KIPPEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
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Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on Tuesday 24th of August 2021 8pm Via Zoom

Apologies: None Received

Present: Kevin Carty, Scott Crawford, Sarah Hill, Hugh Aitchison, Robert Clubb, Susan Hewett, Christine Stewart, Barbara Ross, Margaret Beaton, Derek Shanks.

Attending: Councillor Rob Davies & 11 Members of Public

Minutes of the last meeting: (10/08/2021) were approved (proposer Kevin Carty; seconder Sarah Hill).

Associate Member: KCC welcomed onboard Hugh Aitchison as Associate Member. We were short of members and we have managed to get back up to numbers. We are hoping to have a full complement of Members in the next few months.

Police Report: None Received

Planning: Application for Ford Head for storing materials from an anaerobic digester and looks to be quite a large building. This is NOT linked to the Graham's Dairies site.

Treasurer's Report: No changes from last month – very small amount of money as an admin grant from Stirling Council.

Letter re Dawn Homes: WSC has composed a draft letter to Councillor's re issues with Dawn Homes. There have been many concerns including traffic management (or lack thereof) and starting work at 7.15am in the morning and there is quite a loud noise.

Anaerobic Digester, Boquhan: There are quite a number of documents that we may need to look through re this application. There are going to be 21,500 tons of material every year. There is a breakdown of where all of the material is coming from – very little of it is coming from Boquhan – most of it is coming from other areas into the site. An Acoustic Survey as been completed and there are no mitigating factors during the day but will be above the level at night time. There won't be anymore tankers? It looks like there may be a bigger development once the anaerobic digester has been built. As Kippen is more Rural than Cowdenbeath – could it be that they are more like to get it through? The date that the objections need to be submitted is very close. E-mail has been received to state that there should be a notice posted for 2 years prior for consultation and also that the site is on a flood plain. A call for some more meetings to take place prior to our next meeting as the closing date is the 8th of September. There will be a large flow of materials to/from the site. We'll try and contact Gargunnock Community Council and see if we can work together on this. We can notify people via letter drops and on the website. Need to work on items that are tangible that can be objected to. We need to ensure at least 5 letters need to be sent for it to go to planning panel. The reason there is no requirement for SEPA is that the site isn't large enough to qualify – so, unless it is expanded, there would be no requirement for reports. It would appear that they have looked at the issues at Cowdenbeath and learnt

from that to make sure there are fewer reasons for objections. We'll set up a template. Many of the objections in Cowdenbeath should be the same here? There will be businesses such as the Woodhouse that may be negatively affected. If there are 20,000 tons of material coming in, then there would be more lorries required to come and from the site than in the proposals. There is like to be CO2 going into the atmosphere. There will be light pollution from burn offs from the site. We need to slow down the process to give us more time to act. We'll have another meeting on Thursday at 7.30pm. Rob Davies is prepared to put this forward to the panel for review for KCC. We'll contact the owner of the Woodhouse to see if they wish to object. There is an existing safety concern due to Articulated Lorries having to use the whole road for a turning circle.

Pavements overgrown trees/hedges: There have been a few concerns over trees/hedges overgrown over the pavement and pedestrians are actually having to walk out onto the road to get past.

Councilor's Report: Back in the 70's the council bought some land on access to a farm access road – they are looking to sell on. Council are considering when meetings can take place in person and away from Zoom meetings. Deputizations within Council being discussed. Changes to the waste bin collections are coming in soon. Will stop collections at weekends in tourist areas.

"Round Table" Discussion: Action is better than too much talk. Details have been sent to the KCC re GCC. Speeding in Kippen as people are still speeding through the village in spite of the 20mph limit. Transport manager coming out on Thursday to discuss. There are no 20mph limits written on the road and the speed detection sign still shows 30mph. Jane Hutchison is taking this up on our behalf. A complete has been raised against Stirling Council. There won't be a true representation of speed if checking where it narrows and naturally slows. Would be great to have a liaison onboard re Police. Liaising with other groups is a great idea. The Woodland Group are having a meeting. Access Officer as advised there should be access to bridge for pedestrians. A letter has been drafted to a Councilor re Graham's Dairies. A big thank you to everyone who have investigated and researched for the meeting. Would like to set up a distribution list for residents to keep them informed. An e-mail has been received asking us to name the Dawn Homes housing estate. A suggestion was to get Kippen Primary School to name it.

Any Other Competent Business: Can Kippen help determine a local plan? This might be a couple of years away. There is a Waste Management Meeting on Monday – WSC will be attending.

The meeting closed at 9.45pm.

The next meeting will be 26/08/2021 at 7.30pm.

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