

Lennox Community Council

Zoom Meeting Wednesday 15th December 2021

1. Paul MacPherson, Chair, welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting

iAttending: Donald Cameron, Alex Hume, Roger Austin, Anna Mary Overing, Chris Overing,

Leanna Hudson, Kay Griffin Members of community attending:

Councillors: Shona Morrison, Marc Macrae, David Bremner

Apologies: Pringle George, Jennie Cameron.

2. Police Update : None received.

3. Guest Presentation : none

4. Minutes of previous meeting held on 23 August had been circulated.

5. Matters arising : None

It was acknowledged that while the meeting was quorate, the absence of representatives from the areas of Clochan and Spey Bay was disappointing.

6. Correspondence ; A request had been received from the wind farm at Aultmore seeking Lennox C C 's support for its new design. It was felt this may be outside the council's area.

7. Treasurer's Report: Pringle was unwell and unable to present this.

8.. Planning : Nothing in the Lennox area to be considered at the moment.

9. Events: The Big Blue Bus had held its first community event at the village Hall Portgordon on 9th December. The organisation will be distributing food in rural / disadvantaged areas.

SOS Packs: The meeting heard about Resilience Packs which would be made available should there be severe weather situations. These would contain items to combat danger of hypothermia because of lack of electric lighting and power. Addressing Isolation / Resilience Groups is needed.

10. Area Reports : Fochabers: The Village Association AGM takes place on 15th January.

Alex has just agreed to become the new Chair of The Fochabers Men's Shed. This means that while he continues to be on Lennox C C, he will not be available as Vice Chair.* see appendix

Councillor Marc Macrae reported that he had become further involved with the ongoing road risk problems at the junction of South Street and East Street. He will also research any help required re. barrier at the Spey Bridge.

Chris reported on the removal of safety fencing in the middle of the bridge which requires urgent attention.

Kay queried the historic removal of the letter E from Westmorland Street sign. Marc will investigate this too.

Clochan and Spey Bay : No area representatives available

Portgordon: The Village hall is currently receiving much needed work to the outside walls and new double glazing will be installed in January 2022. Road diversions are also in place because of fibre optic upgrades.

11. Elected members reported their continued support for Twenty's Plenty campaign.

12. Community Feedback : nil.

13. The Joint Community Council of Moray : Due to cutbacks, education, hospitals etc are underfunded. Building new schools will be discussed at future meeting.

14. AOCB : There was dismay and sympathy shared for close relatives of Donald and Alex currently ill at this time.

*Appendix

Posts will continue as before:

Paul continuing as chair

Donald agreed to take over as Vice Chair

Pringle continuing as Treasurer/ secretary

Anna Mary continuing to deal with planning

All reports should reach the Chair / secretary before each meeting.

Leanna will deal with Facebook and requests contact by email so she can include all news /area activities.

Alec will send in photos of recent Remembrance Day services.

Next meeting via Zoom : Wednesday 26th January at 7pm