

**HELDON COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minute of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> September 2013 at 7.30pm in Mosstowie Primary School**

<b>Chairman</b>	<b>Mr O Smith - Spynie</b>	Mrs. S Fennings –Mills - Roseisle
<b>Vice Chairman</b>	Mr Peter Austin - Roseisle	
	Mr K Milne - Miltonduff	
	Mr J Mountford — Dallas	
	Mr J Smith –Birnie	
	Mr. C Souter -Miltonduff	
	Mr. N Sutherland-Dallas	
	Cllr. A. Wright	
	Cllr. D. Ross	
Apologies	Mr W Duncan — Fogwatt	Mrs S Hodder - Pluscarden
	Mr A Gomez - Alves	Mrs. S Rowand - Spynie
	<b>Mr S Masson — Alves</b>	Mrs L Smailes
	Mr D Proctor - Alves	Rev. J Adams
	Cllr. J. Cowe	
Secretary		<b>Mrs A Hyland</b>
Treasurer		<b>Mr J Hyland</b>
Visiting member of the Public		<b>Mrs T Rae CCLO</b>

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the last meeting of this term. He welcomed our Councillors and Mrs Tracey Rae CCLO.

Tracey was invited to talk about the sub divisions of Heldon Community Council.

**MINUTE OF MEETING** of 6<sup>th</sup> August 2013

Approved: Kenneth Milne                      Seconded: Neil Sutherland

**1.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTE.**

1.0 Elections – Tracey Rae.

The Chairman welcomed Tracey, whom he described as the backbone of Community Councils and who is a very special friend to Heldon C.C. He then asked her to speak about the forthcoming election process and said her advice is much appreciated.

Tracey then went on to explain about the sub-divisions of Heldon Community Council and answered all the ensuing questions. This re-assured all present.

- 1.1 Safety Assessment Pittendreich – Road engineer James Smith inspected the area. He said in the better weather, Moray Council would resurface the road with an anti-skid material which would hopefully reduce the accidents happening on this corner.
- 1.2 Pot Ale Plant Paddockhaugh –objection sent on new application 30.8.13 Cllr. Ross informed the Community Council that the road improvements would be carried out in 2014.
- 1.3 Giant Hogweed – Ken Kennedy advised that the land owners were responsible for treating this. A discussion took place and advice will be sought from the nearby quarry as to how they received a grant to treat their area.
- 1.4 Overhanging tree branches beside the Cloddach Bridge and Ardgillan House – Glen Hopkins will speak to the land owners about trimming these branches.
- 1.5 Sat Nav readings – James Smith (roads engineer) assured us that a sign stating ‘not suitable for heavy vehicles’ will be provided in due course at the entrance to the C2E.
- 1.6 Road upgrade at Findrassie – Cllr. Wright said that this was part of the planning conditions.
- 1.7 Strimming in graveyards – Cllr Ross kindly attended to this matter and it was done immediately.
- 1.8 Grass verges –Alves & Buinach to Dallas -done
- 1.9 Litter Bin at Gateside Farm Layby – Environmental Department replied that this was not a recognised layby so no bin would be re-instated. The request for one at the Cloddach Bridge was denied for the same reason.
- 1.10 Priority ‘Road sign’ on Roseisle cross roads will not be provided as this is not a recognised way of slowing down traffic.
- 1.11 Re-surfacing C12E done.
- 1.12 Zip Wire – appeal against refusal of planning application was dismissed. The owners will have three months to remove it.
- 1.13 Letter of thanks sent to roads dept. for white arrows at Fogwatt and all the prompt attention they pay to our requests.
- 1.14 Protruding footpath Miltonduff – Colin met with James Smith and it was agreed that the carriageway was not reduced and no action would be taken.
- 1.15 Gilston Farm- retrospective application withdrawn. The developer has been asked to re-instate the land.

## **2.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

- 2.1 Licensing Fee Review -noted
- 2.2 Marine Scotland Consultations 2013 - noted
- 2.3 Brown Muir Wind Farm Proposal Update - noted
- 2.4 Common Good Assets - noted
- 2.5 Wind Turbine Info Event cancelled
- 2.6 Dallas War Memorial – the letter from Ken Kennedy, Lands and Parks Officer was discussed and the reply will be sent to Mr Kennedy.
- 2.7 Moray Taxi Fares - noted
- 2.8 Moray School Estate Review information dates noted. Members will attend Community Briefing evenings in Forres, Lossiemouth and Elgin. Cllr. Wright informed the members that no consultation process will begin until the report has been completed.
- 2.9 Earthtime at Millbuies. Fogwatt residents are concerned about this project. Cllr. Ross has spoken to the Officers involved with this project. He will email the member for Fogwatt so that he may re-assure the residents.
- 2.10 Extract from Richard Lochhead MSP was read out.
- 2.11 Moray Passenger Forum noted and a member for Roseisle may attend.

## **3.0 TREASURER’S REPORT- given by Secretary.**

### **4.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS –**

- 4.1 Mrs Fennings Mills thanked the Community Council for their support after her recent surgery.
- 4.2 Mr Sutherland thanked the Community Council for their condolence sent after the sad bereavement of his Father.
- 4.3 Recycling bins have been removed from Spynie Hall car park but still people leave bottles there.
- 4.4 The bridge over Mosstowie burn/canal has been badly hit and is leaning towards the water. Secretary to write to roads dept.
- 4.5 A member was asked to support Alves Hall with some of their requirements for funding and advise them on how to achieve this. He was also asked about a sign to mark the direction to the hall. They must apply to BEAR Scotland and he will inform them. Mrs Rae said Alves are doing well as a new committee and have received the Keystone Award.
- 4.6 The sign alerting drivers to a ‘Double bend’ at Kellas has been uprooted on the B9013. The Secretary will contact Moray Council for a replacement.
- 4.7 The Community Council have been alerted to the many thefts of Farm machinery and Heating Oil.

**4.8 Councillor Wright then stood up and made a very heartening speech congratulating the Chairman Ogilvie Smith on his achievements as a member of Heldon Community Council for 25 years and Chairman for 18 years. He went on to say that it gave him great pleasure to present the Long Service Award to such a deserving man. Councillor Wright said he and Councillor Ross enjoyed being part of what he described as the “club”.**

## **5.0 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- 1.1 Full planning application to extend permission 09/01875/PPP for house at Todholes, Dallas – not our area.
- 1.2 Full planning application to extend planning consent 10/00918/APP for redevelopment of farm steading to provide 2 houses at Hangingfolds, Birnie. No objection.
- 1.3 Amended consent to erect house on site by Fogwatt, Elgin – No objection.
- 1.4 Retrospective application for formation of pot ale storage lagoon and surrounding access and fencing site adjacent to Paddockhaugh and Dykeside Farm, Elgin. Objection sent.
- 1.5 Full planning permission to site caravan for 2 years during construction of house approved under planning consent ref 13/00589/APP on site at the Level Birnie. No objection.
- 1.6 Planning notice to erect agricultural shed at Hummel Burn, Dallas. No objection.

## **6.00 CHAIRMAN’S REMARKS**

The Chairman thanked the Community Council and the Councillors for working hard and well together with him for the last term and wished them well with the elections.

### **Agreed Dates for 2013 - 2014**

**Inaugural date 29.10.13** 10.12.13, 21.1.14, 4.3.14, 15.4.14, 27.5.14, 8.7.14, 19.8.14, 30.9.14