Whitehills & District Community Council

Whitehills Public Hall

When it was built in 1910, Whitehills Public Hall became the focal point for many community activities such as concerts, dances, whist drives, wedding receptions, sales and many other events organised by local groups and organisations.
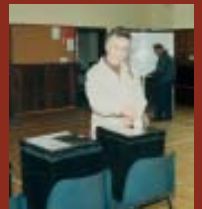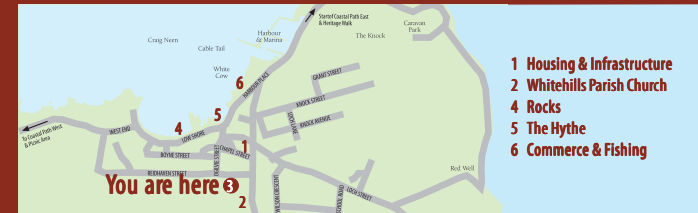
Plans for a hall had been drawn up by local residents and tradesmen, but these were shelved when it was decided to seek funding from the Carnegie Trust, set up by Fife born business tycoon Andrew Carnegie, for the purpose of helping small rural communities build halls and other facilities for the benefit of local residents.

One condition laid down by the Trust was that halls had also to provide library and reading room facilities. This was duly accepted by the people of Whitehills and is stated in the inscription carved on the gable of the building.

Two large cupboards were placed in the hall in which books were to be stored, but no books were ever provided and the cupboards eventually ended up in the local school, where they were used for storage purposes.

The hall was upgraded some years ago following a major fundraising effort and the building is still widely used by local groups.

Immediately to the west of the hall is a building, now a dwelling house, which for many years was the village's Police Station.

Main picture:
Whitehills Public Hall on Reidhaven Street
1 & 2 Scouts Gang shows
3.   Voting Day 6 May 1999
*   - To elect new Scottish Parliament*