# DUNURE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## **TUESDAY 15 May 2007 IN KENNEDY HALL, DUNURE, AT 7.30PM**

**SEDERUNT**: Mr Adam Montgomerie, Chair, Mr Roy Storie, Treasurer, Mrs Jean McGinn, Secretary, Mr David Broadhead, Mr John Eaglesham, Mr Andrew Guthrie, Mrs Margaret Masterman.

1. APOLOGIES: P C John Hamil, Mr Philip Findlay

Adoption of minutes for meeting of 17 April 2007.
 Proposed by Mr John Eaglesham, Seconded Mr David Broadhead.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: During the last twelve months there has been the ongoing progress of the Waste Water Treatment Plant, the main area almost completed, and the Pumping Station at Seaview now going ahead in spite of numerous objections. The Wind Farm proposal for Knoweside Hill has not progressed in any way and this may take some time to be resolved one way or another. The proposed coastal path from Ayr to Girvan has been held up due to some problems accessing the Drumbain part of the route. The alternative along the shore is neither practical nor safe owing to restricted access at high tides. Instead of this being complete by the summer it is now hoped to have this opened by late summer/autumn. The changes to the Local Plan have now been completed and there is now a probability of houses being built in the field between Fisherton Avenue and Ayr Road, There is a proposal for 30 houses plus landscaping here. Beach cleaning is ongoing. Police Matters: There has recently been some vandalism in the village but P C Hamil is aware of this and trying to keep under control. We now have four new local Councillors covering a larger area. Over the years we have had great support from Councillor Alan Murray who has now retired and we can only hope we get the same from the new Councillors. Thanks to P C John Hamil who faithfully attends meetings, and to all members for their commitment and ability to pull together. Co-operation with other village groups is helpful for the community to work together for the common good. Special thanks to our Treasurer Mr Roy Storie for keeping the books in order, and to Jean McGinn, the Secretary for the work she puts in.

## **Adam Montgomerie, Chairman**

Mr Guthrie gave a vote of thanks to Mr Montgomerie for his dedication as our Chairman.

4. POLICE REPORT: P C John Hamil gave his apologies: He had made enquiries about Station Road, namely reducing speed on this road and the possibility of 30mph limit all the way to harbour. He was told this was out of the question as there was no money available. On the problem of the bus park, he suggests we might try to an area painted with cross-hatching to keep clear for bus turning. He is also keeping an eye on the problem of anti social behaviour in the village.

Neighbourhood Watch is still in operation, and Mr Ian Grieve is still co-ordinator. P C Hamil suggests we invite him to a meeting to try and generate some interest in the village.

## 5. MATTERS ARISING:

- Railway Bridge: A sturdier mesh has been attached to the sides of the bridge to make it safer.
- Flashing Lights: As these are still not working we will try and ascertain the position here
- Pumping Station at Seaview: Secretary has contacted Scottish Water with various queries: Who is responsible for hedge cutting; will contractor repair area where we propose to erect a bench; if pumping station at Seaview goes ahead will this avoid the summer months, etc. No reply as yet.
- Bench: Report from Mr Findlay that this is going forward.

#### 7. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr Storie circulated a financial report and advised us at the present time there is a balance of £375.47 which includes balance of Petty cash of £21.77. From that balance there will be an audit fee of approximately £30 to be subtracted. A cheque for £50 to the Youth Club for fireworks has not been presented and the Auditor suggests, as this was over 6 months ago a new cheque should be written. Mr Storie asked if the £200 towards bench could be included in this financial year even though the cheque was not written until beginning of April. The Auditor confirms this will be in order.

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE:

- South Ayrshire Council: Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005. Looking for nominations.
- NHS: Cleaning Services Monitoring.
- NHS: Carers & Employment conference. Edinburgh 23 May.
- South Ayrshire Council: DVD Copies of Al Gore's climate change film "An Inconvenient Truth" is available free for hire from Libraries.
- Learning Opportunities Roadshow: Poster.
- Travel Connections for Maybole Fairshare area.
- South Ayrshire Council: Civic Pride Agenda.
- NHS "Promoting Mental Health & Well-being in later life"
- SNP
- CVO Update
- Southern Upland Partnership.

## 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

**Council Elections:** We have now four elected members and as we do not know at this stage how they are going to cover the area, Secretary will write to them with date of our next meeting and ask if they will be able to attend Community Council meetings.

**Co-Option:** Secretary advises we are short of a member and if anyone shows an interest we are able to co-opt for the period until end of March 2008.

**Motor Bikes:** Mr I Gardiner has expressed his concern about the speed of motorbikes on the A719.

**20mph or speed bumps**: There are a few drivers who are driving recklessly and too fast in the village and there is concern that an accident may be caused by them. We will approach our new councillors with this problem. Other areas have traffic calming measures with either 20mph restrictions and/or speed bumps.

Big Skip: A Guthrie will contact appropriate department to try and arrange this.

**Bins:** There is a problem with commercial waste being dumped into Euro Bins in the park. The Cleansing Department seem to be aware who the culprit is.

**Graffiti on Castle**: Two local youngsters saw the perpetrators of this spray painting and contacted Mr Broadhead. This resulted in securing the car registration, which was passed on to P C Hamil. Two men from East Ayrshire were charged. Mr Guthrie has been trying to get an estimate for the removal of this graffiti, which may be expensive owing to the castle being a listed building. Mr Storie suggested a statement for the notice boards explaining locals did not carry this vandalism and that the boys should be thanked in some way for their assistance in the arrest of these persons.

**Kirkbride Cemetery:** Mr Montgomerie will find out if this has been strimmed and will get back to us at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm and the next meeting will take place on Tuesday 19 June at 7.30pm.