

Avonbridge & Standburn Community Council
Monthly General Meeting
Held on Thursday 12th January 2017 at 7pm
Drumbowie Primary School

Meeting chaired by Jo Hirst

1. Present

Jo Hirst, Doreen Goldie, Ann Wallace, Ian McGillivray, Dave Cameron, PC Wallace, Ed Chappell and 6 local residents.

2. Apologies

Jit Singh, S Maguire, J Anthony, E. Lipski, J Hunter

3. Local Police Update

Since the last meeting there have been 21 calls made to police from the village of Avonbridge. Those consist of the following:

X8 Abandoned 999 X 1 Attempted Housebreaking X2 Public Assistance calls
X2 Road Traffic Enquiry Calls X1 Vandalism X 1 RTC X1 Dog Bite X1 Domestic Incident
X2 Police Information X2 Complaints re vehicles causing obstruction

For the village of Standburn there have been 6 calls made to police.

X5 Domestic Incident (on Going) and x1 Theft

With regards to crimes committed Avonbridge currently has 4 crimefiles which relate to Attempted HB (Old Post Office), Vandalism, Threatening and Abusive Behaviour, Wilful Fire-raising (Hillend Lodge)

Regarding Standburn 2 Crimefiles have been raised those relate to - Threatening and Abusive Behaviour and Assault.

Community Engagement and Reassurance

www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts

Reports from public at the meeting:-

- Standburn - Highway Maintenance flat bed truck is being parked overnight causing obstruction on the Main Road in Standburn, vehicle is obstructing the footpath and sticks out onto the road at an awkward angle – police requested to make enquiries.
- Police advised by residents of ongoing unwanted activity in the Standburn Drumbowie Park area.
- Avonbridge – Concerns were raised in respect of security after the fire in Hillend Lodge on Boxing Day.

4. Community Safety Team Report

None

5. Approval of Minutes

Proposed E Chappell seconded I McGillivray.

H Konkol's comments to be added as appendix to minutes when received by email

6. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting

- a) Wall at Avonbridge – advised work will commence week of 9th January 2017
- b) Condition of footpaths – no response as yet reminder to go to Gordon Hughes
- c) Arthur Berg FET – no response regarding upgrade of village Parks
- d) Books for Primary School Children – ASCC were thanked at the Drumbowie Primary School Christmas Service and positive feedback was received from parents of both schools.

7. Chair's Report

Correspondence

8. Treasurers Report

Current Bank Balance

ASCC Account = £ 390.91.

Burnhead Moss Wind Farm Fund = £2316.70.

9. Planning and Online Update/Report

Dykehead Farm – change of use of garage to bedroom

Hareburn Hatchery – change of use to residential

FB views 53 this month

Articles and local interest stories to be sent to Jill Davidson for addition to the facebook page

10. EDF Burnhead Moss Wind Farm update and Cares Grant Progress

- CARES Grant update – good first draft of tender document.
- Project team volunteers required – S Maguire, D Cameron, E Chappell, Jill Davidson all volunteered
- Proposed consultant to arrange public meetings in each village once appointed
- Interim grants now open £150 to £3000 – proposed link to be added to footer of minutes.
- Micro grants – 3 applications from the local beaver, cub & scout groups - approved.

11. Gardrum Moss recent activity and Wester Jawcraig issues

Wester Jawcraig – contacted FC (planning), SEPA, Scottish Water and SMPS – regarding odours from lime cake and processing of sewage sludge

Gardrum Moss – Contractors have started stockpiling digestates – several hundred tons – and Asbestos on site – photos sent on to all of the above.

12. Broadband provision in ASCC area.

Status of Avonbridge exchange can be checked using this link <http://www.telephone-exchange.co.uk/Avonbridge-ESAVO.html>. A more technical discussion of the various schemes in use can be found at <http://www.thinkbroadband.com/faq/sections/radsl.html#227> .

It was agreed we should invite BT to attend a CC meeting to discuss the variance of provision across the area – Action EC

13. Pedal for Scotland update

Rupert Martin from WMP Creative the event organisers of Pedal for Scotland has been contacted regarding a meeting with 3 local areas prior to the route confirmation for 2017, we are awaiting his response.

14. A.O.C.B.

- **Stevensons Avonbridge** – concrete blocks on their land – no action to be taken by CC regarding whether planning permission required or not. H Konkol will contact planning department direct.
- **Phone Mast Avonbridge** – H Konkol stated she did not expect ASCC to object to the planning application for the mast. HK then made a lengthy presentation highlighting her concerns regarding the mast. HK to email her comments if it is desired they are to be appended to the minutes.

Next Meeting Date

Thursday 9th February 2017 in Avonbridge Community Hall at 7pm

Useful Links:-

Burnhead Moss Windfarm – Grant applications

<https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/burnhead-moss-avonbridge-standburn>

Police Scotland - engagement survey

www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts