

# TEALING FORWARD

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## SPRINGING INTO NEW BEGINNINGS

I don't know about you but I always find Spring quite a hopeful month. The nights are stretching and all the wee flowers are starting to peep through. I actually saw some lambs in the field the other week! So just as we have started a new season, I am looking to continue to bring new things for Tealing.

I was absolutely delighted about the success of the first visit by M&G's On The Road. They certainly got a great welcome and, by all accounts their food was excellent.

They contacted me afterwards to say that it was a great visit for them and they are very much looking forward to coming back.

Behind the scenes (well really behind the hall door), things have been progressing. The Events Group met for the first time and we have already planned a few events for the community throughout the year. We are looking to target all ages so have planned a diverse range of activities.

A wee while ago I submitted a bid to the British Heart Foundation to ask if they would consider funding a community defibrillator for us. I was very chuffed that this bid was successful and we will be taking delivery of said

defibrillator in a few weeks. It will be sited at the Hall and, while I hope we never have to use it, I am sure it will be a reassuring presence.

GOGA (Get out Get Active) are coming to the village on 28 March for a pilot session. This is to be a gentle exercise and building strength group and I am hoping that this could become a regular event.

I have also been in discussions with some local crafters to see if they would consider running a workshop at the Hall. Would people be interested in a regular crafting class? I had thought about having a weekly "Chat and Craft" group whereby people could bring along their own projects, share some skills and have a blether. How would you feel about this?

The MAD Squad, as mentioned in the previous Newsletter is coming together nicely. We are still very keen for new members. This a group that really can come together and Make a Difference (MAD) to the area by doing wee jobs. It also helps men come together, use their skills, learn new skills and also make pals (plus a cuppy and biscuits) are thrown in too..... what more could you want?

Finally, as far as trying to organise things goes, I am hoping to establish a community cinema in the Hall. At the moment I am looking at licences, but I feel confident that this could be a great thing. Provisionally I am looking at holding the first event on 8 May which is the 80th anniversary of V E Day. So keep your fingers crossed that I can manage to work out all the logistics.

My job here in Tealing is to bring all sectors of the Community together. I can only do that with your help and support and I need your thoughts and feedback. For example, would you like to see an honesty sweetie stand in the village?

I am in the hall most Tuesday afternoons and now have a jazzy new work email [Community@tealingdt.org](mailto:Community@tealingdt.org) which I would like you to use and, of course, I can be contacted via phone on [07835221060](tel:07835221060).

I hope you like the way things are progressing. It is a new beginning and what has been done so far is just the wee head of a little flower peeping through the soil; hopefully it will thrive and bloom.

Pam, Community Projects Consultant

## PETTERDEN WOODLAND

Thanks to all who submitted their responses re the Woodland survey. Since the survey things have moved on. As it stands the Scottish Govt. Forestry department does not think there can be more than one path up the hill, going to a bench at the top. They advised that access would be an issue to create this and remove the fallen trees. One idea is to gain access via the DJ Laing site and we are currently awaiting their decision to see if this would be possible. Any thoughts please contact me.

[Community@tealingdt.org](mailto:Community@tealingdt.org)



## M.A.D MEN WANTED!!!

We are looking for men (of all ages) who would like to Make A Difference in the community be it by clearing shrubs, making planters, repairing fencing, painting etc. This will allow men (who can be at risk of social isolation) the chance to come together and improve the local area by carrying out small jobs. Bring some skills, learn new skills and help improve Tealing.

If you want to come along, please don't be shy and contact me at [Community@tealingdt.org](mailto:Community@tealingdt.org) or 07835221060.

We would be really delighted to have you on board!!

## QUIZ NIGHT

Tealing Hall Quiz Night Friday 16th May.

Doors open at 7pm for a 7:30 start. Teams max of five. Only £5 per person includes free raffle for a luxury hamper. Kids are free.

For more info contact – Kenny Brown



## LITTER PICKING

We have some litter picking equipment and wondered if any of you lovely locals would like to volunteer to pick up litter around the area. It has been suggested that a squad of happy litter-pickers may like to meet one weekend morning and pick some of the rubbish left lying about and then at the end enjoy a cuppy and a bacon roll. If you think this sounds like something you would like to do then please get in touch.

[Community@tealingdt.org](mailto:Community@tealingdt.org)

## EASTER QUIZ

### WIN A LARGE EASTER EGG

1. What football team plays their home games at Easter Road?
2. Who were the two main leads in the film Easter Parade?
3. The monolithic sculptures on Easter Island are also known as The ....?
4. What was the name of the Apostle who betrayed Jesus?
5. What is the name given to a baby rabbit?

Entries to be dropped into the Hall or emailed to me [Community@tealingdt.org](mailto:Community@tealingdt.org) by 17 April and the winner will be picked at the Afternoon Tea on the 18th April (Good Friday). Please ensure you add your name and address.

**Fun Casino Night at Tealing Hall**

**Saturday 19 April 7.30pm**

Tickets £24 including Lucky Gaming Chips, Wine on the Table, Hot Supper and Dancing

All proceeds to support  
**STOP TEALING INDUSTRIALISATION**

Dress Code: Smart with a Touch of Glamour

Tickets Available from:  
alison.wiseman@googlemail.com  
and all STIG members

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## UPDATE FROM TCC CHAIR, STEVE MCSWIGGAN



Much of the focus of TCC members since the last Newsletter has been spent on various consultations and responses from the community regards energy infrastructure projects in Tealing.

A quick recap of that is that the SEN application for a 220-acre substation at Balkemback Farm garnered the single most objections to any planning application to Angus Council in their history. Well over 1800 objections were lodged - many from current and former residents of Tealing and surrounding areas. A large amount of effort was put in gathering information from a variety of landowners, residents and environmental professionals so that TCC could put in a strong objection document outlining the reasons why this proposal should not go ahead in its current format when it eventually comes to a full Angus Councillors committee meeting. To be clear not one of the many hundreds of approaches to TCC were in favour of this project and associated plans in our village.

It is anticipated the planning determination will happen between now and June. We hope that TCC and other invested parties are given the opportunity to present an oral submission at the planning meeting where the decision on SENs substation is to be made. Four years of over 100 trucks travelling to the site daily seven days a week for 12 hours a day as per SENs own submission is a horrific disruption for many residents' enjoyment of their life in this rural area.

This month also saw the final public consultation for the OverHead Line (OHL) routing from Kintore to Tealing. SENs plan, as expected takes the shortest route, oblivious to locals concerns about proximity to housing, use of good land and disruption to farming locally. Their planned route will see the view up to Craigowl Hill peppered with an array of super pylons of over 200ft irreparably changing the landscape around this local landmark across the Sidlaw hills. SEN have been deaf to alternate routes proposed should the substation go ahead at Balkemback.

We trust that the local councillors recognise the strength of local opinion on this and refuse the application so that a public enquiry is forced as to the need for it in the first place.

There is much to be debated on the evidence for the whole planned industrialisation of over 1000 additional acres in Tealing now that the UK Government have removed their effective embargo on windfarm and energy generation closer to market in England.

For anyone wishing to discuss this in more detail please do feel free to contact me directly on 07821589881 or via the TCC email address.

## COMMUNITY POLICING UPDATE

Tealing now comes under Forfar and District and as a result the contact email for the community policing team has changed. It is now:

[TaysideForfarDistrictCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:TaysideForfarDistrictCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk).

Please use this email to contact the team regarding any non-emergency issues.

## A90

As residents of Tealing we all have concerns regarding the speed of traffic and the number of road traffic accidents occurring on our stretch of the road. At our last meeting Cllr. Beth Whiteside advised that residents can email her directly at [CllrWhiteside@angus.gov.uk](mailto:CllrWhiteside@angus.gov.uk) with concerns regarding the A90 and she will forward to the relevant department.

## TCC MEETINGS

The meeting dates for Tealing Community Council are as follows:

16 April, 18 June, 20 August and 22 October (AGM)

Meetings are held on a Wednesday in the rear meeting room of Tealing Hall and start at 6.30pm. Local residents are most welcome and as always are encouraged to attend the meetings.

If you want something in particular discussed, please get in touch beforehand either by emailing [tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com) or by Facebook messenger – look for the above logo on Facebook.

We still have room for one more member – if you would like to join TCC please email [tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com](mailto:tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com) with a personal statement indicating your interest.

## FACEBOOK

TCC has a new public Facebook Group: Tealing Community Council – Public (same logo)



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### TEALING EVENTS GROUP

18 April – Afternoon Tea. This is being organised by Hilda Young who has been busy taking names of people wanting to attend. If you want more information please contact Hilda or myself.

16 May – Quiz Night (organised by Kenny)

16 August – Summer BBQ

7 December – Christmas Fayre

June - Bingo Night

September - Colours Fashion Show

Please also check the Hall Bookings on the website for other events that are taking place.

### M&G'S FISH & CHIPS VAN

Will be back serving the people of Tealing on Tuesday  
1 April between 4.30 pm and 7.30 pm.  
Pre Orders (from 4pm) welcome on 07712581734.  
Cash only folks!!

Get Out Get Active TAYSIDE

## Strength & Balance

\*\*\*NEW CLASS STARTING FRIDAY 28th MARCH\*\*\*

Fridays 10.30am-11.30am

Tealing Village Hall  
Hall Road, Inveraldie, By Dundee, DD4 0QW

### CONTACT

For any questions about our community development initiatives contact Pam Mulgrew, Community Projects Consultant  
Community@tealingdt or 07835221060

### SCHOOL NEWS

We are delighted to share that the Tealing football team came first in the Rural Schools Championships! The game was played at Gayfield Park in Arbroath, which the children absolutely loved. Here is our team!



We have also participated in the Rural Schools Championships against the other Forfar Cluster Schools. The children did very well. There were questions from 'What is the currency in Japan?' to 'What do you call a river that is shaped like a 'u'?'. The children were very smart and respectful and we all enjoyed a good evening together.



## Afternoon Tea

18 April 2025

2-4 pm

All Welcome

To book and for dietary requirements please contact Hilda Young or Pam at community@tealingdt.org  
This event is FREE