

## HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on 21 August 2018 at Mosstowie School

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Mr J Mountford - Dallas</b>	
<b>Treasurer</b>		
<b>Secretary</b>		
	Mrs S Hodder - Miltonduff	Mrs A Masson - Alves
	Mr W Duncan - Fogwatt	Mrs M Evans - Duffus
	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff	
<b>Attendee</b>	Mr O Smith	
	Councillor R Edwards	
<b>Apologies</b>	Mrs L Smailes - Pluscarden	Mr C Souter - Miltonduff
	Mrs D Kelly - Alves	Mr S Masson - Alves
	Mr N McLeod - Miltonduff	Ms J Kirby - Miltonduff
	Mr P Austin - Roseisle	Mr J MacKessack-Leitch - Alves
	Councillor Patience	Councillor Cowe
	Councillor Allan	

The Chairman welcomed members to the meeting.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mrs L Smailes, Mr C Souter, Mrs D Kelly, Mr S Masson, Mr N McLeod, Ms J Kirby, Mr P Austin, Mr MacKessack-Leitch, Councillor Patience, Councillor Cowe and Councillor Allan.

#### 2. POLICE REPORT – There was no report to comment on.

#### 3. PROPOSE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

An amendment to Item 6c) in the previous minutes had been proposed by Lyndsay Smailes and this was accepted. Item 6c) now reads *Planning application 18/00246APP: gone to appeal. An objection was sent by HCC but was not admissible as the council said they had no record of its receipt before the deadline.* With this amendment the minutes were approved. Proposed: Willie Duncan  
Seconded: Kenneth Milne.

#### 4. MATTERS ARISING

- Clash Gour: the Memorandum of Understanding had been forwarded and the members were advised to read this. Jim said that he would not sign it until everyone was happy with the terms and conditions. We will continue to talk to them.
- Scottish Rural Group: no action taken.
- Planning application 18/00246: Sally reported that it had been decided to let matters drop. Those in planning seemed to be aware of the matters that Colin had raised and every point raised by HCC had been covered by individuals. It was felt that as much had been done as could be.

It was pointed out that anyone wanting to submit a personal matter should not do so as a Community Councillor.

- Overhanging trees: there is no report from Joanne as yet so this cannot be progressed. Councillor Edwards pointed out that he can speak on our behalf on this issue. Any trees overhanging the road can be cut back.

- e. Fogwatt safety issue: Willie had met with Douglas Ross. They had walked round the area, looking at junctions and taking photos. The cost of a pavement is £140,000 but a possible partnership could be with Moray Paths. Willie has spoken to Ken Major (Senior Engineer, Traffic) for other possible funding sources.
- f) Councillors at HCC meetings: Jane has emailed the four HCC councillors. Councillor Edwards is happy to come along and be our representative. It would be helpful to have a representative from Lhanbryde.
- g) Speed smiley faces: Wind farm money cannot be used for these.
- h) Milntown speed limit: there was a request for the 40 mph limit to be extended to include the new houses.
- i) Douglas Ross: Douglas has asked if he can attend a meeting. The meeting agreed that he would be very welcome.

## **5. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Most of the correspondence had been circulated.

- a) Direct Services – road maintenance: the online survey has been completed.
- b) Community Learning Exchange: money is available if we would like to visit other councils.
- c) LEADER hosted visits: it was felt that there was no need for us to take this up.

## **6. TREASURER'S REPORT**

Lyndsay had submitted a report as she was unable to attend the meeting.

- Since last time cheques have cleared for Pluscarden Hall joinery (painting is just about finished and will be invoiced soon), Fogwatt Hall fire door and Milntown Hall crockery.
- Remaining items on the wind farm accounts are Dallas rifle club roof, Dallas defibrillator and the rest of the Pluscarden Hall painting.
- The balance on Rothes I of £4,315.24 is what is left of the money returned by Alves Hall (plus reallocation of several small amounts that were left on old completed projects) after the sponsorship for Cairngorm to Coast. This amount is available at any time for allocation.
- The total bank balance is £21,507.28 of which £20,240.12 is wind farm money. The remaining £1,267.16 is Heldon's money. We have only spent £95 this year and the year end is September 30 so if there are any outstanding expenses to be claimed these should be sent to Lyndsay as soon as possible
- The deadline that we have posted for the applications for the next round of funding for Rothes I is 31 August. Lyndsay knows of one and possibly two projects but she reminded everyone of the date. A Finance Meeting date was agreed for Tuesday 11 September at 7.30 at Mosstowie School.

There was a brief discussion about honoraria. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

## **7. PLANNING**

All planning applications had been circulated by Colin.

Additional items:

- a) Kirkton Cottage, Alves: no problems
- b) Bardonside, Birnie: no problems
- c) Blackmyre, Dallas: no problems. Planning takes the access road into account.

## **8. AOCB**

- Kenneth reported that the wall on the bridge on the way to the nursery had been knocked down and nothing was being done about it. This should be the responsibility of the owners.
- Sally reported that from 17 September to 12 October it was thought that the road from the Hall in Pluscarden to the Church was due to be closed. This is for road widening. She will confirm when she knows more.

**CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

The next meeting of Heldon CC will be on Tuesday 02 October 2018 at Mosstowie School.