

MINUTES AND ACTION ITEMS - Lennox Community Council

Location: Clochan Village Hall

Meeting Date:

27th June 2018

Meeting Attendees:	▪ Colin Hanover (Chair)	CH
	▪ Donald Cameron	DC
	▪ Angus McNair	AMc
	▪ Mike Reid	MR
	▪ Denise Robson	DR
	▪ John Wright	JW
	▪ Anna-Mary Overing	AMO
	▪ Marc Macrae (Councillor)	MMc
Apologies from:	▪ Pringle George	PG
Minutes taken by:	▪ Denise Robson	
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Next Meeting Date:	29th August - Fochabers	

Items Discussed

2) Minutes of previous meeting and outstanding actions

DC asked for a correction to the minutes stating that “he was gagged and the Chair did not allow him to explain to the Council the advantages of his agenda”. Several members of the Council disagreed with this statement and the Chair pointed out that Council members were aware of both the advantages and the disadvantages of the old style agenda and minutes. It was agreed that no correction to the minutes was required. DC asked for his dissent to be recorded as a result of the Council not approving the correction he had requested. DC said he felt mortally insulted.

MR proposed approval of minutes, seconded by AMO.

Email addresses were checked as some Council members had not received the minutes.

4) Environmental and Well Being Update

DC agreed to remove the poster from the notice board regarding additional volunteers being sought for the Heritage Museum in Fochabers.

A discussion ensued about who had keys to the notice board. DC has a key and will retain his key. JW to ask Lynn to return her key.

CH suggested a separate meeting to look at planning and organising events.

5) Treasurer’s Report

No Treasurer’s Report was recorded.

6) Planning Report

A number of planning issues were discussed with no real issues raised.

A discussion took place regarding the change of designation to a path in Fochabers. Gordon Castle own the ground and it felt that the change might make it easier for the owners to prevent access to the pathway. MR also expressed concerns that removal of the designation could result in the area being developed.

CH has suggested speaking to the owners and to local people. CH will respond to the email advising our course of action

DC again asked for his dissent to be recorded.

7) Correspondence/Matters Arising

The Crown Estate was asking local people to manage land for no recompense. A short discussion took place about Canada Day. It was noted that there were Canadian personnel in the area and it was agreed that an invite to the service should be extended to these personnel.

It was suggested that the grass at Dallachy memorial should be cut before any services are due to take place.

8) Councillor Feedback

MMc advised that approximately 12-15 jobs were going to be lost within the Council in order to allow for more senior positions to be advertised with a view to recruitment for these posts.

9) Roles and Responsibilities

These were briefly discussed.

10) Out and About

There is an event in Fochabers on 22nd July – it was felt it might be useful for members of the LCC to attend if possible.

Libraries and Leisure take responsibility for co-ordinating events in the area

It was agreed that attendance at surgeries was generally poor. DC concurred with this having been a member of the LCC for a significant period of time.

It was suggested that the profile of LCC needs to be raised and we can then look at putting together events etc.

11) AOCB

JW confirmed everything was in hand for Canada day, AMc will assist with road signs. All admin is complete. MR asked that a deputy could be recruited for helping with this role.

AMO asked if it was possible for the B9014 in Fochabers to be closed for the service on 11th November as there was an issue with cars coming out of Gordon Castle during the service.

AMc will be discussing the Climate Change Fund with the finance team.

An email had been received from the fire brigade regarding tombstoning in the area

DC advised he would resume his role as secretary if it was agreed that he could revert back to the old style agenda and minutes and if CH resigned as chair. JW asked if any compromise could be reached. No compromise suggested or decided.

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MR has agreed to report any HGV vehicles using Den Farm Road

It was agreed that DR would take the LCC computer until such time as a secretary was recruited or another LCC member needed to use it.

The password change was reviewed and seems to be working for most people.

JW advised that he had heard from Douglas Ross that the new Vodaphone mast was still not functional and he will contact Vodaphone again

New Actions

Ref	Action Items	Status	Who	Due By
27/6/18	Collect key for Fochabers notice board	Open	JW	
27/6/18	Email response to change of path designation	Open	CH	

Outstanding Actions

Ref	Action Items	Status	Who	Due By
	LCC Computer future use	Open	CH	
	Vodaphone Mast	Open		
30/5/18	Think of ideas on how we might better our situation in the community	Open	All	27/6/18
30/5/18	Information needed for siting of defibrillators	Open	PG	
30/5/18	Possible purchase of new gazebo	Open	All	