

TEALING FORWARD

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PATHS SURVEY

Thanks to everyone who responded to the survey and came along to the small event on 2 March in the hall to discuss the feedback. Backing for the most popular routes was:



Inveraldie to Kirkton of Tealing	72%
From the school to the A90	66%
The Speckled Hen to the Shielhill Road	64%

Several other paths and trails with potential to come back into use were also suggested by individuals. We'll keep those in mind, especially if they're easy to clear up and the landowners are supportive, but the main focus will be on the top three. Angus Council has agreed to consider the school to A90 roadside path as part of the larger Angus Active Routes 2025 initiative. Our community coordinator, Gillian Barclay, is looking into the possibility of getting feasibility studies done for the other two paths and can be contacted at gillian@otbds.org or 07748 075014. We're also talking to PATHS FOR ALL SCOTLAND and the National Lottery for advice and potential help with funding. We've learned from other places in Scotland that path projects can take many years to implement, but this is clearly a priority for residents and so we'll press on.

TEALING HALL AS A COMMUNITY HUB

The consultant's report by Alan Jones Associates is now complete and the hall trustees are carefully considering the conclusions and recommendations. Thanks to everyone who responded to the online survey and took part in the interviews. The good news is that the hall is structurally sound, but requires fairly significant upgrading and refurbishment if it is to become a dynamic community hub - open more often and with improved facilities and more regular activities. That's what the majority of residents who responded said they wanted. A comprehensive refurbishment of the building and car park could cost over £500K, so there's a lot to think about. For a copy of the full report and recommendations, please contact the Hall Secretary Donna Millar at hall@tealingvillage.org or talk to any of the Hall Trustees (names on page 3).

DEVELOPMENT TRUST (MEMBERS) AGM – THURS 13 JUNE at 7.45pm in the Hall

Date for the diary - Tealing Development Trust resident members will all be warmly invited to join us for refreshments and a light supper in June. Together we'll hear how the first year has gone, vote on the next team of director/trustees and find out what's in the Five-Year Community Action Plan for the village.

Not sure if you're a member or interested in becoming a director? Contact Trust Secretary, Diane Begg at secretary@tealingdt.org to find out or join online for free at www.tealingvillage.org All members will get a personal invitation by email or letter nearer the time.

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TCC MEETING UPDATES

At the community council meeting on 21st February, we had representatives from Banks Renewables (soon to be OnPath Energy), the business proposing the Fithie Energy Park (battery storage) in Tealing. The company is keen to work with the local community and welcomed questions on the night – 11 residents were in attendance as well as the community councillors. The key points from the Q+A session were:

- Timeline – May/June consultation with the community > designs to be submitted for consultation with TCC and residents > circa January 2025 planning application to be submitted.
- If approved, work on site would not begin until after SSEN begin building the second power station at Balkemback.
- Up to 560 containers could be placed in the Balnuith area (size of each approx. ½ shipping container).



COMMUNITY CONSULTATIONS

On Thursday 7 March, community councillors and a large number of residents went along to the SSEN Consultation Event regarding the Kintore-Tealing 400kV Projects in Tealing Hall. A resident asked that the community council facilitate a Public Meeting to allow the community to discuss the issues and concerns about the second substation and battery storage proposals. The meeting was arranged for Thursday 14th March and over thirty residents attended. As a result, an Action Group has been set up to take forward the many concerns expressed.

We also took part in the Tealing Hall SCIO meeting on 14 March to hear a summary of the report and recommendations arising from the recent Appraisal carried out by consultants about the future of the hall.

SEAGREEN COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

A reminder that we have some microgrant funding from Seagreen Wind Energy to support smaller community projects. We encourage anyone with a good idea to complete an application form - available via Tealing CC Facebook group or email tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com.

Recent successful applications were for the Xmas tree at Tealing Hall and a New Age Kurling set for use by local community groups.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL CONTACTS

Our community councillors are Kerry Kirkland (Secretary), Hilda Young (Treasurer), Chris Allan (Planning contact), Donna Dingwall and Gloria Gibson. The role of Chair is currently unfilled. If you you'd like to get in touch, please use the email address in the para above.

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2024

Our meetings this year are on 17th April, 19th June, 21st August and 23rd October (AGM) in the rear meeting room at Tealing Hall and start at 6.30pm. Residents are encouraged to come along and will always be made most welcome. If you want something in particular discussed, please get in touch beforehand either by emailing tealingcommunitycouncil@gmail.com or by Facebook messenger – look for our logo on Facebook.

The Wednesday afternoon social group enjoyed some great tunes and a singalong with the volunteer players from the TAY UKES in March - many thanks!



TEALING FOR ALL EVENTS

WEEKLY SOCIAL GROUP

Every Wednesday afternoon our group meets in the hall to enjoy some company over tea and biscuits, sometimes home baking. Musical afternoons, new age kurling and once-a-month we have a lunch together of soup, homemade bread and pudding. Times can vary slightly so check first by following the announcements on the hall's Facebook page.

WALKING GROUP

Every Thursday our small walking group meets in the hall car park at 10:30 am taking various different routes.

SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL CLUB (FANCY A CURRY?)

Once a month on a Saturday, the hall is open from 3pm until midnight for a social club/pub style event. April 27th and May 25th are the next two dates. For the April event we have secured the services of expert cooks of Indian food and will be serving delicious curries 6:30pm until 8:30pm. May 25th is cup final north and south of the border. Come along and enjoy the drama with your fellow Tealing friends. Bring your own booze and nibbles.

QUIZ NIGHT FRIDAY 10 MAY

Our ever-popular quiz night is on Friday 10th May. 7pm for a 7:30 start. £5 per person with a max of 5 in a team. Includes free raffle for a luxury hamper. Everyone is very welcome to all of the events.

TEALING SUPER DRAW – MORE LUCKY WINNERS!

The winners of the March draw were William (Tipper) Thomson, Iris Whyte, Donna Millar, Jimmy Handy and Kath Bissett - all winning £100. Congratulations and thanks to all who take a number. The next draw is on 29th June. If you'd like to join the draw call 07443494719.

TEALING HALL SCIO TRUSTEES

We are fortunate to have some new volunteer trustees – village residents Gill Holmes, Donna Millar and Kirsty Muir. We welcome them and thank them for stepping up to the challenge. The team is now Kenny Brown (Chair), Donna Millar (Secretary), Gill Holmes (Treasurer), Kirsty Muir (Booking Secretary), Fraser Smith (Health & Safety/Maintenance), David Roulston (Building & Maintenance) and Niki Lammond – thanks all!

SKILLS APPEAL – WHAT'S YOUR HIDDEN TALENT?

This is an appeal to all you talented folks out there. Can you, knit, crochet, bake, forage, paint, garden etc? Please consider sharing your talent with others. No teaching ability necessary - just a bit of your time and patience to guide all abilities. We want to learn the traditional family way. We'd like to help organise small groups at the hall who are interested in learning a new skill. To find out more and if you have any ideas or suggestions - please contact hall trustee Kirsty Muir at Kdmuir@outlook.com or 07555 789458.

DEVELOPING THE HALL AS A COMMUNITY HUB

A thorough appraisal of Tealing Hall was recently carried out by management consultants Alan Jones Associates with financial support from Angus Rural Partnership and the results are in. Thanks to everyone who participated in the online survey and in-depth interviews. The Executive Summary will be published on the website soon and copies of the full report and recommendations can be obtained by contacting hall@tealingvillage.org or talk to any of the Hall Trustees for more information.

HALL TRUSTEE CHANGES

The Hall Committee would like to express our gratitude to three volunteer trustees who stepped down at our recent AGM after long years of sterling service - Kay Dennis (treasurer), Neil Dewar (secretary) and Derek Connor. They have cheerfully and generously given up so much of their time to serve our village community in ways that are mostly unseen. Thank you all very much!



Neil Dewar



Kay Dennis



Derek Connor

TEALING SCHOOL UPDATE

We have all been busy at Tealing Primary. The children are successfully leading changes through the Pupil Leadership Groups. The Eco group are tidying out the Polytunnel and are looking forward to some planting next term. We would welcome any donations of seeds, bulbs etc. Thank you!

The Reading Leadership Group arranged for a fun and interactive World Book Day and are continuing to keep us all engaged in reading. We've been enjoying some paired reading recently too with older pupils reading to younger pupils. The Digital Leadership Group has been working with a parent to develop our website. They are very motivated by this and have great plans – more information to follow soon!



The STEM group have been working with a volunteer to prepare for our chickens! They have been making a chicken feeder and somewhere for them to live. We are all very excited to be at the stage of some chicks arriving next term! Here they are working on the chicken feeder in the STEM shed.



The school now has CCTV to support security in the evenings and weekends. Unfortunately, we had some vandalism over a couple of weekends. The Police visited the children and the children and staff reported what they had found.

We now have a Monday night Skilz Academy club until 4.30pm. This is running until the school summer holidays. After Easter we will also have a board game/lego/chess club on Wednesdays after school and a walking club on Thursdays after school. The role of Breakfast Club Supervisor will be advertised, hopefully over the Easter break. Also, P4-7 have done really well representing the school at the Rotary Quiz and football competitions. The team came first in the Rural Schools Cross Country Championship.



TEALING FOR ALL WED AFTERNOON 1.30PM SOCIAL GROUP SPRING PROGRAMME

17/04/24 – to be confirmed
 24/04/24 Soup and Pudding lunch (12:30 start)
 01/05/24 Fun Quiz
 08/05/24 New Age Curling
 15/05/24 Seated Exercise with a Smile!

22/05/24 Soup and Pudding lunch (12:30)
 29/05/24 Cuppa, Cake & Chat
 May & June - to be announced
 3 July - Bus Trip outing to Anstruther and Fish Tea

Big thanks to our wonderful volunteer coordinator, Caroline Brown and her cheery team of helpers, who do so much to ensure everyone enjoys themselves – all welcome.

DID YOU KNOW?

This lovely gate up at Petterden was gifted by the Fotheringham Estate to the community of Tealing to mark the Coronation of George V1 in 1937. It's clearly being well looked after and still looks splendid with its black and gold paint.



CONTACT

For any questions about our community development initiatives contact Gillian, Tealing Community Coordinator, at gillian@otbds.org