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## Minute of Meeting of Dufftown & District Community Council

Date: Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020

Time: 7pm

Venue: Memorial Hall Dufftown

Chair: Jim Nicol

Attendees Joan Nicol, Angus Anderson, Sarah Anderson, Cllr Derek Ross.

Apologies. Anne Hodge, Zoe Bremner, Cllr Louise Laing, Cllr Walter Wilson, Chris Mutter, Anne Mutter.

1. **Police Update** – This month's community safety report has not been received . Cllr Ross stated that there have been thefts reported from sheds and garages. The DDCC has also heard of incidents in Mount Crescent where attempts had been made to open back doors in the night.

2. **Minutes of last meeting-** The minutes were accepted as a true representation of the meeting. Proposed Joan, Second Angus.

### 3. **Matters Arising-**

**Road Safety-** Sarah has spoken to Nicola Moss regarding the Zebra Crossing. They are still in the process of writing a policy for community councils on this and this should be finalised over the next couple of months. Once completed she will arrange a site visit to see what the best options are with regard to a safer crossing. There are criteria which need to be adhered to which are dependent upon road layout and conditions. Once this is done we can finalise what the crossing will look like and get things moving forward.

We have started receiving funds from our letters asking for help and also have one offer of equipment/materials.

Sarah met with PTA Mortlach Primary earlier this evening to bring them up to date and discuss their involvement in future fundraising.

Future fundraising ideas were discussed with a quiz night and rag bag collection in the community.

**Games Park Trees-** Cllr Ross was asked to take up the query from last meeting regarding the safety of the trees in the park lining Hill Street. He passed this onto the Lands and Parks and the Road Maintenance Depts. They informed him that the trees are within the school confines and as such are the responsibility of the Education Dept. This has been forwarded to them for investigation and response.

**Corsemaul Drive-** Cllr Laing contacted Moray Council regarding the half built house at the site which has been posing a potential health and safety threat. It has been raised as a dangerous building case and is being monitored.

**4. Correspondence**

Quarriers Newsletter received.

Extension to Clashindarroch Wind Farm information.

Citizen Advice Bureau help with council tax info.

CastleHill Housing job vacancy for circulation.

**5. Treasurers Report** - Accounts have now been submitted to Moray Council. Balance stands at £298.61. New account and amenities account application sent in and awaiting reply.

**6. Community Feedback** – Complaints were received regarding an increased amount of heavy goods vehicles in Dufftown. However, these were due to road closures in the area.

**7. Reports** – Cllr Ross reported that the budget will be tomorrow. He stated that grass cutting may potentially be returned to normal and that there has been interest from a group looking at taking over the toilets in Albert Place. It is not known if the grants will be reinstated for community councils. Locally the signage for the hospital has now been changed from A&E to minor injuries unit in line with its remit. Also the DDCC will only be charged half fees for planning on any community projects.

**8. Planning Issues-** None

**9. The Joint Community Councils of Moray** -The JCC met on Thursday 13th February and we were unable to send a representative.

**10. Date, time and venue of next meeting-** Monday 6th April 7pm Committee Room Memorial Hall Dufftown