

CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Meeting Thursday April 26th in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

House Keeping: Fire Exits etc
Introduction of Community Councillors to Visitors

Apologies

1. Concerns of Village Residents
2. Police Report - (if anyone attends lets them go early)
3. Minutes of March 29th 2012 Agreement and signing
5. Matters Arising -
Tulloch housing development ,

Struan Building,

Smiddy site plans- response

Village traffic calming measures
Road sign by 'Spinney'

Road to Station

Bus shelter

Proposed Community Council Notice board

Community StoreShed – key holdes

OlympicTorch

Youthpod

BikePark

Football goalposts
Unpaid invoice for pitch ?

Carve Carrbridge seats

Carrbridge Website

Water Supply

Wifi Village Hall
6. Matters Outstanding (no discussion needed unless new information)

A95 bend Grainish New bus stop design Sinking headstones in Cemetery
Update on Community Consultation, Our Community a Way Forward (OCAWF)
War Memorial /Cemetery Entrance
Glenkirk and Tom na Clach Windfarms
Signs for Lay-by on Inverness Road [HCouncil](#)

7. Treasurer's report [FMcM](#)
8. Planning Applications New applications
9. Carve CarrBridge
10. Carrbridge World Porridge Making Championship
11. Secretary's Report
All emails forwarded to CCC for information – do I need to bring them to CCC meeting?
12. AOCB
13. Date of next meeting: Thursday May 31st 2012 after the AGM in the Village hall

CARRBRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday March 29th 2012 in the Village Hall.

Present: Andrew Kirk, Scott Bruce, Robert McInnes, Fiona McMullen, Carol Ritchie, David Ritchie, Kate Adamson, Lara Campbell

In Attendance: Cllr Stuart Black, Gemma Powell, Colin Watt, Ranald McWilliam, Tom Ramage, Karen Derrick, Jan Carlisle, Dr Boyd Peters, Donald Powell.

Apologies: None.

Chairman confirmed that in future anyone who wishes to speak should request permission of the chair. Proceedings will therefore be clarified for minute taking

Concerns of Villages Residents: None.

Dr Peters: Short discussion on future of local hospitals.

Dr Peters attended CCC to bring to local residents attention a recent report which outlined the rising costs of maintaining our 2 local hospitals and that although there is funding for these repairs in the current budget, there is a risk that one day there will not be sufficient funds allocated in future budgets. Dr Peters suggested local communities need to start considering this and also that perhaps the money put towards stemming the repairs and maintenance issues at our 2 existing hospitals could be put to better use building one better, more modern facility to meet everyone's needs. Dr Peters wants to bring this topic of discussion to all local communities in the Strathspey and Badenoch area and let them be fully aware of the situation and the eventuality that due to rising costs we may have to face losing one or both of our local hospital facilities. All local communities in the area should come together to agree a plan for the future with this in mind, as a collaborative effort, and Dr Peters is visiting all community councils in the area to raise the topic and seek support and/or feedback. CC queried whether the health centres could be annexed if the hospitals were closed down, to which the answer was yes, they can exist independently, so local communities (i.e. Grantown) shouldn't be at risk of losing the health centre if Ian Charles hospital was to close. CCC offered Dr Peters full support in whatever action plan was proposed to avoid losing hospital facilities in the area, and look forward to hearing further on the discussion in future.

Police Report: None Received.

CCC disappointed with the lack of response from Police to supply even just an email report. A Kirk has spoken with Chief Inspector to request a report after the last CC meeting. CI said he was aware of the issue and was planning to resolve it. However no report was received this month.

Minutes of last meeting. No changes to be made. Committee agreed, chairman signed a copy.

Matters Arising:

Tulloch housing development: Recent public meeting held in the village hall was attended by approx 82 people. CCC members took notes from meeting and will format these together into a combined response letter to the consultation on the development. No further public meetings are required at this point for submission of the formal response to Tulloch. Major issues raised and noted by CCC at the meeting included the major increase of traffic on Carr Road and the planned phasing of the development and exact location of affordable housing allocation – CCC feel the affordable housing should be spread throughout the site and not phased into one block. It was felt that if all the affordable housing was built at the same time rather than phased, then the houses would all be allocated at the same time then some of the houses might go to non-local people, depending on how many eligible local applicants are on the list at the time of completion of the houses. Cllr Black explained to CCC that a "special letting plan" is still an option to be put forward but it can only be applied to 50% of all of the low cost affordable housing, and this would help towards ensuring local Strathspey and Badenoch residents are given a fair chance of being allocated an affordable low cost home in the new development. The report collated by the CCC from the recent meeting will be made publicly available to view. Official response to consultation must be submitted to developers by end of March.

Struan Building: Following the press coverage in Strathy as a result of the last CC meeting some windows were secured and the safety fence was re-fixed. John Docherty of Building Control at the Highland Council has been to take a look at the property and suggested the blue safety fencing is a hazard and it is not necessarily needed because any person breaking into the property is breaking the law, the blue safety fencing is actually only a necessity on a

building site. CCC agreed however the preference is for the blue safety fence to remain as a deterrent for kids getting in to the building.

Old Smiddy Site – planning objection: CC would like to question the change of use of land and object to planning application although submission has not been formally made. CC planning representative and CC Vice Chairman will put together a formal response on behalf of CC.

Village traffic calming measures: Andrew McIvor met with CC members on 29th March and Mr McIver suggested some of the proposed measures were viable, i.e. rumble strips and narrowing of sections of road. He also said a strip speed monitor will be put in place within the next 4-6 weeks for duration in order to take a formal survey of speeding and build up a gradual survey of traffic in the village. McIver also suggested the road sign by the Spinney should be replaced and not be bi-lingual, only in English if CCC agreed to this which they did. HC agreed to also refurbish the other traffic signs at the entrances to the village.

Road to Railway Station: Pot holes have now been filled in and it has been confirmed £9000 will be allocated for tarring Station Road, and these pot holes have been filled in even though the road has not been adopted by HC. Requests for suggestions from CC for priorities to be put forward as to what the remainder of the budget should be allocated to.

Broken fence at old A9: This was reported to Richard Porteous by Cllr Black after he visited the site, following on from the last CC meeting. It was suggested chevrons or a brighter safety barrier should be put in place. Highland Council will look into it.

Bus Shelter: Still has not been repaired. Cllr Black believes a new bus shelter may be in place sooner than expected and that is why the existing bus shelter has not been repaired.

Proposed CC Notice Board: CC would like to progress with putting an official notice board outside the Spar shop, in place of the temporary plastic notice board which has kindly been donated for CC use by Kireen. CCC will gather quotes for a permanent timber notice board and ask Bill and Anne Baird for permission to use location, and CC will check if a planning application must be made. Committee still to decide on size of notice board, i.e. 4 A4 sheets or 6 and should it just be used to display the agenda and not the full minutes.

Community Path Leaflet: Printing finished. Adam Streeter Smith (CNPA) has agreed to put 500 leaflets to both Tourist Information Centres in Grantown and Aviemore, and the remaining 4500 leaflets will go to the Carrbridge Hotel, as previously agreed.

Community Store Shed. Shed is finished but the door bolts/hinges have still to be changed. Items have not been transferred from old shed to new yet, storage boxes need to be purchased first and CC agree the items should be moved bit by bit as they are needed. Old chairs/spare chairs will remain in the old CC shed at village hall. 3 sets of keys for new shed, to be held only by CCC members.

Olympic Torch visit: CCC members attended an Olympic torch meeting in Aviemore. Torch is to arrive in Carrbridge on Monday 11th June and goes to the primary school. The village will organise events for the day and have £500 budget. Landmark Forest Park has agreed they will add to the budget if necessary and will advertise a discount to the forest park on the day. Deshar School, Boat CC and Boat residents, will be invited to join in events in Carrbridge and will be bussed to the village for the day. The local Craft group and Church would like to do something special for the day. CCC suggests buying more bunting out of the £500 budget.

Youth pod: Dominic Sermanni will be meeting with Victor Sandilands to put the cement in for the base soon and its hoped the pod will be up and functioning within a month after that.

Update on February minutes - £1000 funding was agreed for Carrbridge Youth Shelter Project but amount was not noted in minutes

Bike Park: Carrbridge Bike Skills Park group have been in discussion with Carrbridge Ahead Ltd with regards coming under their wing for purposes of insurance, as a community run facility. Ranald McWilliam will submit a draft Minute of Agreement and a draft Working Group Remit to the CC and Carrbridge Ahead Ltd. Bike Skills Park group also agreed to submit revised estimates for project costs for the CC funding application before it can be considered. It's probable that there will be a premium added to Carrbridge Ahead Ltd's existing insurance if the Bike Skills Park group is to be covered, and the Bike Skills Park group have agreed they will pay this increase in policy cost. Kate Adamson to follow up and investigate amount of increase policy cost. Carrbridge Ahead Ltd members will organise a meeting with the Bike Skills Park group to discuss the formalities of this arrangement, and no formal agreement will be made between Carrbridge Ahead Ltd and the Bike Skills Park until the additional cost to the insurance policy is confirmed and discussed in full.

Football Goal posts: VABS put in an application for discretionary funds from the Highland Council for £1074 for new goal posts. Currently waiting to hear if application was successful or not., should know by early April.

Unpaid Invoice for football pitch hire: Cllr Black has correct email and correspondence address to send the bill to – Fiona McMullan will re-issue the invoice to the correct party.

Carve Carrbridge donated seats: Unfinished carvings still in storage at Ritchie's yard, have not moved since event last year. No further action has been taken with them. R McInnes to follow up.

Carrbridge Website: Preview of new website in February went well. New website will to be available for the public to view soon; it will be put to CTA and CCC for comments first, and then will be made public after feedback from both parties.

Treasurers Report: Full report available for reading on request.

One request from CPTA for funding for climbing wall at school for children, £2000 requested. CCC have requested further information on the project and more detailed costs and additional funding already secured for project. CCC have asked CPTA to re-submit application with this information.

Invoice for CCC Minute taker required by end of financial year.

Planning Applications:

12/00946/S75D Carrbridge Hotel Application to discharge Section 75 agreement under reference 05/14/FULBS.
Carrbridge Hotel, Carrbridge PH23 3AB

12/01048/S75D Donald John Powell Application to discharge Section 75 agreement under reference 08/244/FULBS. Bogroy Croft, Inverness Road, Carrbridge, PH23 3AU

- CCC asked Mr Watt and Mr Powell for fuller explanation on their Section 75's, and with this additional information provided the CCC had no objections.

12/01059/FUL Mrs B Florence Demolish existing rear lean-to extension. Alter and extend existing house.
Grainish, Carrbridge, PH23 3AA

- No objections.

Planning application for Etteridge to Boat of Garten Rationalisation Scheme – for CC planning representative to consider.

Carve Carrbridge: Event progressing.

Sale of Raffle tickets at Carve Carrbridge needs a license: Carrbridge Ahead Ltd should apply for the license and be license holders on behalf of Carve Carrbridge.

Porridge Making Championships: Event progressing. No further progress reported regarding gaining access to domain control and passwords.

Secretary's Report:

Cairngorms Community Council Planning Network – meeting for all planning representatives on all community councils, 3 meetings per year, first meeting is 30th May, nominated member of CCC should attend.

Highland & Moray Countryside Rangers Guided Walks and Events Booklet 2012 – one copy supplied to CCC.

NHS Highland Briefing note Feb 2012 – available to read on request.

AOCB:

Wifi in Village Hall: Village Hall committee will be meeting soon and will discuss installing wifi and who will pay for it and will come back to CCC on it. Boat of Garten village hall have wifi set up and VABS helped secure funding for it, but it is used more often as there are more regular meetings held there.

Carrbridge Jigsaw: Suggestion for one of James Ross's photographs of the Old Bridge to be made into a jigsaw and be sold locally. CC in agreement.

Changes in Local Water Supply: Suggestion that CCC put forward an official response to current discussion on noticeable changes in the water supply/drinking water. It is felt that a community response is necessary in writing to Scottish Water. Cllr Black suggested the Highland Council are due to meet with Scottish Water soon. In general it was agreed this noticeable change in the water supply and distaste is not good for local tourism, local businesses and residents alike. Residents have reported kettles popping, residue left on glasses and commercial urns have turned black inside.

Recent training session for Community Councillors, held in Inverness, was reportedly very useful – Andrew Kirk and Carol Ritchie had applied to attend but in the event were unable to go. Another opportunity to attend perhaps more locally would be welcome.

Date of next meeting: Thursday April 26th