

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 9th May, 2012
at Logie Coldstone School.**

PRESENT: Cllr Peter Argyle, Cllr Geva Blackett, Cllr Katrina Farquhar, Simon Welfare (Chairman), Anke Addy, Sue Erskine, Archie Leith, Nigel Healey, Sgt Robertson, Constable Brown

APOLOGIES: Evelyn Smith

The Chairman welcomed the newly elected councillors to the meeting.

1. Cromar Report

1.1 Traffic Calming etc:

1.1.1 Parking at the Tarland-Aboyne path: The 'Passing Place' sign has been erected in the lay-by.

1.1.2 Footpath to the Knappieround Car Park: Simon to seek clarification/assistance from COAT. However, it was noted that the new speed limit sign has been erected across the proposed path.

1.1.3 Traffic accident adjacent to the redundant telephone box in Ordie: The request to the police for information concerning traffic accidents in the locality of the redundant phone box evolved into a Freedom of Information request which produced the answer that there had been no accidents. This answer is at odds with local knowledge.

Meanwhile, Ballater has expressed an interest in acquiring the phone box. Simon to follow up.

1.2 Diamond Jubilee: Tarland celebrations are planned to take place on Saturday, June 2nd. The Square will be closed for 24 hours from midnight on June 1. The MacRobert Hall will be available in the event of inclement weather and for the ceilidh in the evening.

1.3 Post Office Closure: The Post Office in Tarland remains closed but the Post Office head office continues to make encouraging noises. However, it is believed that the offers made to local traders to provide a post office service have not been sufficiently attractive.

An article in the local newspaper is proposed to highlight the problems raised by the closure.

1.4 Logie Coldstone Hall: The Hall Committee are meeting with architects to review options and likely costs. Fund raising events continue.

1.5 Village Farm: The number of houses proposed has been reduced from forty to thirty six whilst maintaining the number of affordable houses at nine

2. Tarland Welfare Trust/MacRobert Memorial Hall:

2.1 MacRobert Memorial Hall Renovation: A programme of activities is planned to mark the re-opening date on May 12th.

3. Tarland Development Group:

3.1 Tarland-Aboyne Track: The Tarland-Aboyne Track will be known as the Tarland Way and will be officially opened on June 23rd.

4. Cairngorm National Park Authority. Awaiting the result of the challenge to the Local Plan.

5. Police Report:

5.1 Sgt Robertson: Sgt Robertson, newly located at Aboyne and Ballater was welcomed by the CCC.

5.2 Diamond Jubilee Celebrations: Aspects of Tarland's Diamond Jubilee celebrations were discussed and the Chairman arranged to send details to Sgt. Robertson.

5.3 Speeding: Local officers are targeting vehicles approaching Tarland at excessive speed on the B9119.

5.4 Tarland Graveyard: The police are investigating the damage caused to gravestones in the Tarland cemetery.

5.5 South Marr Safety Initiative: Grampian Police indicated that the focus for this initiative is concentration on the safety of all road users in our area but there is a need for intelligence from the local communities. Speed surveys will continue to be carried out in the various wards but, in addition, any information relating to the following issues is requested to be fed back to your Local Policing Team, through the community council meetings process, by telephone on 0845 600 5 700 or by email to:

<mailto:mylocalpolicingteam@grampian.pnn.police.uk>

Simply title your message "safer roads" and detail your concern(s) on matters such as the following:

Speeding vehicles through villages
Drink/ drug driving
Drivers/ Passengers Failure to wear seatbelts
Driving whilst using mobile telephone
Anti social use of motor vehicles
Parking issues particularly at or near schools

It is hoped that, with your help, and by concentrating our patrols to any areas highlighted by our communities, together we can make an impact in relation to road safety in the South Marr area.

6. Planning Applications and Building Warrants

Tarland

28.02.12	12 Bridge Street Tarland AB34 4YN	Planning application for alterations and extension to dwelling house
28.02.12	12 Bridge Street Tarland AB34 4YN	Building warrant for erection of conservatory to rear of dwelling
07.03.12	Site Adjacent to Middle Davoch Steading Tarland AB34 4US	Amendment to Building Warrant reference number BW/2008/5169 - Omit Velux to sitting/kitchen area

Logie Coldstone

16.03.12	Site Adjacent to North Nib Logie Coldstone AB34 5NP	Planning application for installation of 2 spans of overhead line (Retrospective)
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The Community Council did not feel it necessary to comment on any of the planning applications.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 27th, 7pm at Tarland Primary School