

Lennox Community Council  
Meeting via Zoom Wednesday 26th August 2020.

Taking part: Paul MacPherson (Chair) Mike Reid (Vice chair)  
Pringle George (Treasurer) Donald Cameron, Anna Mary Overing, Chris Overing, Karen Delaney, Kay Griffin (secretary)

Apologies: Christine Lester, Angus McNair, Jane Martin, Alastair Kennedy (who may come in later)

Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting.  
Office bearers were confirmed (as above)  
Previous minutes of July 30th proposed as accurate by Mike and seconded by Pringle.

Matters arising: Hedge in Charlotte Street, Fochabers, which had been obstructing pavement has been attended to.

Planning: Anna Mary and Angus remain in post and Christine will be asked to join them. The property in Fochabers Square, formerly Savills, will become residential and no objections were raised. Anna Mary reported nothing had been received that week.

Health and Wellbeing: nothing to report at this time.

Pringle presented the treasurer's report (details at bottom)  
Funding: Application from Men's Shed has been agreed ( via email) It is suggested to ask PCHG to cover from Anchor funding, otherwise it will be paid from Lennox CC funds ( already ring fenced for this) as it is recognised the Men's Shed offer so much to help communities. They are happy to repair and refurbish but not build a bench at Dallachy. They may in future help construct safety screens etc. in village halls.  
Karen reported that Scout halls are now reverting to towels instead of using hot air machines to stop spread of infection.

Pringle read the letter of appreciation received, via Chris, from 489 Squadron and paid tribute to the involvement of Mike, Chris and Paul in achieving such a sympathetic outcome. She also paid tribute to funding received for moving Moray forward and investing in our future via RAF, HI University and refurbishing Grant Lodge.

BT aims to remove phone boxes. The one at Auchenhalrig is useful for displaying posters and the community wish to retain it. Further discussion is required urgently to move forward on this. One also remains in Portgordon and one at Murrayfield Fochabers.

Other Projects: Hedging needs to be cut back at Dallachy. This will be done by members. Roll up signs for Remembrance services have been purchased, as have wreaths. Fochabers Heritage will arrange Fochabers service.  
It is agreed that the Spey clear up in October to be carried out by professionals.  
Jane will send out data protection forms.  
Clash Gour Wind Farm implications for CCs remain unclear (at this current time)

The situation / size of community councils will require greater future discussion before its conclusion in 2022.

Karen gave a positive report on Community involvement in helping people survive the constraints of Covid Lockdown (attached)

Alastair Kennedy joined the meeting and suggested that the implications of Memorandum of Understanding re. Cash Gour Wind Farm be added to the agenda at the next meeting. He paid tribute to Lennox CC having made such positive strides and the future looks good.

He wishes to attend the next meeting, as will Karen Delaney.

Paul thanked everyone for taking part.

Next meeting - Wednesday 30th September at 7pm with Zoom.