

Strathfillan Community Council

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St. Fillan's Crozier
The Quigrich

Meeting 2nd October 2017 in Crianlarich Village Hall at 7.30pm

1. Present/Apologies

Present: Alan Smailes(Chair), Ian Marett, Catriona Mckenna, Theresa Elliot (Stirling Council), Falcon Frost, Mary Anderson, Billy Ronald, James Allardice, Sheona MacLennan

Members of the Public: Gordon Tweedie, Helena Tweedie,

Apologies: Isla Craig, John Riley, Alistair McDonald, Cllr Evelyn Tweed

2. Approval of minutes of meeting of Monday 3rd July 2017

Proposed by FF, seconded by IM

3. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Apologies that Septembers` minutes included police report – shouldn't have as report was not submitted in time for meeting.

Transport as a responsibility given to James.

CC`s response to Scotgold planning application has been submitted, as per agreement.

SCDT meeting on 12th October and will discuss playpark equipment update.

2. Reports:-

Police Report – No report submitted

Chairperson`s Report

Firstly I must apologise for not circulating the September report

Fibre Optic Broad Band, Strathfillan

The meeting was held 17th August in Crianlarich. As far as I am aware there has been no further progress. The Stirling Broadband delivery Group circulated updates which I passed on to you all on the 12th Sept.

Street Lighting, Willow Square, pedestrian tunnel (A85)

Both repaired

Planning

Scotgold:

The CC and Trust have sent letters to the NP in support of the planning application with a caveat about the possible re-routing of the West Highland Way away from the Cononish track to reduce pedestrians and road traffic interaction.

CiA/Environment:

Reports of one anti-social behaviour in and around the LSY, which was reported to the police who investigated. Outcome not known. I noted that the two tubs at Tyndrum Village Hall have been removed and I presume are now located in Mansefield, MH to confirm.

Meetings:

PPG

I was unable to attend the PPG meeting in August due to a prior engagement, however, the minutes of the meeting have been circulated. The next meeting will be 1st Nov.

Crianlarich Fire Station

Gordon Kerr, Station Manager, East SDA - Delivery Stirling and Clackmannanshire, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service will attend Monday 6th November to clarify the current position of service provision at Crianlarich Fire Station. I will start the meeting with his report.

Defib/CPR Training

Two sessions were held during September in Tyndrum and Crianlarich, both were well attended and we now have trained people in both communities able to carry out Defib/CPR.

West Highland Community Rail Partnership

The AGM was held in Fort William on Saturday 16th September Duncansborough Church hall.

C60 Consultation Drop-in Session

The CC has asked for a venue here in Strathfillan and SC have arranged a meeting to be held 27th September, Crianlarich hall 7 to 9pm.

Please ensure that as many people as possible attend. Below is a synopsis of SC's proposal and our response.

C60 Bus Service and its effects on Strathfillan

The Council is about to consider how best to replace this service from January 2018. There are three main options:

- - 'like for like' replacement of the bus service;
- - replacement of the bus service with an amended timetable;
- - replacement of the bus service by a DRT service.

What are the viable options:

Our taxi operator would probably not want to be part of any extended DRT operation, due to lack of drivers/vehicles.

Amended timetable – what would that mean – fewer buses – much less time available to get to and from Stirling.

Like for like replacement - best option – but also to include Tyndrum as part of the service.

History:

The Council guaranteed a service when the train line was discontinued in 1964. This was then reduced to a 'postbus' which was stopped by the Post Office. DRT took over but has become difficult for our local taxi company to operate due to lack of drivers and other issues.

Outcomes:

Killin, the nearest point for existing bus services, is a 26 miles journey from Crianlarich, and a further 10 miles from/to Tyndrum. If the C60 was to stop then residents without personal transport would be effectively prevented from accessing Stirling District and NHS services.

The CC on behalf of the community of Strathfillan strongly recommend there is a permanent bus service operating between Callander and Tyndrum via Killin.

Without it what is the point of being in Stirling District?

Community Engagement Session 19th September

Isla, John, Jimmy and myself attended the meeting along with representatives from Killin and BLS CC's. The Chief exec. and several other deputies were in attendance. As to whether this meeting will result in a meaningful outcome we will wait and see.

Meeting with Stephen Kerr MP

John Riley, Isla and myself met with our MP at his 'surgery' in Crianlarich Hall. We discussed four topics, C60, Broadband, Firearms and Accessibility for medical services. He will be lobbying the UK Government, Holyrood and SC about these issues. I have sent you all a copy of a letter from our MP about the C60.

Signing of Firearms Certificates

There have been a number of complaints from locals about the fact that the GPs are not signing Firearm Certificate forms. GPs are not contracted to complete the GP Response form of the firearms certificate application form. Dr Mill and Dr Watson do not feel they have the qualifications to complete a section of the form and this is the reason they are not completing the form. LK stated that GPs could refuse to sign the forms on the grounds of being conscientious objectors but this was definitely not the case here.

An arrangement has been made for people's medical records to be put on to a disc, at a cost of £10, which can then be taken to a Private GP who has agreed to complete these forms for a fee.

It is believed that someone has been issued with a certificate. This will be flagged up at the Patient Participation Group Meeting

Other Issues

It has been asked if the CC meetings can be alternated between Tyndrum and Crianlarich. It has been expressed that there is an imbalance of CC representatives between the two major population centres and by holding meetings at alternate venues may result in more involvement by Tyndrum residents. A venue has as yet not been identified in Tyndrum. The CC will be asked to agree in principle for either the November or December meeting to be held in Tyndrum

Important to note that any anti-social behaviour needs logged with police.

Two tubs have been moved from outside Tyndrum Village Hall, to Mansefield Tyndrum.

Gordon Kerr from Scottish Fire Service is going to attend next month`s meeting to update us of the provision in Crianlarich.

The C60 drop in consultation took place. No-one from Tyndrum came to give their opinions – however one person from Bridge of Orchy, Argyll and Bute came.

A Community Engagement Session took place in Killin – Stirling Council`s senior management attended. Isla spoke about the progress on the Outreach Surgery.

CC now has internet banking – Ian, Alan and Isla have responsibility for it.

Mary asked about wreath for Armistice

Action Isla

Treasurer No report submitted.

CIA Report – No report submitted

Health Report - PPG will next meet 1st Nov.

Transport Report

Communication from Stirling Council to Theresa about proposed daytime road closures on A82 for BEAR to do improvements. Dates given 6th Nov – 21st Nov. CC has not been consulted – but agreed work is necessary. Alan to contact BEAR and Transport Scotland for clarification. *Action Alan*

Need better signage for Falls of Falloch....many near accidents at entrance to car-park. Signage responsibility of NPA or Transport Scotland *Action Alan*

Theresa reported that 20mph signs, to slow traffic are not on at correct time to coincide with journeys to school. School should request the signs come on at the right times. *Action Alan/Catriona*

A large rock has fallen off the old dyke onto Glenfalloch Rd, Crianlarich. James will contact Stirling Council to remove. **Action James**

Planning

Weeks 36 ,37,38, No new applications

Week 37 extant

2 dwelling houses station road Crianlarich

Hydro scheme Benmore Farm

Gold mine Cononish

Week 38 Extant

Repeat of 37

Housing

Some houses needing gardens tidied....Stirling Council already contacted.

Broadband

No update since meeting in August

Website is now live. Ian to send out more info. Alan asked for a link to a Facebook page....Ian is moderator. **Action Ian**

Councillor`s Report – No report submitted

Report from Billy Ronald Nothing to report

Tyndrum Action Group – No report submitted

Theresa`s Report – Nothing to report

AOB

Alan reviewed Office Bearers – Sheona will take Environment/Local Services
A discussion on LSY – question of whether CC wants LSY as an Exclusion Zone. Sheona offered to conduct questionnaire to get evidence for/against camping and roads issues. This would be done in Londis Crianlarich. Discussion about portaloos for the area. Despite worry about SC cutting maintenance of public toilets opposite Crianlarich Hotel, Gordon Tweedie thought portaloos would help persistent problem of visitors toileting in vegetation near his home. **Action Sheona**

At the C60 Drop In Consultation, David Brown seemed positive

Discussion about newspaper article on Firearms Med Cert issue. Falcon thought the refusal to sign certificates by Killin Medical Practice affects at least twenty people in the area. They all need the certificate for their jobs – no job means no home in many cases. Anecdotally it is supposed that some patients have had certificates signed – 2 mentioned; It seems as though Dr/patient relations are suffering: no home visits; not enough appointments; no appts when surgery waiting room is empty and Drs. on site?; Linda Kerr (Acting Practice Manager) has asked Alan for an update after this meeting....agreed that Alan should write to the practice from CC on behalf of whole community. **Action Alan**

John Riley has asked that CC meetings alternate between Crianlarich and Tyndrum. John thinks Tyndrum meetings will encourage Tyndrum residents to join. Agreed that if John could find a venue, the December`s meeting will be held in Tyndrum....Social Media can update everyone of change in venue. Alan will communicate with John. **Action Alan**

Helena Tweedie asked if the hedging at Meadow Grove can be cut back. Alan McLennan will do it for the Trust. **Action Alan**

The next meeting will be on Monday 6th November at 7.30pm in Crianlarich Village Hall'

Action List:

Isla to procure Poppy Wreath for Armistice Sunday

Alan to contact appropriate persons about proposed A82 road closures

Alan to contact NP about more signage at Falls of Falloch

Alan/Catriona to contact SC and School over 20mph signs

James to contact SC about large boulder on Glen Falloch Rd.

Ian to send out info on new website

Sheona to conduct a questionnaire to collect evidence for/against camping and road issues

Alan to contact KMP about firearms certificate issuing

Alan to arrange suitable venue in Tyndrum for the December CC meeting

Alan to arrange with the Trust the cutting of the hedge at LSY