



Bennachie Community Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 August 2021
Insch Institute, Rannes Street, Insch

Present: Andy Miller (Chair/Oyne), Wally Rhodes (Treasurer/Leslie), Stuart Rennie (Planning/Insch), Wendy Glasspool (Sec/Chapel of Garioch), Wilma McIntosh (Rayne), Stan Averell (Culsalmond), Robert Grant (Insch)

Apologies: Frank Musgrave (Vice Chair/Oyne), Alan Simpson (Leslie), Scott Ewan (Insch), Hugh Fraser (Insch), Lesley Ovington (Insch), Cllr Harper & Cllr Smith & Ann Overton

Visitors: Alison Grant & Julie McWilliam (Friends of Insch Hospital), Joelle Hamilton & Megan Humphries (Insch Coop) & David Millar (Premnay Resident)

Presentation by Friends of Insch Hospital

(Note: Presentation given at start of business meeting – see below)

Historic downgrading of services owing to building condition and upgrading requirements. The fight to save the hospital now focuses on the ongoing Strategic Needs Assessment process; there are ongoing concerns regarding the survey questionnaire and lack of specific form for community groups. It was highlighted that this was in process of being addressed and BCC were made aware of this new survey. Copy made available at time of meeting.

Action: BCC to respond by 12th September – initial deadline for internal views – Sunday 5th. Friends meeting due with MPs and MSP's following Friday – Friends to provide update. Likely Needs survey results due Jan 22. Friends to query number of respondents to survey.

Chair
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All

Item 1 – Declarations of Interest

1. None received

Item 2 – Minutes of the Last Meeting

2. It was confirmed the minutes of the last formal BCC meeting held on 14 June 21 had been circulated & approved. Minutes proposed by Stan Averell and seconded by Wilma McIntosh. Approved minutes to be forwarded to AC by the Sec.

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Item 3 – Police Report

3. No current Police Report. This now takes the form of a newsletter rather than previous Crime Reports. It is more likely to take this form in future rather than in person attendance.

Item 4 – BCC Business

4. Decisions Since Last Meeting None.
5. Financial Statement Wally advised the finances were in a good position standing at ~£4300 (includes AC grant which BCC should receive shortly & takes account of recent donations to the Food Larder).
6. Vice-Chair Appointment The Sec outline process for electing Vice Chair outside of the standard election framework. EGM required in September for election of this post, immediately prior to Sept BCC meeting. Action: Sec to distribute EMG meeting notices & agenda.
7. Resignation of Premnay Cllr Sec confirmed BCC had received Karen Grays resignation and had

Sec

sent BCC thanks. Karen indicated she had been in contact with David Millar (Premnay resident) who may be interested in becoming a co-opted member. Action: e Chair and Sec to follow up with David.

8. Insch Coop& Grants staff attended to highlight their involvement in community initiatives including food bank donations, community group grant assistance and other projects.

Item 5 – Planning

(Note: Robert Grant stepped out of the meeting for the duration of the planning discussions)

9. Stuart gave an overview of BCC area planning since the last in-person meeting had taken place on 02-03-2020. A total of 115 applications had been validated for the BCC area during the 539 days to 23-08-21, which is equivalent to 79 applications per annum, a reduction in the annual total BCC would expect to see, which is probably due to the impact of COVID-19. BCC had objected to four of the 115 applications validated.
10. An update on LDP2021 was also given. The Proposed Local Development Plan (PLDP) was approved by Full Council on 05-March-2020. The BCC submission to the PLDP consultation requested removal of Site OP1 in Insch from the PLDP; changes to PAL policy (PR1); and to policy on development in the countryside. On 12-March-2021, AC submitted the PLDP to the Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) for examination. Examination commenced on 28-June-2021 and is expected to take until early 2022. The deadline for LDP2021 adoption is April 2022. A team of seven reporters will carry out the examination (three for LDPs 2012 and 2017).
11. Stuart gave an summary of current applications as per the weekly lists.

Item 6 – Roads and Transport

12. Inveramsey Bridge Evaluation – Stake Holder Feedback Frank had confirmed response sent on behalf of BCC.
13. Ready To Go Some concern at lack of publicity of this new service to replace service buses. Demand Ready Transport which will take passengers to local bus stops. Early days but will be interested to see usage and uptake.
14. Dualling A96 East of Huntly to Inverurie Consultation December 2020 Concerns voiced by BCC likely high increases in traffic locally after A96 dualling new junction at Kellockbank is opened. Transport Scotland's own traffic modelling predicts the traffic flow along Commercial Road and Commerce Street in Insch (B992) would increase from 1500 to 2500 vehicles per day. A traffic count was suggested – to be follow up at next meeting.
15. 20mph Policy Discussions AC Area Committees are currently considering widespread 20mph speed limits across all Aberdeenshire Communities. This a single-roll out (i.e. all at once) – although no time-scale has been received to date for implementation. Area Committees are likely to be kept informed. Continued speeding concerns within the area which is being monitored by the Police and local residents.

Item 7 - Aberdeenshire Council

16. Councillors Report – Cllr Harper provide a response to questions BCC raised prior to the meeting. Cllr Harper & Cllr Leslie asked to be kept updated with BCC items.

Item 8 – Chapel of Garioch

17. Number of residents had contacted BCC regarding overgrown vegetation blocking speed limit

<p>signage, narrow & overgrown paths, 20mph school flashing signs not working and various other roads-based concerns arising from back to school. Action: Chair to contact AC raising these concerns with respect to 'Safer Route to School'. Sec (Chapel of Garioch Representative) to keep residents updated.</p>	All
<p>Item 9 - Culsalmond</p>	
<p>18. Bus stop relocation discussions ongoing – Stan advised next meeting with Jim Bowen (AC) is on 9th September.</p>	StR
<p>Item 10 - Inch</p>	
<p>19. <u>Inch Hospital</u> see presentation</p>	
<p>20. <u>Traffic</u> Ongoing traffic volumes and speeding concerns.</p>	
<p>21. <u>Inch Barony Signs</u> Scott had provided a summary via email regarding the signs. To be discussed at future meeting.</p>	
<p>22. <u>Woodlands Creatures</u> Stuart gave an update on the Woodlands Creatures and had been in contact with Cameron Mowat (organiser). Event to take place on 18th September – two shows. Event is free but ticketed. Action BCC to publicise event on FB, website and posters.</p>	Sec
<p>23. <u>Inch Flood Study</u> No update from Lee Watson (AC) regarding the Inch Flood Study.</p>	
<p>24. <u>Inch Community Centre (ICC)</u> Inch Scouts (Grainne Patton) had contacted the BCC with respect to the status of the ICC and if it was to be re-opened. Action: Stuart to contact Aberdeenshire Council and to raise at September CC Forum. distributed.</p>	Chair Sec
<p>Item 11 - Leslie</p>	
<p>25. <u>Leslie Roads</u> On-going concerns. BCC noted thanks to Cllr Leslie for his assistance.</p>	
<p>Item 12 - Oyne</p>	
<p>26. Andy gave a summary of items including on-going speeding, updates on Archeolink site sale (no progress) and the Oyne Community Association.</p>	
<p>Item 13 - Premnay</p>	
<p>27. No CC representation at present. David Millar (Premnay resident & Chair of Premnay Hall & Community Association) hoping to re-open the village hall and would appreciate any guidance / contact information. Action Sec to provide contact details for Chapel of Garioch village hall which was in the process of re-opening.</p>	
<p>28. – David Millar indicated he would be interested in joining the BCC as a co-opted member. Action Chair & Sec to start co-option process.</p>	
<p>Item 14 - Rayne</p>	
<p>29. <u>Car Park Near Old Rayne School & Play Area & Roadside Drain</u> Wilma advise no work had taken place to date. AC had advised investigation work likely to take place August / September.</p>	
<p>Item 15 - AOCB</p>	
<p>30. None</p>	
<p>Item 16 - Next Meeting</p>	
<p>31. The next meeting was planned for Monday 27th September 2021 in the Inch Institute at 7.00pm. The meeting is expected to be preceded by an EGM to elect new Vice Chair.</p>	

Bennachie Community Council
No Police Report for August 2021

Bennachie Community Council Papers Tabled as of 23 August 2021

Police Reports

From Rachael MacLennan (Rachael.MacLennan@scotland.pnn.police.uk) / Gareth Hannan (Gareth.Hannan@scotland.pnn.police.uk) / Mark Irvine (mark.irvine@scotland.pnn.police.uk), Michael Urquhart (Michael.Urquhart@Scotlandpnn.police.uk) / Heather Nelson (North East CrimeReduction@Scotland.pnn.police.uk)
(11.08.21) August 2021 Business Watch
(05.07.21) July 2021 Business Watch

Planning

From Fraser Napier / Katie Cranwell / Hannah Gray / Calum Wright / Emma Furneaux (Aberdeenshire Council) & Adminhub (Adminhub.woodhill@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(23.08.21) 23 August 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(16.08.21) 16 August 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(09.08.21) 09 August 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(02.08.21) 02 August 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(26.07.21) 26 July 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(19.07.21) 19 July 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(12.07.21) 12 July 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(05.07.21) 05 July 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(28.06.21) 28 June 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(21.06.21) 21 June 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch

From Martin Walker (martin.walker@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(23.06.21) re: APP/2021/1097 Installation of Ground Mounted Solar PV Array, Skirts of Foulard, Insch, Aberdeen

From Hilary Wilkinson (hilary.wilkinson@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(13.07.21) Re: APP/2021/1622

Licensing

From Alison Wood (alison.wood@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(18.08.21) Application for Major Variation of Premises Licence (Kellockbank)

Roads/Transport

Road Closures

From Elizabeth Ross (Elizabeth.ross@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) Elma Murray (elma.murray@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(19.08.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – U58s Meikle Wartle
(17.08.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – U61s Oyne Level Crossing
(29.07.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – U63S Auchleven, Insch

(15.07.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – South Road Insch
(13.07.21) For Information: Temporary Restrictions – George Street / Martin Road, Insch
(17.06.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – U58s Meikle Wartle

BUS Services / Ready2Go

From Madelyne Simpson (madelyne.simpson2@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(04.08.21) New DRT (demand response transport) Service – Ready2Go Around Inverurie

A2B Dial a Bus

From A2B Dial A Bus (a2bdialabus@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(13.08.21) Ready2Go

Chapel of Garioch 30mph Speed Limit Extension

From Stuart Copland (stuart.copland@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(09.08.21) TRO_008_Draft Report Consultation

A96 Inveramsay Bridge Evaluation

From Christopher Buck (Christopher.Buck@jacobs.com))
(06.07.21) A96 Inveramsay Bridge Evaluation – Request for Stakeholder Feedback

Aberdeenshire Council

From Insch Strategic Needs Assessment (inschhsc@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(28.07.21) Re: Survey: Insch Strategic Needs Assessment

From Ann Overton (ann.overton@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(06.07.21) Community Impact Assessment – Covid-19 Survey
(18.06.21) Community Impact Assessment – Covid-19 Survey
(16.06.21) Ward 10 Community Impact Assessment Feedback

From Alison Cumming (alison.cumming@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(01.07.21) Fw: Fireworks Consultation Launch and The Fireworks (Scotland) Miscellaneous Amendments Regulations 2021

From Fiona Garden (fiona.garden@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) & (garioch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(18.08.21) CC Forum – 1 September 2021
(17.08.21) Garioch Area Committee Agenda Papers 24 August 2021
(13.08.21) NHS Grampian Plan for the Future 2022-2028
(10.08.21) Fw: 2021 NCR Funding Call Now Open
(02.08.21) Community Councils.scot Facebook Page
(15.07.21) 2021 Tour of Britain Professional Cycle Race
(08.07.21) Mind Yer Mind Campaign – Mental Wellbeing
(22.06.21) Re: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement (Updated Information)
(21.06.21) Re: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement
(18.06.21) Aberdeenshire Council's Proposed Equality Outcomes – Formal Consultation and How To Take Part
(16.06.21) Garioch Area Committee Agenda – 22 June 2021

From Lee Watson (lee.watson@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(04.08.21) Flood Risk Management Plans – Public Consultation (now live)

From Caroline Smith (caroline.smith@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(28.06.21) Garioch Local Community Planning E-Bulletin – 28.06.2021

From Robert McKinney (Robert.mckinney@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(12.08.21) Trading Standards Scams Bulletin No. 27
(29.07.21) Trading Standards Scams Bulletin No. 26
(30.06.21) Trading Standards Scams Bulletin No. 24
(16.06.21) Trading Standards Scams Bulletin No. 23

From Sheila Stuart (Sheila.stuart@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(07.07.21) 2021 Tour of Britain Professional Cycle Race

Ward 10 Councillors

From Cllr. Hazel Smith (cldr.hazel.smith@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(17.08.21) BCC Meeting 23 August 2021 – Apologies & Update
(26.06.21): Re: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement (Insch Household Waste & Recycling Centre)
(21.06.21) Fw: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement
(20.06.21) Re: enquiry 624528 (Leslie Roads – Bill Cameron)

From Cllr. Sebastian Leslie (cldr.sebastian.leslie@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(17.08.21) BCC Meeting 23 August 2021 – Apologies
(16.07.21) Fwd: Flooding at Crossroads in Leslie
(15.07.21) Re: Enquiry 64528

Business

ICO (Data Protection)

From Information Commissioners office (dataprotectionofee@ico.org.uk)
(24.06.21) ICO – Renewal Confirmation ICO: 00017111028

Other Correspondence

SSEN & Electricity Power Lines

From Dave Lynch (Dav.S.Lynche@sse.com)
(27.07.21) North East 400kV Upgrade

Insch Hospital – Friends of Insch Hospital

Jane Reid (janereidinsch@aol.com)
(12.08.21) Friends Mailing List – Insch Hospital
(14.07.21) Re: Letter from Friends of Insch Hospital and Community
(30.06.21) Letter from Friends of Insch Hospital and Community

Leslie Road Flooding

From Bill Cameron (billcameron@btopenworld.com)
(30.07.21) Re: Floods Warning!!
(26.07.21): Fwd: Floods Warning!!
(16.07.21) Re: Enquiry 62458
(15.07.21) Re: Enquiry 62458
(09.07.21) Re: Flooding at Crossroads in Leslie (2 emails)
(06.07.21) Flooding at Crossroads in Leslie
(03.06.21) Re: Enquiry 624528 (1 email directly to BCC)
(02.06.21) Re: Enquiry 624528 (1 email directly to BCC)

(01.07.21) Re: Enquiry 624528 (Drains) (2 Emails - BCC copied in no Email to Cllr. Leslie)
(30.06.21) Fw: Enquiry 624528 (Email Fw to BCC – original email sent to AC & Cllr. Leslie)
(30.06.21): Re: Enquiry 624528
(22.06.21) Re: Enquiry624528 (BCC copied in on Email to AC)
(22.06.21) Fw: Road In Leslie (BCC copied in on Email to Cllr. Leslie)
(18.06.21) Re: Enquiry 624528
(17.06.21) Fw: Enquiry 62458

From Cllr. Leslie (cldr.sebastian.leslie@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

((30.07.21) Re: Floods Warning!!
30.06.21) Re: Enquiry 624528 (Leslie Roads – Bill Cameron)

From Cllr. Hazel Smith (cldr.hazel.smith@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

(26.06.21) Re) Enquiry 624528
(20.06.21) Re: enquiry 624528 (Leslie Roads – Bill Cameron)

Speeding Insch

From Patience Schell (patienceschell@yahoo.co.uk)

(31.07.21) Speeding in Insch

Chapel of Garioch School – Paths / Roads / 20MPH Signs

From Gemma Insley (gemmainsley@hotmail.com)

(22.08.21) Re: Road Past Chapel of Garioch School
(17.08.21) Road Past Chapel of Garioch School

From Carly Morris (mrsscarly1984@gmail.com)

(23.08.21) Re: Safety Concerns
(18.08.21) Safety Concerns (Road Outside & to Chapel of Garioch School)

From Jacqueline Graham (Jacqueline.grahman28@googlemail.com)

(21.08.21) Hillhead of Pitbee to Primary School Road Concerns

NHS Scotland

From Christopher Third (christopher.third@nhs.scotland)

(13.07.21) Good to Share Healthcare Improvement Scotland Community Engagement Grampian 13 July 2021

Insch Community Food Larder

From Dr Kay Gauld (kaygauld@gmail.com)

(03.07.21) Re: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement
(26.06.21) Re: Aberdeenshire Health and Social Care Partnership – Insch Engagement
(19.06.21) Re: Community Impact Assessment – Covid-19 Survey

Insch Community Hall

From Grianne Patton (grainnepattom@gmail.com)

(19.08.21) Insch Community Hall

Scottish Tech Army

From Brian Davey (brian.davey@improvementservvce.org.uk)

(21.06.21) Re: Aberdeenshire Community Councils – Improvement Service – Scottish Tech Army – Pilot Digital Skills Project – Website Templates – Thursday 24th June 2021 2pm-3.30pm

(17.06.21) Aberdeenshire Community Councils – Improvement Service – Scottish Tech Army – Pilot Digital Skills Project – Website Templates – Thursday 24th June 2021 2pm-3.30pm

Ride the North

From Neil Velodays (neil@velodays.com)

(28.06.21) Fw: Ride the North 2021 – Event Announcement

Shevlock Woods Insch – Woodland Creatures Event

Message via BCC Facebook Page

From Cameron Mowat (Cameron.mowat@gmail.com)

(12.07.21) Woodlands Creatures Theatre Production

Premnay

From Karen Ferguson (kaz_ferg@yahoo.co.uk)

(18.07.21) BCC Councillor for Premnay