Culross Community Council

Minute of Ordinary Meeting of the Council on 6th June 2011

In Bessie Bar Tea Room

Present:
CCllr Martin McNair (Chair)
CCllr Clare Short (Minute Secretary)
CCllr David Alexander (Vice Chair)
CCllr Jeanie Carwardine
CCllr Diane Mackenzie
CCllr Robert Nelson (Treasurer)
Jayne Scott (Minister Culross & Torryburn Parish) & Member of Community

Apologies Submitted:
CCllr Roy McCormack
CCllr George Connolly

Ex Officio Present:
Cllr Willie Ferguson

The meeting started at: 7.30pm

CCllr Martin McNair in the Chair.

Agenda Item	**Narrative**	**Action & Owner**
Approval of Previous Minute	No amendment to 3rd May Draft. Proposed: David Seconded: Robert	
Approval Extraordinary Meeting Minute (25/05/2011)	Draft Minute was distributed and studied. No amendments. Proposed: David Seconded: Robert Matter Arising – On 27th May Diane received email from Shirley Teggin apologising unreservedly for giving any impression consultation process not carried out in a proper manner or questioning the integrity of the CCC or of Diane. Diane emailed all Cllr's on 30th May advising them of this apology and also that she had apologised to Shirley for any upset caused.	
Visitor Presentation: Jayne Scott, Minister, Culross & Torryburn Church	Jayne presented a historical document from The Abbey dating from 1754 detailing the churches' involvement in the villager's everyday lives at that time. Whilst The Abbey is central to Culross' past and heritage it also has a role to play in the present and future. All religions need to tackle the misconceptions of what Church is about if they are to survive into this new era. As always there needs to be community organising before any development occurs. Bleakest outlook would be for The Abbey to be handed over to Historic Scotland and worshipers having to attend a West Fife	

	delegation elsewhere in the area- only momentum from community will shape The Abbey's future- like all local churches.	
Matters Arising: Slate Loan update	Stage One: Stables to West Kirk completed. Subcommittee of Diane, Martin & David formed to advance Stage Two which involves information panels and seating etc. Robert asked if improvements of area could include relief drainage as been neglected for too long. Robert to arrange for assessment of works needed.	**DM, MM & DA to progress Stage 2.** **RN**
Matters Arising: Treasurer's Report	Copied of Annual Accounts 10/11 distributed and analysed (see appendix 3) Proposed: David Seconded: Diane Audited by Ira Dodds, Treasurer of Culross Church. Robert to arrange auditor's gift. Figures now to be submitted to Fife Council with application for 2011/12 grant.	**RN** **RN**
CAP Meeting "Quick Fixes"	See attached Table (Appendix 1) for progress.	
Table of Actions	See attached Table (Appendix 2) for update on previous Actions.	
Councillor's Report	Willie asked our view of Right of Way associated with Orchard View development. Members of CCC have no memory of area being a Right of Way, as always an enclosed space.	
Police Report	Willie reported that speeding in villages discussed again and police will be focusing their resources on this issue over the summer.	
Ash Lagoon Report	Next meeting Thursday 9th June. David & Robert will report next time.	**DA** **RN**
Planning	1) **Dochart Cottage**: House increases considerably in size but shielded by wall at roadside. Neighbours comments online are neutral and/or supportive. Unofficially other neighbours seem indifferent. DM to submit CCC support online. 2) **Pear Tree Cottage**: Garden Shed. According to plans, no window overlooking the coastal path and nobody seems to be talking about it. David said he discussed it with neighbour, Liz who did have some concerns about changes but applicant is going to show Liz plans. David will ensure Liz is satisfied. DM to submit CCC support online. 3) **The Boathouse**: David sent CCC response to central email address at Fife Planning but repeatedly bounced back. David to send Diane response and Diane will ensure CCC response is received by correct department. Diane asked whether Shirley's email to her closed the issues	**DM** **DM** **DM & DA**

	but David said Shirley informed him she would reply to us in writing about process.	
Correspondence List	As previously agreed, no full correspondence list produced. 1) Insurance policy renewed and received. 2) Carbon Capture Consultations-details to go in NB. 3) Mr. Vipond sent apology for accusatory tone of letter but insists stones at West Green are dangerous and should be removed. Looks forward to seeing solutions to parking issues. 4) J & M Watson questioned the neutrality of consultation evening venue being actual site of proposed development and advise in future (as in past) CCC consultation evenings should be held at Stephen Memorial Hall to ensure CCC neutrality. Complained to Fife Council as no neighbour notifications received or displayed. Also, expressed disapproval at CCC for not consulting the resident's of West Green before work on grass, as it has exacerbated parking problem.	**1) MM to file.** **2) MM to display** **3) MM to respond** **4) CS to respond.**
Chair's Report	Martin thanked Diane for spearheading Boathouse consultation, her hard work and effort was for the village to have its say. Martin thanked all Councillors for their fair and impartial conduct throughout the process and explained that he was unhappy at any suggestion the community council had been anything but impartial. Alternative to route to the one pursued would have been for eight councillors to speak for village whilst unsure of village's feelings. To clarify, not all planning applications will go through same process only those deemed contentious and the resident's will tell us what they think is contentious.	
WFVF	Not attended so nothing to report.	
AOCB	1) Phone Box posters. George can clean up but unsure how we could stop local groups advertising their fundraising events there. 2) Mr Reid from Caverns Farm contacted Martin to ask if he could be included in Culross community council area instead of Kincardine. Willie advised that Fife Council will not change the boundaries. Martin to respond. 3) Robert asked Willie if Winter Services were being moved from Elgin Street to Glenrothes. Willie said undecided yet but if did, Milesmark would still serve this area.	**GC** **MM**
Details of Next Meeting	Summer recess so no meeting in July or August. Next meeting Monday 5th September 8pm @ Town House.	

The meeting ended at: 10.30pm

This minute was approved by committee at the extra ordinary meeting on 12th July 2011.