

HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 29 May 2018 at Mosstowie School

Chairman	Mr J Mountford - Dallas	
Treasurer	Mrs L Smailes - Pluscarden	
Secretary		
	Mr Scott Masson - Alves	Mrs A Masson - Alves
	Mr Neil McLeod - Miltonduff	Mrs M Evans - Duffus
	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff	Mr P Austin - Roseisle
	Mr Neil Sutherland - Dallas	Mrs D Kelly - Alves
Apologies	Mrs S Hodder	Ms J Kirby
	Mr C Souter	Councillor R Edwards
	Mr J MacKessack-Leitch	Councillor J Cowe

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mrs S Hodder, Mr C Souter, Ms J Kirby, Councillor Edwards and Councillor Cowe.

2. POLICE REPORT – April Safety Report

This had been received by members. There were no major issues.

3. PROPOSE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Apologies were added from Councillor Edwards and Councillor Cowe then the minutes of the meeting on 17 April 2018 were approved. Proposed: Neil McCleod. Seconded: Kenneth Milne.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- a. Flooding upstream of Elgin: A brief missive has been received stating that there is no effect. But Jim had met a man from Pittendreich who stated that the flooding is mainly due to a culvert under the railway. He has been in touch with the MSP but has not received a reply. Does this culvert belong to the railway? Colin has had a response from the Flood Alleviation Scheme and will bring this along to the next meeting.
- b. Safety at Fogwatt: Willie was not present so no progress reported. However, enquiries are being made as to the legality of electronic mileage signs.
- c. Rothes funding: There are no problems with this.
- d. Gordonstoun/Duffus junction: Mary reported that following a visit from a road engineer, arranged by a Duffus resident, the verdict had been that there was no economically viable solution. There seems no point in pursuing this through the Community Council at the moment but she will check with the Duffus Hall Committee at their next meeting.

5. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Most of the correspondence had been circulated.

- a. Celebrate CC on Twitter: Jim said that he wasn't intending to tweet but we have now got a Facebook page which we have been asked to share.
- b. Parking on Duffus Road: a visitor to the area had commented on the parking up the Duffus Road in Elgin. The complaint was noted but little can be done as it is outwith our area.

- c. Community Council Workshop Survey: there are two questionnaires. Jim asked members to read and respond.
- d. SCC Development Centre Workshop: if anyone would like to attend there are funds available for expenses.
- e. ELC Careers 09 June: again there are funds available for expenses.
- f. Red Ensign Day: localities are encouraged to fly the Red Ensign.
- g. Village Furniture: brochures/catalogues are available.
- h. Quarriers report: a newsletter is available.
- i. Licensing questionnaire: members were encouraged to respond.
- j. Speeding: the P & J has asked for reports of areas where speeding is a concern.
- k. Healthcare meeting: 31 May

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

Lyndsay gave her report. We have £27,176 of which £25,900 is Windfarm balance. Alves have returned £4,315 and this is from Rothes 1. The Rothes 11 money is in - £21,500. Rothes 1 will be due again after the end of May. Rothes 11 will be in at the end of October but it was felt that we should hold this over so that the deadline would be the end of January. We need to decide on deadlines for applications. It was felt that we should have two fixed dates each year, one for Rothes 1 and the other for Rothes 11. It was decided to have the Rothes 1 deadline at the end of August with the finance meeting in September and Rothes 11 at the end of January. These dates can be put on our Facebook page. The Miltonduff project is finished. There will be a presentation shortly for Rothes 111, probably within the next 3 – 4 weeks.

7. PLANNING

There were no comments on the planning items.

8. AOCB

- We have to decide whether to sign up for the Clash Gour Windfarm. It will be a single finance plan for the whole of Moray. We can sign up to express continuing interest. The community benefit is a separate issue. There was some discussion on the issue but it was decided that we should sign up and maintain interest.
- Concern was expressed over the current state of the Council.
- The subject of the new traffic lights at the Comet roundabout in Elgin was raised. There have already been two accidents. Concern was particularly expressed about the difficulty of exiting Mayne Road and turning right to these lights.
- Neil asked who he should contact in the Council re a padlock on the right of way which gives access to the rear of his buildings.
- Concern was raised about a van parked on the side of the road at Brooks Cottage, Kellas.

JCC Report

CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

The next meeting of Heldon CC will be on Tuesday 10 July 2018, possibly at Alves Hall.

DATES FOR 2018 10th July, 21st August and 2nd October.