

Boarhills and Dunino Community Council
Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 16th November 2016 in Boarhills
Village Hall

Present: B Simpson Chairman, M Frodsham Treasurer, S Blair, Councillor D McGregor, Councillor J Docherty, Councillor E Riches, J Gallon, L Drummond,

1. Apologies: D Guild, D Chalmers

The Chairman welcomed all present

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 24/08/16 have been displayed on the Boarhills noticeboard but require to be placed on the website (when active) for wider dissemination.

Councillors to be added to circulation list.

3. Matters arising

- **Boarhills Brownhills and Dunino Improvement Project (BBDIP)** – Ms Drummond updated the meeting re progress since approval to form a Development Trust was passed unanimously at the last cc meeting in August. The steering group has grown in number, keeps in touch through their facebook page, and they have held monthly meetings. Draft articles of association have been circulated amongst the membership, and the group are currently applying to Fife Council for legal fees and funding for their first project. The group is networking with other areas who have already formed development trusts.
- **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 who is awaiting further instruction from the cc as to contact person and electrical supply. After discussion it was agreed to go ahead with siting the equipment at the village hall. J Gallon agreed to be the link person, and it was suggested that we have an open meeting in future with Heart start involved in order to update residents. Action SB
- **Signage** – BS reported that this has now been completed.
- **Speed watch initiative** which involves local communities - SB reported that although some interest had been expressed in the Dunino area she did not as yet have any names to pass on to JD for training.
- **Website** – BS has liaised with his website designer Mark Newman and it is now ready to go live, and will be regularly updated. It was suggested that a link from the site to the development trust information is actioned, and a mail drop will be carried out. Action BS

- **Recycling plan** – councillors reported that this action plan is currently on hold

4. Community Liaison Group

Meeting at Fairmont re planning consent 14/00882/EIA (Chalet development) update. The development has been started with the demolition of the outhouses.

The liaison group has been tasked with wildlife conservation and this is ongoing. Concern was raised re the prevalence of roe deer on the stretch between Balmashie and Fairmont – after discussion it was agreed that a sign would be erected at both Balmashie and Fairmont.

- 5. Telephone box** – Fife Council has given notice that BT is withdrawing services from some telephone boxes in the area – the box sited at Boarhills is on the list and the cc applied for permission to adopt the box for the sum of £1. Following discussion re the defibrillator it was decided to withdraw the request during the consultation period.

Action SB

6. Broadband Roadworks in Boarhills village

There was general discussion about the sudden appearance of BT in the village working on the installation of superfast broadband.

Action SB to liaise with John Thomson - contact person dealing with utilities - to get advance notice on roadworks etc in our area.

7. Windfarm proposals

An appeal has now been lodged to the Scottish Government for application ref 16/00873/EIA in connection with the installation of the underground electric cable. The application was turned down, and JD said that the site visit requested by the councillors was most valuable. However if the University approach utilities and sub contract it was suggested that the work could still proceed regardless of objections.

Action BS to review.

8. AOCB

- Fife local plan is due by the end of November, with information on which areas will be designated for future use.
- BS requested that the street light beside the noticeboard is repaired and this has been agreed and will be completed before the end of the year.
- Update from the councillors re budget cuts – all services to consider how they will cope with 90% of their current budget by

mid December.. Council tax will increase – likely to be bands E,F,G and H and the Scottish Government is expected to retain the increased revenue

- East Neuk community forum useful source of information
- Next meeting Wednesday 8th February 2017 at 5.45 in Boarhills Village Hall