

Kemback, Pitscottie and Blebo Craigs Community Council
Meeting – Harvey MacGuires- Pitscottie
11 February 2008

1. **Welcome** - The meeting was opened by Chair, Jack Lord who expressed our thanks to the management of Harvey MacGuires for graciously hosting our meeting commenting that on such an evening the warmth of the room was much appreciated. Jack further thanked everyone for making the effort to come out on such a cold night.
2. **Attendance** – Jack Lord (Chair), George Miller, Keith Auchterlonie, Ken Cochran (Secretary), Liana Steven (ViceChair), Fiona Bond, Julia Young, Alison Aiton, Sheena Sturrock. Fife Cllr. Bryan Poole. Twelve residents of the community were also in attendance.
3. **Apologies** – Graham Neilson (Treasurer), Simon Weller, Jack Johnston, Cllr Margaret Kennedy, Cllr. Roger Guy.
4. **Minutes** of the previous meeting on November 2nd 2008 were approved.
5. **Core Paths** – concern was expressed that Core Paths in the community run along main roads with no pavement for pedestrians. It was reported that Blebo House/Stables/Game Keepers Cottage have applied for the rights-of-way to be extinguished. It is planned to add the designation of minor paths to the Core path maps in two years or thereabouts. Core paths will be maintained by the local authority. It was also noted that the bridge at Grove House does not belong to Grove House and is on the Core Paths route.
6. **Secretary Report** – most correspondence is to/from Fife Council. Meetings have also been attended on Core Paths (see above), Hospital Travel Plan for the new hospital in St Andrews and “Meet the Police”. Julia Young will be our representative to the Travel Plan group.
7. **Treasurer Report** – A report from Graham Neilson was read to the council.
 - a. Balance £618.66
 - b. We must spend at least 80% of our grant in order to renew it. The recent Flyer distribution cost £121, and installation of benches will go most of the way to meeting that requirement.
8. **Planning** – Maps of the village envelopes for Pitscottie and Blebo Craigs have been obtained by Alison Aiton. There is some questions as to whether an envelope map exists for Kemback. Two planning applications have been submitted for Blebo. One within the envelope one possibly without, depending on whether it is current or proposed envelope that is used. Desire for objective measure for objecting/not to applications will be discussed further at future meeting.
9. **Pitscottie Traffic Calming** - Response from Fife Council outlines comedy of errors ... not yet operational ... ongoing for many years ... build outs were rejected ... signs approved 2006 ... signs that show actual speed are considered a distraction. Secretary will write to Gordon Hughes and Cc: Paul McLellan to get the signs fixed. Secretary to request prime (commuting) time enforcement from police.
10. **Road Conditions**
 - a. **Fliisk High Road** – lawyer advises that there is little else can be effectively done. Political capital with Fife Council is likely exhausted. Costs required from adjacent owners for adoption are prohibitive. Consensus seemed to be to let the matter rest.
 - b. **Q10 Back-** Runoff due to deforestation at Cairngreen woods causes Q10 to be closed on certain occasions due to flooding. Fife Council have sorted area near Rungally. Road near Kemback Bridge floods with runoff from field. Secretary will write to drainage engineer Martin Green also concerning back Clatto loan and S-bends at Blebo.
11. **Electric Power in Blebo** – Secretary reported that letters have been sent to Scottish Power regarding prolonged power outages to elderly residents in Blebo and Fife Council regarding street lighting outages.
12. **Vandalism of Blebo Phone Box** - was reported to police. Covert mobile CCTV could be brought in. Secretary will ask police to discuss Neighbourhood Watch
13. **AOCB**
 - a. **Dura View Bridge** – children can run direct onto road. Very narrow pavement. Secretary will request handrail and eventually pavement into village. Original intention of Dura View development was to pavement into village. Similarly 900 yards of pavement needed into Dura Den part of core paths
 - b. **Waste Reduction** - comment that Blebo doesn't need street lights from midnight to dawn. This will be placed on the next meeting agenda.

There being no other competent business the chairman, Jack Lord, closed the meeting again thanking Harvey MacGuires for their hospitality.

Next Meeting, at 7:30pm on Monday May 12th 2008 in Blebo Craigs Village Hall.