

# DRAFT

**HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2023**  
**Mosstowie School**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Mr J Mountford – Dallas</b>	
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Mrs L Smailes</b>	
<b>Secretary</b>		
	Mrs M Evans – Duffus	Mr N Sutherland - Dallas
	Mrs S Hodder - Pluscarden	Mr W Mustard – Fogwatt & Birnie
	Mr C Souter - Miltonduff	Mr A Lyons - Roseisle
	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff	
<b>Attendees</b>	Councillor Bridget Mustard	
	Councillor Neil Cameron	
<b>Apologies</b>	Mr W Duncan	
	Mrs D Kelly - Alves	
	Mrs H Stewart- Roseisle	
	Ms Jo Kirby	

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 1. APOLOGIES

Apologies had been received from Mr Willie Duncan, Mrs D Kelly, Mrs H Stewart and Ms J Kirby.

### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of 13 December 2022 were approved.

Proposed: Mr W Mustard    Seconded: Mr N Sutherland

### 3. MATTERS ARISING

a) Cloddach Bridge: this is going before the Economic and Infrastructure Committee on 07 February. Costs for consultants will be considered. The papers should be available soon and these will be circulated.

b) Social Media: all the information has been made available. At the moment we have a Facebook page with a single administrator. The Community Councillor dealing with our social media is currently on secondment and unable to attend meetings. She will be contacted for discussion.

c) Roseisle Traffic Measures: the Council has received the papers and funding has been agreed. No other progress so far.

d) B9010 trees: no progress so far.

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

Most correspondence had been circulated to all members but some might need further action.

a) Kellas Drum Wind Farm: there will be a further exhibition in Dallas on 01 February from 15.00 to 18.00. This will demonstrate the scheme which will be submitted to planning. Contact has been made over concerns about the proposed access through Miltonduff. Community Councils should be contacted by the developers. Unlike with other Wind Farms, there will not be a Community Development Group. Owing to the size of the development the plans will go straight to Edinburgh but as it is seen as part of the Green Agenda it will be fast-tracked. Information should appear in the local press. So far there has been no opportunity to discuss Community Funding.

b) Rothes Wind Farm Funding: an email has been received from the Marketing Manager who would like to have a meeting with representatives from the affected Community Councils as to how to disseminate information about the available funding. It was agreed that this would be a useful way of finding out about exactly what projects could be eligible for this funding. The meeting will probably take place in February or March.

c) Sophie Ward – Millbuies Plans: a five-year plan is being formulated for replanting. Underplanting should be starting soon.

d) Alves Recycling point: concern has been expressed about the recycling plant being infested with vermin. This is something to be dealt with by the community.

e) Volunteer Transport for Dr Gray's: the St John's Ambulance is looking for volunteers to transport patients to Dr Gray's.

f) Transport Forum: a meeting is to be held on 31 January concerning road conditions in rural areas.

g) Berry Burn Wind Farm: plans are being submitted for an 80-metre pole. No objections were raised.

h) Community Map: a meeting will be held on 31 January.

i) Moray Climate Assembly: a meeting will be held online on 31 January.

#### 5. FINANCE REPORT

The Treasurer submitted her report and accounts. Not much has changed since the previous accounts. We have received our Council Grant of £385.32 and also £143.59 in interest.

Rothes 2 applications are due by 31 January 2023. None have been received so far but there are two or three potential ones.

Rothes 1	£ 34,836.18
Rothes 2	£ 69,146.92
HCC balance	£ 1,320.79
<b>Total</b>	<b>£105,303.89</b>

A Finance Meeting was arranged for Thursday 09 February at 7.30 pm in Mosstowie school.

## **6. PLANNING ISSUES**

All planning details had been circulated. There were no issues.

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

### **Area reports**

a) The question was raised as to whether grit could be obtained for the area around the recycling bins in Roseisle car park. There is a section on the Council website which deals with grit bins:

[www.moray.gov.uk/moray\\_standard/page\\_138774.html](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_138774.html)

b) The new section of the C12E road has caused a problem due to standing water which has frozen to black ice. There are two very hazardous bends which could do with Arco barriers.

c) The Miltonduff Distillery has begun the archaeological dig in preparation for the extension. This should not take long and we need to keep an eye on progress as we need to check a few points over planning.

d) Fogwatt Biomass Plan: this is a large application. Meetings took place in September 2022 and January 2023. There is a potential issue with access and a stacking lane is required. There is also some concern about the loss of 2,000 acres of agricultural land. So far this is at the pre-application stage.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Date of the next meeting:

Finance Meeting Thursday 09 February 2023 at 7.30 at Mosstowie School

Tuesday 07 March 2023 at 7.30 pm at Mosstowie School