



TILlicOUNTRY COALSNAUGHTON and DEVONSIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTE OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING 14th March 2023

The Agenda was circulated prior to the meeting and was accompanied by notes relating to a proposed planning application yet to be submitted to Perth and Kinross Council for a new wind farm at Craighead Farm near Carnbo which lies east of our County.

Before focusing on the business for the evening we were visited by Alex Orr, Orbit Communications and Jason Morin, Galileo and by Ross Jamieson as their observer. They tabled information and disseminated copies to everyone present about a planning proposal for Craighead Farm followed by an informal presentation on the context for a new wind farm on the Ochil Hills describing that significant funding for communities within 10km of the wind farm might be forthcoming in the long run.

They were touching base with TCDCC at this earliest stage seeking feedback on what any funding might be used for and about the proposal overall. A cordial conversation ensued with questions posed. **ACTION: TCDCC to provide appropriate response in due course.**

ITEM 1 the Chairman DSJ welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The following were in attendance: Damian Sherwood Johnston Chairman (DSJ), Robert McLellan Vice-Chair (RMcL), Ewart McAuslane Treasurer (EMcA), Mark Briggs (MB), Alex Robertson (AR), Ian Millar (IM), Ronnie Beveridge (RB), Robert McAulay (RMcA) and Clackmannanshire Councillor Fiona Law (FL)

Apologies were received from: Marie Leal, Melanie White, and PC James Millar.

ITEM 3 A Draft Minute of Meeting 14th February 2023 was tabled by EMcA. **Moved by DSJ and Seconded by RMcL.** There were no matters arising that were not otherwise on the evening's agenda.

ITEM 4 the Gala Group met in The Royal on Wednesday 8th evening and completed their agenda for gala arrangements whilst delegating tasks. RB volunteered to act as Publicity Officer. EMcA briefed those present (Ian, Alex, Gillian, Ronnie) and IM indicated the onerous Regulations that must be met. IM has plans in progress but we need to secure more volunteers. It was a fruitful meeting through convivial discourse. IM presented additional key matters to this evening's meeting and Councillor Law volunteered to help in some way. **ACTION: Gala Team to continue with arrangements for the day.**

ITEM 5 The King's Coronation: £330 was unanimously agreed for the following:

- Plant a tree for Elma
- A fun day in Devonvale Hall
- A litter pick on 8th May 2023

ITEM 6 (1) Budget implications: MB suggested as he had done at our previous meeting that TCDCC write to Clackmannanshire Council (Chief Executive and copied to our Elected Members?) expressing our dismay at the Capital budget funding for Tillicoultry yet again being kicked down the road whilst such funding has been concentrated to elsewhere in the County, yet again. **ACTION: DSJ**

(2) RMcL suggested that a 'Position Statement' is issued that includes mention on the poor state and image of our town centre and public realm. This was readily agreed. **ACTION: EMcA.**



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(3) TCDCC needs to look at the prospects for The Ben Cleuch Centre, readily agreed. Community buyout may prove necessary **ACTION: TCDCC to explore options whilst understanding that perhaps due to legal limits placed upon community councils this may necessitate a new model for delivery for example formation of a social enterprise or a Development Trust?**

(4) It was identified in the local press that **Route C1/C2** is to be reduced. **ACTION: TCDCC to initially consult with our Elected Members and to then explore further as required and appropriate.**

ITEM 7 Development of Place Plan: CRT can work with us to year 2024/2025 and shall provide full details of our community feedback; covering issues and aspirations. CRT shall meet with TCDCC for a short briefing session prior to our next public engagement event, a 2hr session on 15th April 2023 in Coalsnaughton Village Hall. Is this going ahead now? CRT have mentioned that pas (Planning Aid for Scotland) have valuable expertise to provide. **ACTION: DSJ to liaise with CRT.**

DONM – Tuesday 11th April 2023, 7pm prompt at the Ben Cleuch Centre.

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