

MONIFIETH AREA PARTNERSHIP

Top Three Identified Priorities

- ❑ Town Centre Redevelopment – Town Hall
- ❑ Rural Transport Links
- ❑ Improved Sports and Leisure Facilities – particularly at the High School

Action plans and associated costings for each priority to be delivered to Angus Community Planning Partnership for consideration in partners' budget processes by June 2006. These priorities will also be highlighted in the new Community Plan.

TOWN CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT – TOWN HALL

3 Possible options have so far been identified:

Option 1

When and if Tesco present redevelopment proposals, Angus Council Planning Department and Leisure Services will seek to provide as part of the redevelopment:

- Community Hall
- Library/Museum
- Council Offices

Possible funding routes could include:

1. Capital funding.
2. Lease option – may be preferable as time conditions written into lease agreement – longer term. Downside – cost implications if lease is broken.
3. Prudential borrowing

Option 2

Consideration should be given to a scenario if Tesco is not involved in any future planning development or the Community do not agree with the proposals negotiated with Tesco.

- How could funding be forthcoming?
- Possible site for Community Hall?

Option 3

Possible redevelopment of South Church Hall site

Would require negotiation, partnership working with the three local churches to agree a development plan which suites all parties involved.

Business Opportunity linked to all 3 options

Potential for a coffee shop linked to Hall/Library.

RURAL TRANSPORT LINKS

In line with the aims of the Monifieth Area Partnership, Monifieth should be seen as the connecting 'hub' of all transport links with the 'spokes' of the rural landward areas.

The objectives to realise the above mentioned aim can be stated as follows: -

1. To utilise the Monifieth Rail Station Car Park as the bus station for all buss services i.e. Strathtay and John Petrie operations, emanating from the landward areas prior to their onward journeys, either east to Carnoustie/Arbroath or west to Dundee.
2. To pursue with urgency the implementing of the 2003 Tay Estuary Rail Study i.e. formulating of an hourly stopping service at Monifieth both east and west ('Up' and 'Down' lines).
3. To link objectives 1 and 2, hence enhancing the 'hub' and 'spokes' theory of infeeding of co-ordinated transport to a central point for onward 'seamless' travel.
4. To liaise with TACTRAN (Tayside and Central Scotland Transport Partnership) to realise objectives 1, 2 and 3.
5. To explore the feasibilities of pathway development/extensions in and around Monifieth. This objective to include cycle routes e.g. to Parks seen as Monikie and Crombie from Monifieth.
6. On the realistic basis that public transport does not appeal to all travellers, car parking facilities must be considered especially if objectives 1 and 2 come to fruition. Possible parking sites could be within the Riverview Park area, either at the Recycling Plant or Foundry Road, south of the Station. Both considerations are dependent on ownership negotiations.

IMPROVED SPORTS AND LEISURE FACILITIES

- PARTICULARLY AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

Current Projects

At present Leisure Services are responsible for the management for casual public use of the High School pool and games halls at weekends and over the school holiday periods.

Monifieth Further Education Association (MFEA) offers a wide range of courses to the public.

'The Friday Night Thing' is co-ordinated by PC Fuggacia, Tayside Police's Youth Issues Co-ordinator, and offers various events for youths on Friday evenings at the High School. This project is linked to the Integrated Community Schools Project and is assisted by volunteers. Its aim is to encourage youths off the streets and become positively active in the events on offer, whilst hopefully reducing nuisance, noise and vandalism.

High School Facilities – fitness provision/pitches.

Cycle Routes.

Footpath Routes.

Monifieth Area Partnership Health Improvement Sub-group.