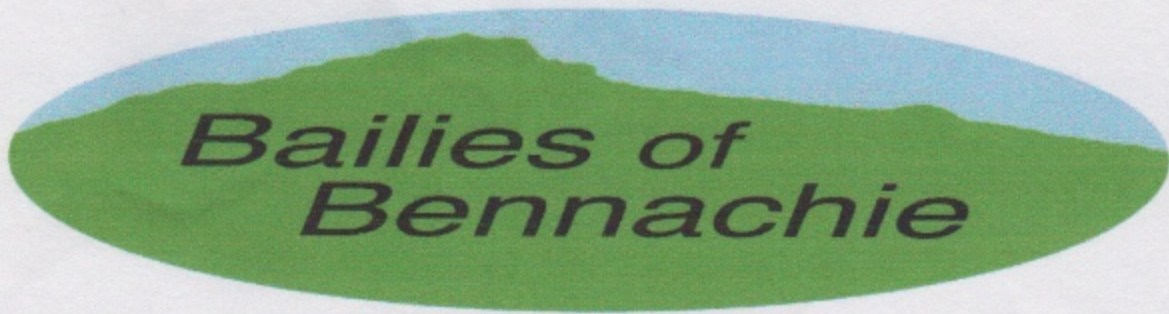


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6 April 2010

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Dear Bruce *Taylor*

The Bailies of Bennachie were formed in 1973 and has over 5000 members that care about Bennachie and its environment. The Bailies of Bennachie Council (with approximately 15 members) represents the views of the members. Last summer the Bailies Council became aware that the turnpike path and sections of the Rowantree to Mither Tap path were beginning to deteriorate and were in need of attention to prevent further damage. The severe weather this winter has caused additional damage and the need for repair work to be carried out has become more urgent. The new way marking system is also causing considerable confusion.

The Bailies Council would like to invite you to a special Bailies meeting on Wednesday 28 April 2010 , at the Bennachie Centre at 7pm. This meeting will also involve Calum Murray who is the new Communities, Recreation & Tourism Manager Forestry Commission Scotland for Moray & Aberdeenshire Forest District. It will be an opportunity for you to discuss maintenance plans and future issues and also coordinate with Forestry Commission repair and maintenance schedule for the hill and discuss way marker issues etc.

I hope you can attend this meeting and I look forward to your reply

Yours sincerely

Michael Neely(Clerk to Bailies of Bennachie Council)

Mike Neely

From: "Cumberbirch, Jackie" <jackie.cumberbirch@forestry.gsi.gov.uk>
To: "Mike Neely" <a.m.neely@btinternet.com>
Sent: 08 June 2010 13:34
Subject: RE: PITTODRIE ESTATE
Mike

Shall I speak to the lady?

I assume that you and Ann are meeting on Friday to go through articles sent etc...I have asked Calum from some photos too.

If you send an example of newsletter I will look at over weekend or alternatively I will look at draft on Monday evening if you like at your home...let me know what suits? My home email is jsang83928@aol.com.

Ann - sorry I did not get back in touch with you re Algy and calendar as away...I did try to phone you today - if you have any queries please phone me at home tonight tel 01467 6324734.

Good luck both of you (and of course Barbara) on Friday!

best wishes

Jackie

From: Mike Neely [mailto:a.m.neely@btinternet.com]
Sent: 08 June 2010 08:43
To: Jackie Cumberbirch
Subject: Fw: PITTODRIE ESTATE

Jackie

For info

Mike

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From: [Bruce Taylor](#)
To: [Mike Neely](#)
Sent: Monday, June 07, 2010 4:44 PM
Subject: RE: PITTODRIE ESTATE

Mike

The "general manager" at the hotel is Kate Kennedy. She is new to the situation and although her remit covers the whole estate I think she has her hands full just trying to manage the hotel. The previous manager did not last very long so it is quite difficult to build up any sort of working relationship at that level. However, it would do no harm just to emphasize that there is a public expectation that the paths etc are managed and to explain what the Bailies do to make things better.
Tel 01467 681744

With regards

Bruce

From: Mike Neely [mailto:a.m.neely@btinternet.com]
Sent: 07 June 2010 10:03
To: Bruce Taylor
Subject: Re: PITTODRIE ESTATE

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Bruce

Thanks for your e-mail. I did not mean plan - but we as Bailies feel it is important that we introduce ourselves to the new owners of Pittodrie estate and let them know how much we care about the hill. So I would be grateful if you could send me their contact details.

Mike

Bailies of Bennachie, Registered Charity SC013298

----- Original Message -----

From: [Bruce Taylor](#)

To: [Mike Neely](#)

Sent: Monday, May 24, 2010 2:13 PM

Subject: RE: PITTODRIE ESTATE

Mike

Is this some sort of joke?! As you know, I attended a Bailies meeting recently to update you on the position with Pittodrie Estate. There is no change: the hotel company do not, as yet, have a plan for the hill.

If you want to discuss further, please phone.

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From: Mike Neely [mailto:a.m.neely@btinternet.com]

Sent: 24 May 2010 14:00

To: Bruce Taylor

Subject: PITTODRIE ESTATE

Bruce

I have been asked by the Bailies of Bennachie Council to the new owners of Pittodrie Estate to establish their plans for their part of the hill. I would be grateful if you could provide with the contact name and address of the company involved.

Mike

Bailies of Bennachie, Registered Charity SC013298

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