



# Torbrex Community Council

Notice of the Meeting of the Community Council due to be held in  
St Ninians Primary School at 7.15 pm on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

## Agenda

- 1. Present:** Community Councillors – John Buchan, Murray Dickie, Jim Docherty (Chairperson), Genia Graham and Hirek Kwiatkowski and in attendance – Cllr. Andrew Simpson, PC Kathy Kirsop and PC Tim Robinson.
- 2. Apologies:** Bob Johnston and Sue Ridler.
- 3. Minute of the Previous Meeting:** The minute was accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising:** None.
- 5. Correspondence:** Invitation to Attend BBC Trust meeting (Noted)
- 6. Community Police Report:** (Four crimes had been reported in the last month (two vehicle offence and two offences of shoplifting – in Kingspark area there had been one theft from an unlocked vehicle and two thefts by housebreaking). Considerable efforts had gone into encouraging legal parking by motorists attending football matches and an improvement had been noticed. Residents are encouraged to report offences and Kathy will e-mail traffic wardens. Efforts had also gone into encouraging the sensible disposal of litter with foot and bicycle patrols and contact established with the High School. The issue of cars waiting on Torbrex Farm road to pick up pupils was raised. It was suggested that temporary traffic cones could be tried to see if this improved the situation. Kathy indicated that the current priority was the safe use of fireworks.
- 7. Planning Report:** Concerns were still expressed about the notification of changes to planning applications, particularly relating to the old High School site. It was pointed out that this is now the responsibility of the Council, rather than the applicant.
- 8. Community Council Elections:** Six applications had been made and approved, so there would be no elections. A by election was available in February if other applications were forthcoming. The inaugural meeting of the new Community Council would be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2009.
- 9. St Ninians Community Development Trust – Stirling High School Garden Project:** The first two phases of the project are nearing completion. It is hoped that the polytunnel and the outside raised beds will be finished by the end of November. The third phase, the planting of an orchard and the creation of a quiet outside seating area, is hoped to start in the spring of 2010.
- 10. Beechwood Park Masterplan – Update (including Ice Rink):** Hirek reported that the Masterplan is now with the Council for endorsement. There are still concerns regarding the spending of the grant for tree planting. Council officers have assured the members of the steering group that this would be completed within the deadline and an application has been made to the funder to agree the minor changes brought about by the masterplan. Concern was expressed regarding the future of the ice rink, now that it has been abandoned following the move to the Peak. It was agreed to seek advice from the Council as to their views on the future of the site.
- 11. Environmental Improvement – Update:** A meeting is planned with the pupil council in Stirling High School to engage with pupils on a sustainable plan for the sensible disposal of litter during lunch times. A meeting with the Dog Warden will be arranged.

12. **Roads in Torbrex – Update:** There have been concerns with regard to lack of consultation on the process – complainants have been reminded of the three letters sent to all residents, the two community council newsletters and the three public meetings held. There have also been concerns about the quality of construction, the safety of pavement surfaces and the siting of some of the traffic calming objects.
13. **Health – Update:** The Stirling Community Health Partnership’s Public Partnership Forum is hosting a meeting on the New Larbert Hospital in SRI on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2009. A letter has been received from FVHB indicating that the Community Reference Group meeting on the new Stirling Community Hospital has been put forward to January 2010 to enable details to be put before members.
14. **Stirling HS Community facilities – Update:** The Area Community Planning Forum 5 is currently in discussion with Active Stirling, looking at the follow up to the “Give it a Go” open afternoon in Stirling High School. It is hoped to have details of their proposals for the next meeting of the Forum on the 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2009.
15. **Going Carbon Neutral Project:** Members completed their individual sheets. Nearly everyone was able to say that they had achieved the target – with the exception that some phone connected equipment (e.g. broadband hubs) had to be left on all of the time.
16. **A.O.C.B.** There were two items:
  - **Freepost license** – the license held by the Community Trust was due for renewal. It was agreed to send a cheque for the £91.50 to the Trust to enable this to be paid.
  - **Street lighting** - following on from complaints about the safety/lack of street lighting, an e-mail had been sent to the Council expressing dismay that only replacement lights were being tackled.

17. **Dates of Next Meetings:**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Location</b>
Thur	26 Nov 2009	SHS	Wed	23 Jun	SHS
<b>Dec</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>		Thur	29 Jul	MC
Tues	26 Jan 2010	SHS	Tues	31 Aug	SHS
Wed	24 Feb	SHS	Wed	29 Sep	SHS
Thur	25 Mar	SHS	Thur	28 Oct	SHS
<b>Apr</b>	<b>No Meeting</b>		Tues	30 Nov	SHS
Tues	25 May	SHS			