

TEALING FORWARD

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TEALING ACTIVE TRAVEL ROUTES

Following on from our local paths survey and discussions with local residents and walkers, we're pleased to report that Angus Council is commissioning an in-depth study of potential active travel routes in the village. The study is currently out to tender and the council hopes to appoint a consultant soon. The format is likely to be similar to the one recently conducted in Inchbarr (available online) and local groups and residents will be involved in the consultations. The study will thoroughly determine the various path options and take a rigorous look at prioritisation and deliverability.

"Investing in active travel is proven to be excellent value for money: every £1 spent on cycling and walking schemes provides almost £6 worth of benefits, including improved health and wellbeing, reduced congestion and better air quality."

- Cycling UK

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY WOODLAND?

There are now hundreds of community woodlands across Scotland, many of them owned and run by local developments trusts along with groups of local volunteers. Some are the size of large forests and others are quite small spaces. Most offer a rich mix of leisure, education, health and outdoor activities such as woodland paths, picnic areas, outdoor learning for children and adults, fitness trails, wood sculptures, insect and wildlife preservation, planting and woodland management. We're starting to explore whether there is scope for developing a small community woodland in Tealing and thinking about potential sites. If you have any comments or suggestions on this topic please email secretary@tealingdt.org



As we beaver away steadily behind the scenes, working to implement the community action plan and trying to do the right things for Tealing, we can never be sure how much impact it's having and whether a specific project will take off. So it's hugely encouraging to hear this month that the council is persuaded by the local consultations we previously did to explore the options for vital paths and cycle ways. Please be sure to participate and have your say.

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TCC MEETING UPDATES



We met with senior representatives of SSEN, including their lead planning officer and Head of Corporate Governance, on 15th August. This was to discuss the upcoming formal planning application for the third substation in Tealing to

be sited at Balkemback Farm and the cumulative impact of the development with associated pylons routes, battery storage facilities and solar farms in and around the area. It's fair to say that SSEN make much of their claims to be engaging with the community, with a series of consultations and the appointment of community liaison officers. In practice though, our observation is that these discussions have had zero impact on SSENs plans for our area. They refuse to make any changes to their plans despite our community challenging the site and scale of the substation. They have presented no evidence to us on why other sites identified by community members (which do not ride over the local area plan) should not be considered, and are doggedly moving forward with their proposal for the 220-acre site at Balkemback. Concerns about the impact of this on increased traffic, pollution, loss of agricultural land, flood risk and road safety have been downplayed, whilst proposed alternatives have been dismissed as too costly or at higher risk of flooding – even when our local knowledge proves that to be inaccurate.

Some residents have heard that the site will go ahead regardless of the local protests against it as it is part of the National Net Zero plans. Whilst there is a certain feeling of doom descending on the inevitability of these plans, we will advise on how you may wish to add your objections (or support them) when formal planning permission is sought later this year. We know that a pre-planning application has been submitted and that SSEN representatives are able to meet with and discuss their application with the planning officials in Angus Council. No such courtesy is extended to the community council to discuss their concerns with the same planning officials. Minutes of the August meeting are available on our Facebook page.

CHANGES TO RECYCLING

Glass will no longer be collected in the bins. All households are getting a new blue bin for paper and cardboard only, to be emptied every 4 weeks. Plastic bottles and pots, tubs and trays, and food and drinks cans and cartons will continue to go in the grey bin. Glass MUST be taken to glass recycling points. The council is increasing the number of glass recycling points from 23 to 190. The purple (non-recyclables) bin will continue to be collected every two weeks and there will be random checks on their content to be sure the new guidance is being followed.

PRIMARY 7 LEAVERS

TCC treasurer Hilda Young went along to the primary school to present the P7 children with Amazon vouchers as a parting gift from TCC – we hope you are all settling into and enjoying high school! Hilda is pictured below with Sandra Hood, Head Teacher along with the P7 pupils.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

TCC's AGM is on Wednesday 23rd October, to which all residents are invited. Meetings are held in the rear meeting room of Tealing Hall and start at 6.30pm. If you are coming along and want something in particular discussed, please get in touch beforehand either by emailing tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com or by Facebook messenger – look for the above logo on Facebook. New members are welcome.

SEPTEMBER SUPER DRAW WINNERS!

Congratulations to the five lucky winners of the Tealing Super Draw who each won £100.

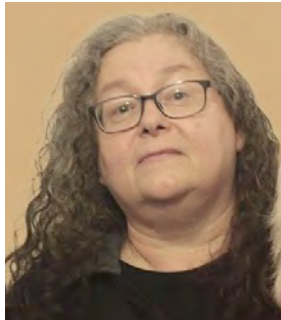
Graham Campbell,
Niki Lamond, Ruby Burke,
Gillian Donnachie, Ann Davidson.

Thanks to all who support the hall by taking a number. The next draw will be the end of year biggie when £1400 is up for grabs at the Hogmanay celebrations.



TRUSTEE CHANGES

Tealing Hall SCIO has a new booking secretary in life-long resident, Gloria Gibson. Gloria replaces Kirsty Muir who stepped down in September. We'd like to thank Kirsty for all her efforts during her time in the role. Gloria can be contacted at booking@tealinghall.org



Gloria, hall booking secretary

TEALING FOR ALL NOVEMBER QUIZ NIGHT

The next fun quiz night takes place on Friday 22nd November. Doors open 7pm for a 7:30pm start. Only £5 per person, max of 5 in a team. Includes free raffle for a luxury hamper. Bring your own drinks and snacks.

TEALING FOR ALL HOGMANAY CELEBRATIONS

Tickets for this always popular event will go in sale at the November quiz night. Thereafter contact Kenny 07443494719. Adults £10 Kids £5. Bring your own booze and snacks.

TEALING HALL BUILDING PROJECT GROUP

The hall futures study earlier this year concluded that, if the hall is to function as a vibrant community hub for the long term, then either a major refurbishment or even a rebuild may be necessary. This is largely because our much-loved hall was erected as a temporary building by the RAF in the 40s and is increasingly hard to heat and insulate properly. In that connection, a joint working group of members from the hall charity, the community council and the new development trust has been formed to consider and cost the options. There's no rush and regular users and residents will be kept informed. Before any decisions are made there will be consultation events for anyone who wishes to have their say. If you would like to submit any ideas or comments, please send them to secretary@tealinghall.org

Tealing Hall

Feasibility Study & Options Appraisal



Tealing Tuesday yoga



5.45pm, Tealing village hall

CONTACT

For any questions about our community development initiatives contact secretary@tealingdt.org

Carve out some time for yourself and join us for weekly yoga with Selena on Tuesday evenings. 4 week sessions £32, book on Eventbrite or message Urban Yoga on Facebook.

TEALING SCHOOL UPDATE

The school year is off to a busy but good start at Tealing Primary. This year we have 39 pupils including 5 pupils in nursery. We have 2 new feathery additions however - Cheeky and Ginger, our two chickens, have arrived and are settling in. It's been quite eventful so far as they keep escaping, which the children think is wonderful! However, their large living area now has netting over the top and we are hoping that they will get up to less "adventures".



FUN & GAMES

We had a fun afternoon at the 'Tealing Olympics' with children representing their houses in a variety of events including climbing, shot put, gymnastics, football, golf and a relay race.



Pupils also attended the M&M Production of 'The Railway Children' at forfar Academy alongside other local rural schools. Member of P4-7 have been learning about being safe on their bikes and some are completing Level 1 and 2 Bikeability. You may have seen them out on their bikes!

RETIRAL

Our school catering assistant, Mrs Jane Ingram, is retiring on Friday 4th October. Mrs Ingram is well loved by pupils and staff alike and will be sorely missed. We're having a 'cup of tea and cake' event at 12 o'clock that day and members of the community are most welcome to come along.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

We would welcome members of the community volunteering in school, whether this is a lunch time or after school club or to support the Pupil Leadership Groups at 11.50-12.30 on Wednesdays. Please contact the school office for further details.

CHRISTMAS FAIR 30 NOVEMBER

A date for your diary – The Parent Council hopes to hold our Christmas Fair on Saturday 30th of November. We hope that you can come along.

SSEN TRANSMISSION COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUNDS UPDATE

SSEN Transmission has launched its first community benefit fund for organisations across the north of Scotland to apply for a share of £2 million for projects they hope will aid skills development, support the culture of local communities and help alleviate fuel poverty. It covers the SSEN Transmission network area and aims to fund larger-scale projects that create sustainable value for communities. Applications are open until Friday 22nd November, with a minimum funding application level of £40,000. This will be followed by local funds dedicated to communities situated close to the new infrastructure developments. For Tealing, significant funding is expected via the Kintore – Tealing 400kV Connection project. The UK Government is currently considering its guidance for close communities funding and (in response to its initial consultation) suggested £200,000 per km of overhead line. The local funds for larger new projects will be designed in partnership with communities with independent decision-making at its heart. Should the project go ahead, awards are expected to coincide with the start of main construction. If you have any questions, please contact Gary Hughes, Economic Development Manager, at gary.hughes2@sse.com