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Bennachie Community Council
Minutes of the Meeting held on 14 June 2021
On-line Meeting following AGM
(On-line function hosted by Aberdeenshire Council)

Present: Andy Miller (Chair/Oyne), Frank Musgrave (Vice Chair/Oyne), Wally Rhodes (Treasurer/Leslie), Stuart Rennie (Planning/Insch), Wendy Glasspool (Sec/Chapel of Garioch), Wilma McIntosh (Rayne), Alan Simpson (Leslie), Stan Averell (Culsalmond), Scott Ewan (Insch), Hugh Fraser (Insch), Robert Grant (Insch), Leslie Ovington (Insch), Cllr Harper, Cllr Smith & Ann Overton (Garioch Area Manager Aberdeenshire Council)

Apologies: None received

Visitors: Sarah Robinson (Leslie)

Item 1 – Declarations of Interest

1. Robert Grant (Insch) made a declaration of interest related to Planning and as such will opt out of BCC planning related matters.
2. Wally Rhodes (Treasurer / Leslie) made a declaration of interest that the accounts auditor (Kat Rhodes) was his daughter in-law.

Item 2 – Minutes of the Last Meeting

3. It was confirmed the minutes of the last formal BCC meeting held on 02 March 20 had been circulated and approved by email last year. Approved minutes forwarded to AC June 2020 by the Sec.

Item 3 – Police Report

4. No current Police Report. Sec confirmed last received report was April and had been circulated. Sec reminded everyone the Police Report was not for public distribution. Action: Sec to contact Sgt Rachael MacLennan to confirm proposed meeting dates for 2021/2022 as per previous years.
5. Frank suggested the BCC should have a single point of contact to liaise with the police / police issues. Contact person to be decided.

Sec

Item 4 – BCC Business

6. Decisions Since Last Meeting None. Confirmation of Zoom license. Thanks to Scott for organizing.
7. Induction of New Community Councillors Ann Overton (Area Manager Garioch AC) confirmed letters were sent out welcoming new Cllrs with links to the on-line Community Council Handbook etc. Ann also reminded everyone of ALDO (council on-line training portal) and wealth of training available for Cllrs. Pre Covid-19 the council had provided Introduction to Being a Community Councillor and Planning evenings. Anyone interested in training to contact Alison Cummings (AC) via the Sec.
8. Glens of Foundland Windfarm Trust Wilma offered to continue as a BCC representative. Andy offered to be the 2nd representative replacing Sarah Robinson (previous Chair).
9. Format of Meetings Sec proposed no change to meetings (i.e. BCC to operate as per the last year as approved by AC) due to continued COVID restrictions and very poor internet / broadband

All

across the BCC area. Agreed by all. Chair to continue to provide monthly / bimonthly updates as per meeting dates of main issues.

Chair

10. Financial Statement Wally advised the £500 donation to Insch Community Larder had been made. With estimated operating costs etc for the year the balance was expected to be ~£4100. Wally also reminded everyone to claim operational BCC expenses (e.g. printing, etc).

11. Important Dates Scheme of Establishment deadline 5th July. Frank to review documents and make comments as required.

FM

12. Minutes Secretary Sec asked if anyone would be interested in becoming the Minutes Secretary to help reduce the Sec workload as prior to Covid-19 BCC had been seeking to fill this role. Sec gave an overview of role, taking minutes during meeting and writing up post meeting. Robert Grant offered to take on this role. Sec to provide Robert with template.

RG &
Sec

13. BCC Passwords, Website, FB Frank suggested the BCC email passwords should be changed as there had been changes to BCC membership. Action: Sec to change BCC email password. Scott indicated a replacement for Sarah (Robinson, previous Chair) was needed to help cover the website and FB page. Hugh Fraser offered to be Sarah's replacement.

Sec
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Item 5 – Planning

StR

14. Planning Stuart confirmed he would continue to send out information related to the Weekly Planning Lists by email and BCC to continue comments via email.

15. LDP Stuart had provided an update via email prior to the meeting.

StR

Item 6 – Roads and Transport

16. Dualling A96 East of Huntly to Inverurie Consultation December 2020 Frank confirmed the BCC response had been submitted.

Further to an update request by Sarah Robinson (previous Chair) the Sec read out an email from Cllr Argyll which the BCC received afternoon 14th June 2021 and had not been distributed prior to the meeting: *“On the A96, TS are at Stage 3 of DMRB – detailed work on the route. No date as yet on next stage which will be consultation on that route. I have also sought an update from Council officers so will update as soon as I have that. What Nestrans and the council have been doing is pressing TS to incorporate active travel into their plans and not to do what they did with the A9 dualling which was to refuse to have a cycle lane until pretty well forced into it when faced with a formal objection from the Cairngorms National Park Authority”*

17. Insch Railway Station No updates from TS (Transport Scotland), NESTRANS or Jo Duck (AECOM Consultants). Cllr Argyll gave the following update in above email *“On the station, a response is expected from TS on the 16th June”*. Action Chair / Sec to follow up.

Chair
/ Sec

18. Other Continued speeding concerns within the area which is being monitored by the Police and local residents. Widespread surface dressing on-going throughout the area.

Item 7 – Infrastructure and Services

19. No information or updates given / available.

Item 8 - Aberdeenshire Council

20. Councillors Report Cllr Harper & Cllr Smith were present at the meeting and asked for continued copying into BCC issues (e.g. meeting minutes, monthly updates when formal meetings are not being held, local issues / concerns). Cllrs also asked how best they could contribute further

to the BCC.

Item 9 – Chapel of Garioch

21. Nothing to report

Item 10 - Culsalmond

22. Nothing to report

Item 11 – Inch

23. Tree Preservation Order Stuart advised that a tree preservation order had been declined.

24. Traffic Ongoing traffic volumes and speeding concerns (see previous minutes).

25. Inch Flood Study No update from Lee Watson (AC) regarding the Inch Flood Study.

26. Inch Household Waste & Recycling Facility Cllr Smith advised the site may be under review and that future proposals would go to the Council Meeting on 24th June 2021. BCC advised that we were not aware of any proposed changes to the site. Wally advised that on recently visiting the site an operative had thought the site may be ear marked for closure. BCC to await outcome of Council Meeting.

Item 12 - Leslie

27. Leslie Roads On-going concerns raised by a local resident (Mr Bill Cameron) regarding surface water / drains / road sweeping. Post meeting Wally Rhodes contacted AC and Sec contacted Ward 10 Councillors (Cllrs Harper, Leslie & Smith) asking for assistance.

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Sec

Item 13 - Oyne

28. Andy gave a summary of items including on-going speeding and an update on the Oyne Community Association.

Item 14 – Premnay

29. No representatives present.

Item 15 – Rayne

30. Car Park Near Old Rayne School & Play Area & Roadside Drain Wilma gave an update regarding damage to arable field and nearby property, car park etc due to run off associated with a blocked / damaged drain. Cllr Smith confirmed she had received photographs of the damage. Ann Overton (AC) asked for a copy of the photographs and indicated she would look at taking this forward. Wilma to send photographs to Ann Overton.

WM

Item 16 – AOCB

31. Ann Overton (AC) advised Covid-19 default position was for the Council to continue working from home where possible. Site visits can be requested with risk assessments to be performed.

Item 17 – Next Meeting

32. The next meeting was planned for Monday 23 August 2021 in the Inch Institute at 7.00pm if Covid-19 restrictions allowed. No formal on-line meeting due to broadband / internet issues planned.

Bennachie Community Council
No Police Report for June 2020

Bennachie Community Council
Papers Tabled as of 14 June 2021
No Meeting – Meetings Suspended Due to Covid-19 Pandemic

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)
(04.06.21) June 2021 Business Watch

Planning

From Fraser Napier / Katie Cranwell / Hannah Gray / Calum Wright / Emma Furneaux (Aberdeenshire Council) & Adminhub (Adminhub.woodhill@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(14.06.21) 14 June 021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(07.06.21) 07 June 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch
(31.05.21) 31 May 2021 – Weekly List – Garioch

From Piers Blaxter (piers.blaxter@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(27.05.21) Development Plan Scheme 2021

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

Licensing

No Papers Received

Roads/Transport

Road Closures

From Elizabeth Ross (Elizabeth.ross@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) Elma Murray (elma.murray@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(04.06.21) For Information: Garioch Surface Dressing, Temporary Traffic Management – 21 June 2021 – 30 September 2021
(26.05.21) For Information: Temporary Road Closure – C60s Old Rayne

Insch Railway Station & A96 Dualling

From Cllr Peter Argyle (cllr.p.argyle@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)
(03.06.21) Re: Insch Train Station, A96 Dualling & Insch Roads)

A96 Dualling East of Huntly to Aberdeen

From Billy Gordon (Billy.Gordon@amey.co.uk)

(07.06.21) Community Development Fund – A96 Dualling East of Huntly to Aberdeen

Aberdeenshire Council

From Ann Overton (ann.overton@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) &

(09.06.21) The Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils – Phase 3

(04.06.21) Re: BCC AGM Online Meeting

From Alison Cumming (alison.cumming@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

(09.06.21) Fw: CCLO Network Event, 24th Feb 2021 – Recording+Capture of Chat+Letters+Slides (CC Website Accessibility)

(08.06.21) Community Council Grants 2021/22

(02.06.21) Re: Please Help – Election Officer / Returning Officer

(25.05.21) Bennachie Community Council AGM (Skype Joining Details)

From Fiona Garden (fiona.garden@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) &

(garioch@abernddshire.gov.uk)

(08.06.21) The Queens Green Canopy Project

(08.06.21) Practice Skype Meeting before AGM

(07.06.21) Covid PCR Testing Approach – Scottish Agricultural Sector

(04.06.21) Re: Creative Aberdeenshire – Call for Artists

(04.06.21) Re: CC Forum Meeting – Tuesday 8 June (Meeting Joining Instructions)

(27.05.21) Garioch Area Initiatives Fun – 1st Tranche Closing 31 May 2021

(27.05.21) Creative Aberdeenshire – Call for Artists

(25.05.21) Small Grants Fund – Litter Picking

(25.05.21) Bennachie Community Council Election

(25.05.21) Garioch Area Committee Agenda Papers – 01.06.2021

(25.05.21) CC Forum Meeting – Tuesday 8 June

From Clare Tierney (clare.tierney@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

(03.06.21) Doors Open Days 2021 – Save the Date

From Caroline Smith (caroline.smith@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

(11.06.21) Garioch Local Community Planning E-Bulletin – 11.06.2021

(28.05.21) Garioch Local Community Planning E-Bulletin – 28.05.2021

Ward 10 Councillors

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

(02.06.21) Re: Please Help – Election Officer / Returning Officer

From Cllr. Victoria Harper (cldr.victoria.harper@aberdeenshire.gov.uk)

(02.06.21) Re: Please Help – Election Officer / Returning Officer

Business

New CCs

From Lesley Ovington (lesley1909@btinternet.com)
(29.05.21) New Community Councillor

Review of Scheme of Establishment

From Ann Overton (ann.overton@aberdeenshire.gov.uk) &
(09.06.21) The Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils – Phase 3

Zoom License

From Zoom Video Communications Inc (billing@zoom.us)
(14.06.21) Payment Processed for 5002846744
(14.06.21) Please Activate Your Zoom Account

Other Correspondence

SSEN & Electricity Power Lines

From Dave Lynch (Dav.S.Lynche@sse.com)
(10.06.21) North East 400kV OHL Upgrade
(10.06.21) SSEN Transmission – Kintore Community Liaison Group

Insch Hospital – Friends of Insch Hospital

Sheena Lonchay (sheena.lonchay@gmail.com)

(25.05.21) Fw: Re-opening of Insch War Memorial Hospital

Leslie Flooding

From Bill Cameron (billcameron@btopenworld.com)
(08.06.21) Fw: Enquiry 62458 (2 emails – road flooding)

NHS Healthcare Improvement Scotland

From Vicky Ballantyne (Vicky.ballantyne@nhs.scotland)
(10.06.21) 20210610 Its Good to Share! Grampian

Insch Community Food Larder

From Dr Kay Gauld (kaygauld@gmail.com)
(11.06.21) Re: Community Development Fund – A96 Dualling East of Huntly to Aberdeen Scheme
(01.06.21) Re: Website Enquiry (ref: Kate Hamilton)

Website Enquiry

From Kate (Kathleen) Hamilton (ks.hamilton57@hotmail.com)
(27.05.21) Website Enquiry – Help with Medicine Delivery

Kintore Town Park

From Paul Davison (drpauldavison@gmail.com)
(01.06.21) Kintore Town Park Application Refused
(28.05.21) Please Help a Neighbouring Community Council

Ride the North

From Neil Velodays (neil@velodays.com)

(03.06.21) Re: Ride the North 2021 – Insch

(27.05.21) Re: Ride the North 2021 – Insch

Small Grants Fund / Litter Picking

From Hugh Fraser (hughfraser1984@icould.com)

(26.05.21) Re: Small Grants Fund – Litter Picking

Robert Gordons University

From Candace Elson (e.elson@rgu.ac.uk)

(09.06.21) Aberdeenshire – Young Person’s Enterprise Programme

Aberdeenshire Peer Support Services

From Michael Taylor (MichaleTylor@turningpointscotland.com)

(07.06.21) Garioch Area