

HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held 06 August 2019 at Fogwatt Hall

Chairman	Mr J Montford - Dallas	
Treasurer	Lyndsay Smailes - Pluscarden	
Secretary		
	Mrs A Masson - Alves	Mrs S Hodder - Pluscarden
	Mrs M Evans – Duffus	Mrs D Kelly – Alves
	Mr N McLeod - Miltonduff	Mr W Duncan - Fogwatt
	Mr K Milne – Miltonduff	Mr N Sutherland - Dallas
Attendee		
	Councillor R Edwards	
	Alison Hood	Berry Burn Windfarm
	Micheál Ó’Broin	Berry Burn Windfarm
	Peter Kane	Berry Burn Windfarm
Apologies	Mr C Souter – Miltonduff	Ms Jo Kirby - Miltonduff
	Mr S Masson - Alves	Mr P Austin - Roseisle

The Chairman welcomed members and the Berry Burn representatives to the meeting

1. BERRY BURN

Alison, Micheál and Peter gave a presentation about the new Berry Burn 2 project. The original windfarm consists of 29 turbines and this second section will have a further 10 turbines. Planning will be submitted early next year and there will be a series of exhibitions prior to this so that the public can feed into the planning process. Community funding of around £175,000 will be available. We were invited to discuss various options available and to approach them later with any further suggestions.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Mr Scott Masson, Mr Colin Souter, Mr Peter Austin and Ms Jo Kirby.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes were approved. Proposed Mr N McLeod, seconded Mr N Sutherland.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- Councillor attendance: It was made clear that we do not expect all councillors to attend our meetings. In the past we have had an attendee from the Heldon and Laich Ward and one from the neighbouring Fochabers-Lhanbryde Ward. Councillor Edwards has agreed to continue as the Heldon and Laich representative and it was agreed that we would invite a councillor from Fochabers-Lhanbryde to attend.
- Clash Gour: representatives have been invited to one of our meetings but have not so far attended.
- Dallas hydrants: these are tarred over and so far no action has been taken.

- d. Community Council expenses: this had been raised at the JCC meeting but it is not clear how many CCs, if any, do claim expenses and if so, for what. Councillor Edwards will investigate.

5. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Most of the correspondence had been circulated.

- a. The JCC meeting will be held on Thursday 08 August
- b. The Energising Communities meeting is scheduled for 30 August in Forres Town Hall at 7.00 pm.
- c. Grass cutting equipment: the Council has indicated that there is no redundant equipment as it is still being used.
- d. Rural Transport Conference: this will take place on 09 October in Perth. Transport is a problem in our rural area and funds are available if anyone wishes to attend.
- e. Charleston Stable Roseisle: this is the property of the Forestry Commission and is being offered for sale to the community now it is no longer in use.
- f. Scottish Land Agency: a meeting is scheduled for 21 August at 7.00 pm in Forres Town Hall. Communities can bid for land that is unused or derelict.

6. FINANCE REPORT

The Treasurer submitted her report.

Roths 1:	£ 1,698.21 – remaining for Roseisle		
Roths 2:	£57,607.08	Dallas Rifle Club	£10,560
		Alves car park	£29,895
		Dallas Hall redecoration	£11,226
		Basket makers	£ 1,800
		Fisheries	£ 4,125
HCC funds:	£ 1,632.83		
Cash balance:	£60,938.12		

ICO registration is still to come off the HCC total.

Willie is now a signatory.

The deadline for Roth's 1 is 31 August. Details are on Facebook. The finance meeting will be held on 17 September at Mosstowie School.

There was some discussion around whether a CC member could make a submission for funding. It was agreed that this could be so, in which case the member should not be present for the discussion.

7. PLANNING

All planning applications had been circulated.

- a. Two houses at Buinach Cottage, Kellas: this cottage has been demolished and is being replaced by two houses. Concern was expressed as to whether there would be any further development at this site.

8. AOCB

- a. Concern was expressed about the lack of verge cutting in Dallas.
- b. Trees on the Dallas-Milntonduff road are too low and are intruding on the road. Visibility is also affected.

Date and time of next meeting:

There will be a finance meeting on Tuesday 17 September in Mosstowie School at 7.30 pm. The next meeting of Heldon CC will be on Tuesday 24 September 2019 in Mosstowie School at 7.30.

Future meetings:

05 November 2019

10 December 2019

21 January 2020

Finance meeting 25 February 2020

03 March 2020

14 April 2020