

## PINWHERRY & PINMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Thursday 20 November 2014 IN PINWHERRY COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Community Councillors present:**

Roger Pirrie (Chair) Chris Saunders (Vice Chair), Mike Chamberlain (Treasurer), Peter Walker, Joy Chamberlain, John McAlley. David Logan

**In Attendance:**

PC arrived 8.40pm

**Apologies:** Marie McNulty (Secretary)

**Members of the public:** Willie McCreath

**Chair:** taken by Roger Pirrie.

**Minutes** taken by Senga Scobie

**Declarations of Interest:** None.

No.	Item	Action by
1.	<b>Community Police Officer's report:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recent heavy rain has caused landslides in the area.</li><li>2 road traffic accidents. One at Pinmore due to weather, one vehicle involved, no injuries sustained. One at Laggansarroch.</li><li>2 males reported for road traffic offences.</li><li>Extra attention is being paid to remote locations due to thefts. Police are stopping suspicious vehicles and talking to the occupants.</li></ul>	
2.	<b>Open Forum</b> None	
3.	<b>Minutes of PPCC meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014</b> Matters arising – none Amendments to minutes: Louise Fyfe was not present. £50 Dobbies voucher. Minutes proposed by MC and seconded by J McA all agreed.	
4.	<b>Matters arising not on this agenda:</b> <u>Update roads meeting</u> ST Roads Alliance, Killgallioch roads agreement. SPR not using the A77.  Herds bridge (railway bridge) is going to be straightened out. MC advised it is not known how long the road may be closed for, this is still in discussion stage. <u>Retirement of Louise Fyfe</u> A letter is to be written to Jill Cronin expressing thanks for	

	<p>Louise's invaluable involvement. Louise has indicated she is still willing to answer questions. A £50 voucher for Dobbies will be sent to Louise. RP to forward her address to MC.</p> <p>RP will contact Jill Cronin to ask whether Louise will be replaced.</p>	<p>RP MC</p> <p>RP</p>												
5.	<p><b>Regular Reports:</b> <u>SAC Elected Member:</u> John McDowall not present. No report</p> <p><u>Secretary:</u> MM not present. No report</p> <p><u>Treasurer:</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">CF small grants</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2137.06</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HH small grants</td> <td style="text-align: right;">4253.13</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Secretarial expenses</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1234.64</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Layby maintenance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">12.01</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Council business</td> <td style="text-align: right;">2415.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: right;">Total in bank</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£10051.92</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Small grants</u> Colmonell Curling Club have requested £488 from CF for 22 Gilets and 4 brushes - £488. All agreed. Grant approved.</p>	CF small grants	2137.06	HH small grants	4253.13	Secretarial expenses	1234.64	Layby maintenance	12.01	Council business	2415.08	Total in bank	£10051.92	
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6.	<p><b>Wind farm updates/developments:</b> <u>Tralorg-</u> Memorandum of Understanding discussion RP &amp; MC attended a meeting at Woodlands Hotel. A discussion on the percentage of monies distributed took place at which it was finally decided that the community benefit would be paid on a community per capita basis. This means that Girvan will receive 70% and the other communities 30%.</p> <p>PW said that the funds should be distributed to those communities most impacted, not on a population basis, all agreed. It was then agreed that the Memorandum of Understanding would be signed by Pinwherry and Pinmore Community Council and that this would be accompanied by a letter stating our objections to the way this funding is being distributed.</p> <p>RP to sign the Objection Memorandum of Understanding and MM to write accompanying objection letter.</p> <p>RP suggested that future Community Benefit funding goes into the established Carrick Futures and Hadyard Hill Community Benefit Funds, all agreed. MC as treasurer said he would not be comfortable handling the large sums of money involved.</p>	<p>RP/MM</p>												

	<p><u>Millenderdale</u> It has been suggested that a Development Officer be employed by Community Councils to sit in all committees and report back. Each Community Council will have this funded by wind farm. RP advised this is on the next CF agenda. Distribution of funds – a discussion on how funds are distributed took place with the question of, do Community Councils have the skills to assess grants? The consensus amongst PPCC is that it does not and that Foundation Scotland are best placed in the case of Carrick Futures to evaluate applications and make recommendations. PPCC will object to the Millenderdale development.</p> <p><u>Assel Valley</u> PW said that the Assel Valley Community Liaison Group meeting would take place in two weeks and that 3 x 1/3 distribution of agreed funds will be handled by Carrick Futures.</p> <p><u>High Troweir</u> Objection lodged by PPCC</p> <p><u>Breaker Hill</u> A rebuttal of developers appeal has been submitted by PPCC to the Reporter.</p> <p>A further discussion ensued with Willie McCreath asking if there is a set model regarding boundaries for funds. RP responded that there is no set model or criteria for agreeing how community benefit will be disbursed. Once again, the discussion focussed upon the need for the communities most heavily impacted to receive the largest proportion of community benefit.</p>	
7.	<p><b><u>Pinwherry School update</u></b></p> <p>PW advised that it has been decided to relook at the Hostel/Bunkhouse idea. The land was gifted to the community to build the school on. The school belongs to SAC. Ongoing legalities being undertaken to ensure the sale includes the building and land. This is on hold at present. Interest has been lodged with SAC.</p>	
8.	<p><b><u>Carrick Futures update RP</u></b></p> <p>There are 10 targets for 2015.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Review and update core Fund material to ensure it is clear, consistent and accessible. This will be done with guidance from the Board of Directors.</li> <li>2. Promote the Fund with application systems and deadlines through a range of promotional methods ie; media, social</li> </ol>	

	<p>media and networks.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Simplify the application process and operate a local point of contact process for potential applicants.</li> <li>4. Assess all applications with due consideration to various needs, purposes, impact and outcomes.</li> <li>5. Publish full details of all grants awarded on websites and in the press.</li> <li>6. Monitor and manage the progress and impact of funded projects and gather feedback for the CF Board and wider community.</li> <li>7. Ensure that the Company is operating at the highest standards of corporate governance. Specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that the Board operates with a full component of Directors.</li> <li>• Establish a procedure around how community councils appoint new members.</li> <li>• Review the roles and responsibilities of Directors and ensured level of understating round this.</li> <li>• Develop a clear Conflict of Interests policy for Directors.</li> </ul> </li> <li>8. Build relations with stakeholders.</li> <li>9. Develop a communication plan for Carrick Futures to ensure promotional activity is ongoing throughout the area.</li> <li>10. Grow Carrick Future’s assets by allocating a percentage of the fund to an endowment fund.</li> </ol> <p>RP said that these are challenging but achievable targets. They will form the core basis of reporting at the next AGM. He is very confident that the report will be very positive.</p>	
9.	<p><b>CCCF Update</b> No update.</p>	
10.	<p><b>AOB</b> PW letter to RP – regarding the 2 Pins Awards for All balance and proposal for spending. 2 Pins have been offered a heavy duty steel container for storage use and request £500 assistance from the CC. A discussion took place and it was agreed to grant 2Pins £500 towards the container.</p> <p>Willie McCreath asked what stance Donald Trump is taking vis a vis windfarm developments in South Carrick. RP said that he is against these developments and has appointed a member of staff to provide him with full information.</p>	
11.	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b> - Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7.30pm In Pinwherry Hall.</p>	

Last meeting 16<sup>th</sup> October 2014