KIPPEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 10th of August 2021 8pm Via Zoom

Apologies: Margaret Beaton, Derek Shanks.
Present: Kevin Carty, Scott Crawford, Sarah Hill, Robert Clubb, Sarah Hill, Christine Stewart, Barbara Ross, Susan Hewett.
Attending: 9 Members of Public
Minutes of the last meeting: were approved (proposer Kevin Carty; seconder Robert Clubb).
Co-Option Nominees: WSC welcomed the new members of the Community Council – Co-Opt Members - Susan Hewett & Barbara Ross – and Associate Member – Christine Stewart.
Office Bearers: SC have confirmed under the Scheme of Establishment that we are required to select our Office Bearers ASAP. As we do not have all Council Members in attendance, we will confirm our selections at the next meeting.
Letter re Dawn Homes: WSC will continue to draft a letter for the next meeting. RC has asked to add in re the times that the working is starting. WSC went through some images and video of vehicles and damage to the pavement. There already seems to be a lot of traffic already in the village and can the village support any more houses/vehicles? The access is the main issue.
Anaerobic Digester, Boquhan: BR – there was a notice in the newspaper re Graham's Dairy looking to put in an Anaerobic Digester at Boquhan. They have already submitted an application to build in Cowdenbeath and they have had over 300+ complaints including from Sepa. SC had a meeting on the 2nd of June and they decided that an Environment Impact Study isn't required. Cllr Hutchison has been in contact with SC and had a response. Dairy waste is broken down and produces fertilizer and Methane – the Methane will be used to run the plant at Cowdenbeath causing a lot of traffic to/from this site. By moving to Boquhan they are hoping that as there are fewer houses nearby it shouldn't be as much of an impact instead of being near Cowdenbeath. It will be a 24/7 365-day operation. There might be a lot of noise especially at night. They want to "minimize" noise, smells, etc. – by the use of the word "minimize" suggests there will be an amount of noise, smells, etc. Does this come under Kippen or Gargunnock. Should we contact Gargunnock? Anaerobic Digesters are a good idea in principle. However, if SC aren't prepared to do an Environmental Survey would suggest that that they are aware that there is likely to be issues. We need to have a better understanding of what this site entails. We need to contact SEPA and get them onboard with looking into this for us. We all need to send in our own letters of objection.
The process needs to be looked at. If it's within Gargunnock Community Council area – will they have the same thoughts on it as Kippen. What about Media? Would Graham's be

getting funding from the Scottish Government? There will also be significant traffic on the A811 for the solar panels being developed at Gargunnock.

Planning: Once we have the Office Bearer's we need to ensure that we have good Planning Officer in place to prevent plans like the Dawn Homes Housing Estate being pushed through.

Any Other Competent Business: The KCC are looking to build relationships with other groups. Once we do go back to Face-to-face meetings – would like to see Zoom in the meetings as well. Perhaps make a list of experience and see who we need to help. Ann Milligan would like it minuted that the Boquhan Bridge is to be closed due to structural survey – this is a "core path" and therefore there needs to be diversion. There are trees growing through the parapet. This is on Graham's land.

The meeting closed at 9.24pm.

The next meeting will be 24/08/2021 at 8pm.

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