

Boarhills and Dunino Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 26th August 2016 in Boarhills Village Hall

Present: B Simpson Chairman, M Frodsham Treasurer, D Chalmers, S Blair

In attendance: Councillor D McGregor, Councillor J Docherty, Councillor E Riches, J Gallon, A Cairns, J Fairburn, L Drummond, L Matthews, H Raeside

1. Apologies: D Guild, L Roger

The Chairman welcomed all present

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 27th April 2016 have been displayed on the Boarhills noticeboard but require to be placed on the website (when active) for wider dissemination

3. Matters arising

- **Defibrillator** - Operation Heart Start St Andrews is willing to support the community council request for a defibrillator, and the contact person is Dr Hamish Tait. **Action SB to liaise with John Gallon**
- **Signage** – BS updated the noticeboard with timetable and map, and has liaised with Robbie Blyth (Fife Coast and Countryside Trust) re further signage
- **School placement** - Councillor Riches informed the meeting that there are 17 primary age pupils living in the catchment area and attending schools in St Andrews and Kingsbarns. The education department will be required to re-assign the catchment area after further evaluation as presently transport is provided to Kingsbarns and for the 10 children attending Greyfriars. Legal services still to resolve issues in connection with the Council's title before any marketing of the school can proceed.
- **Treasurer** informed the meeting that the bank account is now operational with a balance of £771. The grant form has been completed and the sum of £441.16 will be allocated to the CC. 50% of the cost of the wheelie bin collection (£144 every 6 months) at the village hall can now be paid, and is to be backdated to March 2016 as agreed at the last meeting.
- **Pop up Bob** – Councillor Docherty is to follow up the siting of pop up Bob and informed the meeting about a speed watch initiative which involves local communities - they carry out speed testing and the police follow up the results. The names of any interested volunteers to be e-mailed to JD **Action SB to determine interest amongst residents in Dunino where 1 member of the community previously received some training**

- **Website** – BS has liaised with the website designer and will arrange a meeting to take this forward. Archive copies of previous community council involvement can then be transferred, with the website updated regularly with all active material **Action BS**

4. Planning Application 10th August 2016 (16/01425/EIA) – Erection of 6 wind turbines and ancillary development including control building, construction of access roads upgrading of existing access road and temporary construction compound. Section 42 application to vary planning conditions 13,14,15,16,17,18,37 and 38. Ms Drummond queried if the objection submitted by the Community Council to Condition 18 (which requires radar mitigation to be in place BEFORE any work is commenced on the site) had been received as she informed the meeting that it has not been registered **Action SB to follow up** Councillor Docherty informed the meeting that there had been a site visit in connection with Planning Application 16/00873/EIA – Installation of underground electricity cable (15.4kms) erection of a substation building, transformer and a 2m high fence - and that this application has been rejected.

5. Boarhills Brownhills and Dunino Improvement Project (BBDIP) – Request to the community for a mandate to form a Development Trust
At a public meeting in June 2015, the local community decided to form a steering group to identify a number of community projects and initiatives. Since the inaugural meeting there has been a social evening, a pub night and a beach clean up all carried out without any public funding. At the social evening in December 2015 a wide range of projects were identified by members of the community and a list was handed out at the meeting. The Steering group – Lorna Guild, Alan Cairns, Lynne Matthews and John Gallon – has reached the collective view that in order to achieve some of the goals identified by the community it proposes to form a development trust (information on trusts available on <http://www.dtascot.org.uk>). One of the aims of the Trust would be to obtain community benefit from the operation of Kenly Windfarm, and during the planning process St Andrews University made a commitment to provide a substantial amount of money which would be shared amongst local communities. The proposal was discussed in

some detail with several points raised. It was suggested that certain funding schemes may be available - information from Development Trust Scotland Association; advice from Fife Voluntary Action based in Cupar; sustainability fund with possibility of some grant monies; community based projects in connection with the National Lottery. Concern was raised around any proposed benefit being honoured by the University, and it was stressed that the Scottish Government has issued guidance to developers. Following the discussion the Chairman asked for a show of hands in favour of the proposal – the vote was passed unanimously.

6. AOCB

- Councillor Riches informed the meeting that the Council is about to re-vamp the recycling centres as they are losing money on the centres. There will be no restrictions for householders, but any flat bed trucks, trailers, and pick ups will be required to book a space on-line or by telephone, and visits will be restricted to 12 per year. Centres will be restricted to St Andrews, Thornton and Dunfermline. The new scheme will be operational from 3rd October 2016
- Scottish Garden Scheme – thanks go to all the owners of the many Boarhill gardens open to the public in July and the huge catering effort in the village hall.
- Fiona.mitchell@fife.gov.uk - link person to community forum website
- Ms Matthews requested that the CC make personal contact with all householders within our boundary to advertise the re-instatement of the CC. The Development group has done this 3 times through a leaflet drop, and very much hope that in the future there will be a shared database. It was suggested that we advertise through Fife free press, and the group was informed that Mr John Kilgour has an old list of e-mails of people living in the area. It was agreed by the committee that once the website is functional this will become a priority.
- The Chairman informed the meeting that Boarhills Church is now up for sale, and currently there have been 7 viewings
- **Next meeting** Wednesday 16th November 2016, at 5.45 in Boarhills Village Hall