

CARR-BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft MINUTES

Meeting Thursday March 27th 2014

Present: Andrew Kirk (Chair), Kate Adamson, Scott Bruce, David Ritchie
Apologies: Fiona McMullen, George Dyer, Robert McInnes

In attendance: Cllr Bill Lobban, Lorraine Anderson, Jan Carlyle, Heather Davidson, Ranald McWilliam, Colin Watt

Minutes of February 27th 2014 Proposed as correct record by AK, seconded by DR and Agreed

Police Report No Police presence. Report has been circulated (figures were for month of February, received on 03/03/14)

Matters Arising New Community Councillors Young folk needed. **SB to follow up**
War Memorial paths AK, RMcW and RMcI working on it. Ownership is under HC Planning Partnership. It is most likely that any works would require Planning Permission and therefore All Abilities may be required at huge cost

Tom na Clach community benefit – meeting 19th February. KA attended. Next Meeting will be in Autumn, and we are looking to 2017 at least so no hurry. Main problem was that Infinergy and Cawdor Estate had started negotiations and Cawdor Estate wanted to be responsible for half the Community Benefit to distribute how they thought best. The Communities at the meeting disapproved of the LandOwner who sold the land for the Windfarm being also involved in the Benefit
There was also discussion on percentage which should be distributed to each Community; some felt that Highland Council distribution model should be used, but those who were to get less than 2% felt that funds should be split equally. We need to keep a eye on this as Carrbridge would be due for about 10% under HC which would be higher than if the split was equal

Village Hall Notes of meeting between Local Residents of Rosehill, Village Hall representative and Highland Council were circulated among Community Councillors. Access will be upgraded and it is agreed that any works round the Hall require Planning Permission as it is a Listed Building. The Access Committee have agreed that it can be used as a polling Station this year. We want to thank Cllr Lobban very much for his support with this problem

Scotrail Baddengorm Bridge repairs completed

Bridge Lighting repaired

Service point Closure Short term Change of Direction

Insurance renewal for CBA and Bike Park FMcM had email of Quotes to be paid. Bike Park figure was £545.53 – CBA is holding funds for Bike Skills Park so will pay this sum. CBA insurance was £110.83

Bowling/ Football Pavilion – keys & payment. Showers. For next month

Defibrillator in Carrbridge GDyer has been looking at this – see end of Minutes

Station Road Lighting No HC money available at present

Housing Development Carr Road AK sent letter to Developers responding that we did not consider their plans adequate for safety along Carr Road

Treasurer FMcM sent Accounts to date. We must recognise her Contribution to Community Council activities as Treasurer but also for Porridge and Carve Carrbridge amongst many other things

Planning Applications Circulated by email as usual. No problems to report

Porridge Championships Have had first meeting of Committee. Already quite a list of entrants

A.O.C.B. Carrbridge Hotel Incident. Nil further to report. It was noted that the Police has contacted AK as Chair to reassure us

Ellan Bridge RMcI noted that some of the wood struts were degrading, so temporary repair has been done. We need to know the Bridge Ownership. May now be CNPA responsibility as it is a Core Path: **SB** to ask Adam Streeter Smith

Cllr Lobban has the name of a Bridge Engineer who may help us (He did work in Aviemore)

Letters to transport Companies about Speeding LAnderson has composed letter and will send them by snail mail, so there will be costs

Concerns of Residents Track to Cemetery HC Road Sweeping Vehicle was seen up the track and It might have been encouraging hole formation. After the Meeting, we found out that it was sent up there to remove pine needles so the holes could be filled properly

Inconsistency of dropped curbs at junctions It was observed that this makes it difficult for Wheelchairs, Pram pushers and also for older folk and those who are less fit

Date of next meeting: Thursday 24th April 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village hall

Defibrillator Update - George Dyer

I have spoken to Ross Cowie on Skye and he is very positive about Carrbridge acquiring a defibrillator. Heartstart Skye, a registered charity, will provide a machine, free of charge, along with training for as many volunteers as we wish. All that is required is that we compile a list of volunteers, organise the venue and then coordinate with their chief Badenoch & Strathspey trainer. We would make a donation to the charity and they would organise annual checks of the machine, battery etc. and any refresher training. Ross would prefer an "outdoor" location for the machine, thus obviating the requirement for possible key access to premises and, to this end, Charlie Miller has agreed that we could use the outside wall of his house or construct a bespoke support structure on his property. The local contact (Russell Jones) has made a site visit and feels that the proposed location is perfectly suitable. The provision of a power supply can be addressed by taking a spur from Charlie's garage, tapping into the adjacent street light for power is not an option, as it is only powered up during the hours of darkness. The Planning Dept in Kingussie advise that permissions are not required in this situation.

Russell is willing to carry out training at any time operating on the basis of 1 trainer to 6 trainees (there are 11 trainers in the area). A maximum of 24 at a time would work best. He would bring the village's defibrillator with him, even if the site has not been completed.

Obviously the onus is now on us, as we have to construct a list of volunteers and work out suitable dates. Do we use Carrbridge News, social media, leaflet drop, Strathy, press gangs?? Additionally, we have to organise the construction of a suitable structure to which we would attach the defibrillator cabinet.