

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 9th JUNE 2011
At TARLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL**

PRESENT: Councillor Rosemary Bruce, Councillor Peter Argyle, Simon Welfare (Chairman), Anke Addy, Evelyn Smith, Sue Erskine, Nigel Healey, Simon Power, J.Wain (Grampian Police), D.McCloud (Grampian Police) Harry McNab (Bancon) plus 7 members of the public.

APOLOGIES:

Councillor Marcus Humphrey, Archie Leith

Correction

The minutes of the 6th April meeting stated that Logie Coldstone School was subject to the one year moratorium on school closures. This is not the case as Aberdeenshire Council's closure decision has been overturned by the Scottish Government without any time limit.

Subject to this correction, the minutes were approved

Village Farm

Simon Power (MacRobert Trust) and Harry McNab (Bancon) gave a presentation on the current plans for thirty-nine houses on the Village Farm site. The plans will shortly be presented for planning permission under the provisions of the current local development plan.

Serious concerns were expressed about the location of planned access road to the development, an alternative via Waulkmill Road being suggested. The developers undertook to review the access.

1. Tarland Report

- 1.1 Traffic Calming:** Subsequent to the meeting, the Roads department updated Councillor Argyle on the progress of the traffic calming planned for Tarland:
- The road marking parts of the traffic calming measures have been started and are being continued on an as and when in the area basis.
 - The extension of the speed limit eastwards on the B9119 Aberdeen Road and on the Coull Road is still with the Police for comment before a report is submitted to a Marr Area Committee (August?). The police are being urged to respond.
- 1.2 Tarland Bridge:** The coping stone has been replaced..
- 1.3 Footpath to the Knappieround Car Park:** No further progress.
- 1.4 Dog Fouling:** The waste bin for the Tomnaverie car park has been agreed in principle but has not yet been delivered..
- 1.5 Diamond Jubilee:** A sub-committee is being formed to plan and co-ordinate celebrations of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Both the Police and Aberdeenshire Council have indicated that there should be no difficulty associated with closing Tarland Square to traffic on Sunday, June 3rd, 2012.

2. **Logie Coldstone Report:**

2.1 *Speeding Traffic:* Concern was expressed at the apparently excessive speeds of traffic, particularly heavy vehicles, passing through the village.

The Roads department will organise a speed check as soon as is practicable.

2.2 *Road Deterioration:* The Logie Coldstone roads suffer, in common with most other areas in Aberdeenshire, from a number of pot holes. Two severe winters have left Aberdeenshire Council with a backlog of road surface and pot hole work which is being progressed.

3. **Coull Report:**

There are several deep potholes on the Coull road – the Roads department will investigate.

4. **Ordie Report:**

The Post Office is not responding to queries about the Ordie telephone box..

5. **Tarland Welfare Trust/MacRobert Memorial Hall**

The MacRobert Hall Renovation project is out to tender.

6. **Tarland Development Group:**

6.1 *Community Composting:* Nine fewer members have signed up for this year.

Aberdeenshire Council has agreed to support the Compost Group with transitional funding.

6.2 *Aboyne-Tarland Cycle Path:* A contractor has been appointed to complete the path.

7. **Cairngorm National Park Authority**

7.1 The legal challenge to aspects of the Local Plan continues.

7.2 The second iteration of the National Park Plan is being developed.

7.3 The Park Board are to hold their meetings at a variety of locations to improve accessibility.

8. **Police Report:**

8.1 Crime levels in the area remain low, recent incidents being:

- A theft from a holiday lodge in Logie Coldstone (under investigation)
- Motorcycle nuisance in Tarland (youth spoken to)

8.2 The mobile Police Surgery will return to Tarland during the summer.

8.3 Councillor Bruce has spoken to Inspector Todd about the excessive speeds of vehicles entering Tarland.

8.4 A complaint was raised about mud on the Aboyne Road.

9. Planning Applications and Building Warrants

Tarland

20.05.11	Braehead Farmhouse Tarland AB34 4UQ	Building warrant for alterations and extension and garage
28.06.11	Middle Davoch House Tarland AB34 4US	Amendment to building warrant reference number BW/2010/3726 - Addition of study and entrance hall

Logie Coldstone

18.05.11	Willows Logie Coldstone AB34 5PQ	Amendment to building warrant reference number BW/2009/3163 - Velux window installed in master bedroom in place of glass block wall
24.05.11	Site Adjacent to Firbank Chalet Logie Coldstone AB34 5PQ	Planning application for erection of electrical distribution shed for woodland holiday chalets
06.06.11	Morven Kirk Braes Of Cromar Logie Coldstone AB34 5PS	Building warrant for alterations to house
20.06.11	Land to the South of Schoolhouse Logie Coldstone AB34 5PQ	Erection of dwelling house and garage and sub division of feu

Coull

14.06.11	South Gellan Coull Aboyne AB34 5JX	Planning application for alterations and extension to dwelling house
09.06.11	Land at North Balnagowan Croft Coull AB34 5JQ	Planning application for erection of an agricultural building, hardstanding and formation of access

Next Meeting: August 17th at Logie Coldstone School.