

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 28th JULY 2010
at TARLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PRESENT: Councillor Peter Argyle, Simon Welfare (Chairman), Sue Erskine, Evelyn Smith, Archie Leith, Sgt. Stuart Clark, Nigel Healey plus 3 members of the public.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Rosemary Bruce

1. Tarland Report

- 1.1 Traffic Calming:** Cllr. Argyle presented an email from the Roads department which stated that the Traffic Management scheme had 'fizzled out' and; although it was in process of being restarted, they could not give any date by which time it and the speed limit assessment were likely to be completed.

The meeting expressed disappointment over a number of assurances about traffic calming in the Tarland area which Aberdeenshire Council had been made over the past four years, none of which had come to fruition. In particular, there was concern about the roads around the Aberdeen Arms, where the combination of a blind approach and a narrow footpath presented a particular hazard.

(Subsequently, an article in the local press indicated that the Aberdeen Arms corner roadway was to be painted out to encourage drivers to take a wider line around it but this has not been confirmed to the CCC)

- 1.2 Damage to Bridge Wall:** No progress. It was suggested that the CCC should write to the Church authorities about ownership. If no agreement is forthcoming, then Aberdeenshire Council may be able to repair the wall and then recharge the cost to the Church.
- 1.3 Recycling Car Park:** Cllr. Argyle is to chase up a response to the request to provide some sort of permanent structure to retain road salt in the Recycling Area car park.
- 1.4 Waste Bin:** The Alastrean Woods waste bin has been delivered and is located at the Aberdeen Road end of the Kirk car park.. It has already been well patronised by responsible dog owners.
- 1.5 Footpath to the Knappieround Car Park:** No further progress.
- 1.6 Dog Fouling:** Awaiting confirmation that a general purpose waste bin will be installed in the Tomnaverie car park.

1.7 Local Flooding: Further heavy rain has resulted in repeated flooding of properties on Aberdeen Road and the conversion of the Cromar Cottages road into a lake. Whilst the Cromar Cottages problem has been long standing (and may be the responsibility of Scottish Water), the Aberdeen Road problems have only developed over the last couple of years.

In addition, the track at the entrance to 'Crossfield' is flooding; it is believed that the pipe beneath the track may be blocked. Cllr Argyle to alert the Roads department to the problem.

1.8 Extension to St Moluag's kirk yard: Simon Welfare has had a conversation with the official in charge at Aberdeenshire Council. As he is newly in post, he has requested time to investigate and report back.

Given the strong local opposition to the plan, it is interesting that the Local Development Plan identified the Glebe land as the site for the extension.

1.9 Tarland Square Road Surface: Tarland Square has become pot holed in areas

2. Logie Coldstone Report:

2.1 Fence Deterioration: The fence has been repaired.

3. Coull Report:

Nothing new to report

4. Ordie Report:

Nothing new to report

5. Tarland Welfare Trust/MacRobert Memorial Hall

5.1 Fundraising: Fund raising to meet the cost of the Hall refurbishment continues.

6. Tarland Development Group:

6.1 AGM: The AGM will be held on 24th August and a photography competition will be held to encourage attendance.

7. Cairngorm National Park Authority

7.1 Local Development Plan: The Cairngorms National Park local development plan is out to public consultation

8. Police Report:

Apart from a couple of traffic collisions, there has been little to report. The community is encouraged to report examples of anti-social driving to the police as they find that these are often adequately dealt with by means of an educational chat rather than by recourse to the law.

The Police surgeries are generating an increasing level of interest. Unfortunately, the onset of the highland games/show season has meant that their frequency has had to suffer for lack of manpower

9. Planning Applications and Building Warrants

Tarland

10.05.10	Middle Davoch Farmhouse Tarland Aboyne AB34 4US	Planning application for alterations and extension to dwelling house to form sunroom
08.06.10	Overhead Line North Gellan to South Gellan Tarland AB34 4YR	Planning application for retrospective consent for 6 spans of overhead line

Logie Coldstone

25.05.10	Kinaldie Farm Logie Coldstone AB34 5NQ	Building warrant for erection of agricultural building
09.06.10	3 Sunnybrae Cottages Logie Coldstone AB34 5PQ	Building warrant for erection of extension to include kitchen, study, lobby, extend bathroom, install toilet, erect garages

Next Meeting: September 8th , 7pm at Logie Coldstone School