PORTKNOCKIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF ZOOM MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 12th OCTOBER, 2020

The Chair welcomed members of Community Council and Councillors to the zoom meeting.

Present: Diane Anderson, Angela Mair, Cathleen Harper, Gladys McKenzie, Cllr. Theresa Coull, Cllr. Donald Gatt and Cllr. Laura Powell.

1. Apologies

None.

2. Minutes

Minutes of last meeting approved by Cathleen Harper and seconded by Diane Anderson.

3. Matters Arising

Diane advised that she had received a cheque for £250.00 from the funds requested from the Common Good Fund to help with the cost of the electrical repairs required at the Millennium Garden.

Fred Philip the Electrician has now been to the Millennium Garden but we have no update from him. Angela will make contact and find out if all the works have now been completed.

Cllr. Powell advised that she had spoken to the Cullen Minister regarding the Armistice service. A detailed email is to be issued but the current regulations are that an outside meeting can be held if it involves a form of worship. At the moment things are up in the air until they see what the regulations are at the time and what can be done. The local Ministers are to be discussing it nearer the time. In the meantime Gladys will go ahead and order the poppy wreath from the Legion.

Cllr. Powell advised that at the last JCC meeting they had discussed the possibility of using Microsoft Team instead of Zoom for the meetings as the Police cannot attend Zoom meetings. Angela will contact Jane Martin and clarify if a decision has been made on which one to use in order that we can discuss obtaining the relevant licence which will allow us to hold longer meetings and also allow others to host the meetings if Diane is unavailable for any reason.

Harbour bin issue has been resolved.

Cllr. Powell advised that she had been advised that rubble had been dumped at the harbour but later found out that the contractors had dumped it there until the skip arrived to collect it. Everything has now been removed. Cllr. Powell advised that the road repairs to be carried out around the chemist/square area will be done in the near future. As far as she is aware no repairs have been carried out on the pot holes in Seafield Street.

4. Police Matters

Nothing to report to Police. The Report from the Police had been emailed and the only matter in Portknockie was vandalism to a car on Reidhaven Street.

5. Xmas Lights

The Community Association have advised that if we get a tree from the Earl of Seafield they will erect it in the Millennium Garden. Unlikely to be a switch on event this year.

6. Community Council Scheme Review

Email regarding this was discussed. Jane Martin had been invited to the meeting to discuss this matter but she is on holiday this week. Jane will be invited to attend the November meeting to discuss this matter. Councillors advised that this was for us to put forward anything we would like changed, etc to them. Discussed possibility of a campaign to get new members to come on board.

7. Matters for Elected Members

The rejection of Sandy Laing's application for the cafe at his former yard was discussed. An appeal goes before the Moray Local Review Panel on 29th October. A letter of support from the Community Council has been given to Mr. Laing to submit at the review on the 29th. Cllr. Gatt advised that the Community Council could have submitted a letter of support at the very start of the Planning Application but this was something that we were unaware we could do.

Gladys advised that there was an issue with vehicles exiting the area at the bottom of Admiralty Street onto Patrol Road where visitors park up to walk down to the Bow Fiddle Rock as there are no road markings. Members were advised that this road has not been adopted by The Moray Council.

8. Correspondence

All correspondence has been emailed to members.

9. Treasurer's Report

Bank Balance - £1,845.67. Cheque from the Common Good Fund for £250.00 is not included in this figure.

10. **AOCB**

Nothing.

The meeting was closed at 7.40 pm

The next meeting will be a Zoom meeting on Monday, 9th November, 2020 at 7 pm. Diane will send out the login link nearer the time.