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## HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held 26 October 2021 via Zoom

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Mr J Montford – Dallas</b>	
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Mrs L Smailes - Pluscarden</b>	
<b>Secretary</b>		
	Mrs A Masson – Alves	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff
	Mrs M Evans – Duffus	Mr N Sutherland - Dallas
	Mr C Souter - Miltonduff	Ms J Kirby - Miltonduff
	Mr W Duncan - Fogwatt	Mr W Mustard – Fogwatt & Birnie
<b>Attendee</b>	Ms Debra Duke - CCLO	
<b>Apologies</b>		

The Chairman congratulated members on their election and welcomed everyone to the meeting. He thanked the Community Council Liaison Officer for her excellent presentation of the Induction.

Due to personal reasons, Jo Kirby had been unable to return her application for election before the deadline. She wished to continue as a member of HCC and it was agreed by all that she should be co-opted from that point.

#### 1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

#### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 21 September 2021 were approved.

Proposed: Mr W Duncan Secoded: Mrs S Hodder

#### 3. MATTERS ARISING

a) B9012/Brumley Brae junction gorse bushes: some cutting was carried out a few months ago on the left-hand side approaching the junction with the B9012. The main difficulty with the sight-line is on the right-hand side.

b) Signage at the Birnie end of Cloddach Bridge: no change so far. Padlocks are to be re-instated on the barriers so that these can no longer be raised. It appears that there is no intention of improving the signage at the moment but work is continuing on the turning circle. With the Foths Bridge due to reopen it is hoped that when that signage is no longer required new signage will be erected on the Birnie side for the Cloddach Bridge. It was agreed to defer further action until Councillor Edwards returns to the meetings.

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

Most correspondence had been circulated to all members.

- a) Green Party correspondence re the Millie Burn Bothy: we had been asked if we had lodged an objection. The chairman had replied to the effect that we had objected to the original plan but have no grounds for objecting to the planning permission for the re-constitution of the old house.
  
- b) Moray Green Energy: this is a sub-group of the JCC. There was discussion as to whether we should be represented on this as they will be in discussion with the Wind Farms. Concern was expressed as to whether they consider that they are acting on our behalf. It was agreed that we should keep an eye on the minutes.

#### 5. FINANCE REPORT

The Treasurer had submitted her report, stating that little had changed since the last meeting apart from interest being added.

Balance of funds:

Roths 1	£ 32,644
Roths 2	£ 6,655
HCC	£ 1,342
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£ 40,641</b>

The Roth's 1 balance is largely for the Alves footpath and the Dallas School shed while there is a number of small items due from Roth's 2.

It was agreed that due to the increased workload as a result of the pandemic and the need to work via Zoom that the Honoraria should be increased for this year:

Treasurer: £350                      Minutes Secretary: £250

#### 6. PLANNING ISSUES

All planning details had been circulated and there were no issues. It was pointed out that members need to keep an eye on adjoining Community Council planning submissions as these can impact on Heldon areas at times.

#### 7. AOCB – to include area reports

- Foths Bridge: only the parapet has been removed and the bridge is due to reopen at the end of this week. There was a query as to whether the work of levelling the Rashcrook Road would now begin in an effort to alleviate the flooding.
- Dog foul bins: these are needed in Milntoduff. They could be provided by the HCC but the question was raised as to who would be responsible for emptying them under those circumstances.
- HCC paid its share of the cost of the Community Council election leaflets but many of these were mis-directed and not received by Heldon residents. It was felt that an enquiry into this should be carried out. The CCLO will investigate.
- A list of all HCC members with their contact details will be circulated.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 07 December 2021 at 7.30 pm.

It was decided to continue to meet via Zoom until the end of the year.