be hosted by the BDCT team. There will be the opportunity to get more information on the buy out proposal and all the

other BDCT future projects. Valuation of the land has been carried out and she announced this to the meeting - £140,000

She updated the meeting on the various grants that are available and stressed that there will be no cost to residents. A grant of 8k has been granted from the Scottish Land Fund, with 2k allocated for a conservation architect feasibility study on the doocot. Of the 3 estimates they received, they have chosen Simpson and Brown, a firm with much experience who worked on the Crail beehive doocot, East New Hall, and Wormiston House and their doocot. There is a grant available for the business plan which is being carried out by SKS which is essential in requesting a community buy out. Another grant body is Fife Environment Trust – funded by land fill tax - with a specific category for restoration in Fife. They can grant up to 75% of the cost up to maximum 50,000 per year and our trust is eligible to apply. Listed buildings consent will be required if the site is acquired.

Further information is available via a link on the CC website:

<http://www.community-council.org.uk/boarhillsanddunino> and on Boarhills and Dunino

Community Trust Facebook Page:

<http://m.facebook.com/boarhillsanddunino>

4. Cycle path – Crail to St Andrews shared use path

Louise Roger updated the group on the recent progress of this project which is run by Transition St Andrews. This is the aspiration but in the short term the focus is on Fairmont to St Andrews – multi use safe route all off road. Where possible a project such as this is supported by Sustrans. The group are to work on a feasibility study which will be supported by Sustrans. but they need local community support, and have requested that the CC give their support.

5. Next meeting - Wednesday 27th June 2018 at 5.45pm in Boarhills Village Hall.