

# Lennox Community Council

## Minutes of

### Zoom meeting 26th October 2022 at 7pm

Present : Paul Macpherson ( Chair). Pringle George ( Treasurer/ secretary)  
Donald and Jenni Cameron, Roger Austin, Alex Hume, Michelle Good,  
Kay Griffin ( Minutes secretary)

Councillors : Ben Williams, Marc Macrae, Shona Morrison.

Guest: Peter Horton

Paul welcomed everyone and introduced Peter Horton now residing in Portgordon and previously a member of Lennox Community Council.

Minutes of September meeting were proposed by Alex and seconded by Donald.  
Matters arising: None.

Guest Presentation : None

Correspondence: Pringle updated the meeting on areas of correspondence received

JCC meeting on 10th November at the Town Hall. Paul and Pringle will attend.  
The future of responsibility for Dallachy War Memorial will be discussed. Pringle has contacted British Legion and has so far received no response.

Lack of maternity facilities at Dr Grays continue to give concern.  
MRI scanner will hopefully be installed by the end of the year.

Pringle reported that saplings ( originally for the Queen's Green Canopy) are to be made available to communities in spring 2023.

Chris and Anna Mary Overing joined the meeting.

Treasurers Report:

Pringle : All members had been sent copies of the Cashbook and Financial Statement.  
Problems with Bank of Scotland remains. The subscription from Moray Council of £383 has been received. The meeting agreed to the ring fencing of funds proposed by Pringle and to a donation to Poppy Scotland re. Remembrance Day 2022 . Books will be officially handed over on Friday and a bank statement will follow.

Planning : Nothing reported.

Michelle reported that Grants (storage) have officially applied for planning permission.  
According to the Council website objections have been raised.  
Shona agreed that this was the case.

Events:

Fireworks will go ahead in Portgordon on Friday 28th October.

TSi : Funding Roadshow starts tomorrow (27th October) in the Fisherman's Hall Buckie and then in other areas of Moray.

#### Remembrance Services:

Pringle reported on all aspects at the Dallachy Strike Wing which have been arranged : Road closed signs, letters to adjacent houses. All representatives are confirmed. Chris will lay the Lennox CC wreath. Invitations to new houses by the Golf Club will be delivered by Chris and Donald offered to help if required.

Paul will attend at Portgordon and Bellie.

Alex will lay the Lennox CC wreath at Fochabers.

#### Area Updates:

##### Portgordon:

Michelle from PCT reported on the second recent Resilience meeting.

She reminded the meeting that building good relations with businesses coming I to the Village is important for the community and that objections to planning would be acted on realistically /sympathetically.

Village Hall: Major refurbishment is largely completed.

Funding for heating looks very hopeful following the business energy report.

Appropriate seating is required for a variety of functions. Storage remains a concern.

Paul said the path close to the sea between Portgordon and Buckie is also a concern.

Dallachy Memorial: Paul reported that slabs for hard-standing for the padre etc. could be provided for a ballpark figure of £500 . Pringle and Chris will discuss plans so that funding from Beatrice is achieved. Paul and Chris will check pole and lanyard.

Clochan: No representative / report.

##### Fochabers:

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The bench which had gone missing was retrieved and fixed back in place.

Fochabers Village Association have planned various seasonal community events:

18th November - Family Tombola shared with funding for Children in Need.

23rd November Grants from Gala events distributed to local community groups.

7th December "Recycled Christmas" Donations dropped off at hall 2- 4th December.

9th December - two parties / discos for primary school age children.

16th December -Concert by Community choir and young musicians. ( Donations )

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It appears that bolts for missing piece of fencing by the bridge need to be replaced. Roger reported that there is a gate there.

##### Councillors:

Shona reported that it had been some months since she had heard negative comments about smells from the recycling facility at Dallachy. Marc reported similarly.

Ben said he would be happy to talk to Crown Estates Scotland to see how much/anything has happened by The Dolphin Centre. Pringle, as Secretary, will write.

Shona will send a link for her to pursue Road Problems in Portgordon.

Donald paid tribute to the work carried out by local councillors and Michelle thanked Shona and Marc for their support for PCT.

November Meeting on 30th st 7pm via Zoom.