

Portknockie Community Council

Minutes of meeting on 8/2/10

Present: Alan Beresford, Pearl Murray, Angela Mair, Cathleen Harper,
Helen Sammon, Karen Campbell,
Cllr Ron Shepherd,

1 Apologies – Gladys Mckenzie, Lil Urquhart, Cllr Gary Coull,

2 Minutes were proposed by Angela and seconded by Karen.

3 Matters arising

Knocker – There will be an article in The Banffshire Advertiser to see if anyone intends starting a village newspaper since the The Knocker has ceased being published after 10 very successful years.

Grit Boxes – extra boxes are to be allocated throughout the village in preparation for next winter.

4 Police Matters – The ongoing airgun problem in the Geddes Avenue area and a Ford Fiesta being erratically driven through the village will be brought to the attention of the police.

5 School Development – Extra computers for public use in the library have not been forthcoming. Cllr Shepherd advised that he continues to raise this issue with various officers in Moray Council and is waiting on a satisfactory reply. It is expected there will be some update before the next meeting.

Pearl noted her objection to the scare mongering of Cllr Anita McDonald as quoted in the newspaper that Portknockie Primary is “a meeting away from closure”.

Shared headship was agreed in principle with Moray Council but this seems to have been dropped and current acting heads are likely to be retained in post. Alan will write to Donald Duncan and invite him to our next meeting to discuss the current situation regarding appointing a head teacher for the school.

6 Matters for elected members Cllr Shepherd confirmed that the previous tenants of 12 Addison Street cannot legally rent that property again.

Alan congratulated Cllr Shepherd on his backing of the motion for the Council to support RLNI Anniversary appeal.

7 Correspondence was discussed.

8 Treasurer's report

Knocker £1084.58

Community Council £809.65

9 AOCB There is no information on the perpetrators of the vandalism in the cemetery.

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10. Mr Beresford closed the meeting at 2000

The next meeting will be at 1900 on 8 March 2010

in the library.