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## Minute of Meeting of Dufftown & District Community Council

Date: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019

Time: 7pm

Venue: Royal British Legion Dufftown

Chair: Angus Anderson

Attendees: Sarah Anderson, Anne Hodge, Joan Nicol, Cllr Louise Laing.

Apologies: Cllr Derek Ross, Jim Nicol

Everyone was welcomed to the meeting and a special reference made to the sad passing of community councillor Ally MacDonald.

1. **Police Update-** Nothing to report.
2. **Minutes of last meeting-** It was noted that there was an error had in the last minutes and Ken Brown should read Ken Major. However Mr Major has now left his post so further dealings should now be sent to Diane Anderson. Proposed Anne, Second Joan.

3. **Matters Arising-**

**Huntly-Dufftown road closure signage-** signage was clear this time and the work was completed in a shorter time than anticipated.

**Tininver Park hut –** nothing further known on this so we will chase up.

**Youth member DDCC/ new membership-** Speyside High has been contacted to see if there is any interest with regard to youth representation. Once the school year is underway, we will see if there has been any interest. Tonight's meeting has been put on Facebook with a request for people to attend with any issues.

**DDCC subgroup-** nothing further known on this issue at present.

**Speakers-** we have two speakers lined up for our November meeting on Volunteering in Health and Social Care and from Moray Council Community Development Officer on funding.

4. **Agenda-**

**White lines on the Low Rd-** Central white lines here have become worn and in parts are not visible. There have been a couple of near misses with oncoming traffic being too far over on the wrong side of the road. Cllr Laing will contact Moray Council to get this sorted.

**Tininver Park /Mount Street Path-** The question of who is responsible for the path by the side of Tininver Park was brought to the attention of the DDCC as it needs maintenance. Cllr Laing will find out.

**5. Correspondence-**

A paper on Participatory Budgeting has been sent by the JCC for comment. Cllr Laing explained this will mean more involvement of community groups in decision making. 1% of the budget will be set aside for this.

**6. Treasurers Report-** Account stands at £266.74.

**7. Community Feedback-**

A resident has contacted DDCC on two issues. Firstly that the "Welcome to Dufftown" signs from Craigellachie are very dirty and one is damaged. Sarah and Angus will look at this and give them a clean and report any damage. The second was the presence of abundant weeds on the pavements of Dufftown. They are happy to sort this on behalf of the community. It was discussed that provided methods used are safe for people, animals and the environment, we would be very grateful for their offer of help.

**8. Reports-**

Cllr Laing stated that the work on the disabled access to the war memorial is about to be undertaken. Joan asked if they could also check the gates and make sure they are oiled.

**9. Planning Issues-**

Grissens have a planned extension. It was thought this would not affect anyone so nothing needed to be reported regarding this.

**10. The Joint Community Councils of Moray-**

Nothing to report.

**11. AOCB-**

**Toilets-**

Anne asked if there was anything further information known about the community toilet scheme. This will be chased up.

**School Crossing Patrol-**

The DDCC are looking into funding for a solar powered zebra crossing for Dufftown. Cllr Laing will check if this will be acceptable for us to do this should funding be obtained. We will update at future meetings.

**12. AGM-**

The AGM will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> October at 7pm in the Royal British Legion Dufftown. Rules will need to be checked and we will put this date on the noticeboard, Facebook and in the press.