

HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 19th January 2016 at 7.30pm in Mosstowie School

Chairman	Mr O Smith – Spynie	Mrs S Hodder - Pluscarden
Vice Chairman	Mr S Masson – Alves	Mrs D Kelly - Alves
	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff	Mrs A Masson - Alves
	Mr J Mountford – Dallas	Mrs L Smailes - Pluscarden
	Mr N Sutherland - Dallas	Mrs M Evans - Duffus
Apologies-Mrs S Fennings-Mills	Mr J Smith - Birnie	Mr G Mackessack-Leitch - Alves
	Mr P Austin - Roseisle	Cllr. A Wright
	Mr C Souter – Miltonduff	Cllr. D Ross

Ogilvie welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2016

Minutes of Meeting of December 1st 2015 – Although at the previous meeting it was decided to pay the secretary two equal instalments of £250 for an honorarium it was pointed out that this was actually for the secretary and the treasurer in previous years, after discussion it was decided that the secretary would still get £250, firstly in March and then in September, the expenses should be less than in previous years as there should be less printing done now that the secretary is not keeping paper copies of all correspondence. The treasurer will also claim expenses for printing etc and an honorarium will be discussed at the next finance meeting.

The minute was approved by Scott Masson and seconded by Neil Sutherland.

1.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

- 1.1 There are now four signatories for the bank account, Ogilvie, Scott, Sarah and Lindsay and the grant has been received from The Moray Council for £394.
- 1.2 Defibrillators – Mosstowie School do not want one now as there are too many conditions attached.
- 1.3 Neil met with the landowner at Ardgilzean who agreed that the trees were causing a problem for mirrors on vehicles but as yet nothing has been done.
- 1.4 Still waiting on Pam Gowans to arrange to attend HCC meeting.
- 1.5 Transport Service Requirements – Colin has completed questionnaire.
- 1.6 Date for Finance meeting re-arranged for 2nd February in Mosstowie School at 7.30pm
- 1.7 Dallas gritting –e-mail received from Bill Ross and circulated.

2.0 CORRESPONDENCE

2.1 Guidance has been received by post on Rural Grouping – scattered villages and the impact that individual houses scattered throughout the community has, if houses are grouped together then it is easier to have one collection point for bins and bus pick-ups. This will be discussed at the next planning meeting and Cllr Ross is to forward the information to Colin.

3.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

3.1 Tree planting at Easter Colfield-between Roseisle Maltings and Easter Colfield – No Objections

3.2 Tree planting by Cawdor Forestry at Rothies Estate-on the boundary of Heldon – No Objections

3.3 Erect House with garage on site 450m NW of Burnside, Miltonduff – No Objections

3.4 Garage at 4 Ballantine Circle, Miltonduff – No Objections

4.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 Cllr Wright was thanked for clearing up the problem that arose when a road was closed at Mosstowie without warning and also noted was The Moray Council are to be commended for the prompt response on potholes when they are reported on the website.

4.2 There is a review at the moment on catchment areas for schools, this particularly affects Alves and Mosstowie pupils going onto secondary education.

4.3 The report in The Northern Scot on changing bin emptying frequencies was unfounded and Cllr Ross said that perhaps the council employee was possibly mis-quoted.

4.4 Road between Craigend and The High Manse at Dallas-B9010 requires serious attention due to the verge being narrow and tarred over grass-Cllr Wright to investigate. Also no progress on the road at Branchill.

4.5 Lack of piles of grit on minor roads – Cllr Ross to investigate.

4.6 The new street lighting with low LED bulbs which is being replaced in towns at the moment will be done in all areas in time.

4.7 Can the gritter which grits the road at Mosstowie go in past the school as although the school have a grit bin it is only the school janitor who is allowed to grit the car park and he is only there one hour per week.

4.8 The applications for Rothies 11 are to be in by the next meeting on 1st March 2016.

4.9 The community support officer has asked if she can come to the next windfarm meeting-she cannot come to a finance meeting but any member of the public can come to a normal meeting.

4.10 Cllr Ross apologised for his lack of attendance at previous meetings.

4.11 Findrassie road has had potholes repaired 5 times in the last 18 months, it requires a proper patch-Cllr Wright to investigate. Whin bushes obscuring driver's view at Duffus Road and the carrot lifters are leaving earth on the road at ??????????????

The chairman then closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Next meeting – Finance meeting 2nd February 2016

DATES FOR 2016: 1st March, 19th April, 31st May, 12th July and 23rd August

Minutes sent out 31st January 2016

