

## NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minute of the 304<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council held in Skateraw Hall, Newtonhill at 7.30pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017

PRESENT – Mr Morgan (Chair), Mrs Stephen, Mrs Nelson, Mrs Brown, Mr Hargreaves, Mr Peaker, Mr Jury, Mrs Usher, Mrs Vassilikos, Councillors Evison, Mollison and Nelson, Mr Pike, PC Wallace and 6 members of the public.

Mr Morgan welcomed all present and wished everyone a Happy New Year.

1 – APOLOGIES – Mrs Ash, Mrs Yarnold, Mr Caie.

2 – POLICE REPORT – PC Wallace attended. In the Kincardine Area since the middle of December 2016 there have been 162 incidents reported leading to 25 crime reports being raised. Online Police Survey showed local priorities to be anti-social behaviour and disorder, homes being broken into, drug dealing/misuse, violent crime, child abuse including sexual exploitation. Hi-viz mobile patrols will continue. Rural crime prevention – usually involves insecure buildings. The 50mph limit on the A90 is now in place. Concerns were raised re the dangers concerning the Wellington Road junction. The AWPR team will look into this problem esp at peak times.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 Aberdeenshire Council's Policy and Resources Committee will discuss Police attendance at Community Councils. Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson proposes setting up a consultation including Councillors and Community Councillors.

3 – MINUTE of 303<sup>rd</sup> MEETING – Accepted.

4 – MATTERS ARISING

(1)(4.4) Christmas Night Out – Enjoyed by all. Letter of thanks has been sent to the Station Hotel.

(2)(4.5) Green Waste Collection in Newtonhill – The new recycling centre at Badentoy has been opened. The summer green waste collection at Newtonhill will not take place this summer. Discussion followed re the removal of this facility but it appears Aberdeenshire Council are adamant there will be no collection at Newtonhill. Could big Community composting bins be the answer?

(3)(4.6) Seat on the Moor – Still not been replaced. COUNCILLOR MOLLISON will follow this up.

(4)(9.1) Children's Safety – Letter has been written to Newtonhill Primary School, Junior Road Safety Group.

5 – PLANNING

(1) Planning permission has been granted for 6 houses on the site of Cammies. Awaiting a Section 75 agreement.

(2) No update for planning application for Gillybrands.

(3) Residents of Newtonhill are upset at the installation of 'big grey box' at the sewage pumping station. Mr Morgan has complained to Kelda water who are responsible for the installation. and COUNCILLOR MOLLISON is to meet with Kelda Water to see what can be done.

Ground round the 'box' also needs tidied up.

(4) Planning application for new house at East Cammachmore. MR MORGAN is to write registering our objections that this is a Green Belt area.

(5) Proposed Wind Farm at Craigneil – Mr Morgan attended public exhibition and registered concerns re tv reception. He also proposed the setting up of Wind Farm fund suggesting this be done with the help of KDP.

6 – HOUSES on the MOOR – Mr Morgan has made an unsuccessful request under the Freedom of Information Act for all papers relating to proposed sale of land. It was said that the investigation would be too expensive. Mr Morgan then requested a copy of papers given to Councillors re proposed sale of land but these have been withheld by Aberdeenshire Council. The matter is now being taken to the Public Service Ombudsman. Bremner King's daughter has been contacted and she is now consulting a solicitor. Mr Morgan and Mr Peaker have had a meeting with representatives from Barratts to discuss the development. Barratt maintain they are not the purchasers of the land. Disruption of Nature Reserve will be kept to a minimum and the path across the moor will stay.

7 – COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN – Work in progress.

8 – PROPOSED ABERDEENSHIRE DEVELOPMENT PLAN –(1) The Plan has now been scrutinised by the Scottish Ministers and has been returned to Aberdeenshire Council with some minor modifications - travellers' halting site at Chapelton has been removed; OP1 will not be removed. Plan should be adopted in March 2017. (2) Consultation on Planning by the Scottish Government – MR MORGAN will forward relevant document to Community Councillors. It is proposed that the whole of the Planning System is to change. The Development Plan may become a 10 year plan. At the moment if a planning application is refused then appeals are sent to the Scottish Reporter. In future it is proposed to deal with this locally. Any comments are needed by beginning of April 2017.

9 – FUTURE of COMMUNITY COUNCIL FORUMS – Agenda for Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017. Proposed future dates – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August, Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2017. It was suggested that the August date

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be changed as this is during the school holidays. MR MORGAN to report back with our answers to the survey on the future of Community Council Forums.

10 – BUDGET ENGAGEMENT – No report on meeting of Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017. There is an online survey to complete but Mr Morgan reported completion is not without difficulty.

11 – AGM – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Due to stand down but eligible for re-election : Newtonhill – Mr Peaker, Mrs Vassilikos, Mrs Usher; Muchalls – Mrs Brown, Mrs Nelson, Mrs Stephen. Intimation in Leader 27<sup>th</sup> January 2017 and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017. COUNCILLOR NELSON agreed to be Returning Officer.

### 12 – CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) Chapelton News Issue 13 – Autumn 2016
- (2) Low carbon vehicle attitudes survey – <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/lowcarbonvehicles> - responses by 2nd December 2016.
- (3) Domestic abuse workshop, Stonehaven, 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016.
- (4) BROXAP street furniture.
- (5) KDP – Note on Halls Association Meeting. Most halls appear to be having problems heating halls.
- (6) PLANTSCAPE – Transform your town in 2017.
- (7) Agenda for Community Council Forum
- (8) Road closure at the Bents Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December for three days.
- (9) Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership – Briefing note of November 2016,
- (10) Transport volunteers needed to help support community transport operators.
- (11) KDP weekly updates.
- (12) Phil Mills-Bishop re Community Council Forum
- (13) Reducing Food Waste in the UK – Central London, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016.
- (14) The Future of Troubled Families – Central London, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017.
- (15) Footway closure – Berryhill Place, Newtonhill, 5/12/16 – 30/12/16.
- (16) Tackling Dangerous Dogs – Central London, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2016.
- (17) Effective Data Visualisation – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2016, Edinburgh.
- (18) Report on Community Council Forum Meeting from Mr Morgan.
- (19) Removal of BT Phone Boxes Consultation – None in our Area.
- (20) AVA November newsletter – Circulate.
- (21) Community Council Forum on Budget Engagement – No report.
- (22) Defibrillators made affordable for your community.
- (23) WICKSTEED Playgrounds.
- (24) Homelessness and Inclusion – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016, London.
- (25) Front cover for K and M December 2016 Information Bulletin.
- (26) Waste Services arrangements over the festive period.
- (27) Aberdeenshire Council Budget – [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/budget-engagement](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/budget-engagement)
- (28) AVA December 2016 newsletter – Circulate.
- (29) Community and Adult Education : maximising learning and development – 24 January 2017, Edinburgh.
- (30) Official Opening of Portlethen Household Waste Recycling Centre – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 10.30am. – Passed to Mr Morgan.
- (31) AVA has appointed a funding officer on a term of 20 hours per week till March 2018 – Donna Speed.
- (32) Report on Chapelton Liaison Group Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016.
- (33) Special Community Council Forum – Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016, 7 – 9pm, Viewmount.
- (34) White Hill Direct Ltd – New Outdoor Notice Boards Brochure.
- (35) Statistics for Non-Statisticians – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017, Central London.
- (36) Dates for Community Council Forums – 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 25<sup>th</sup> May, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017.
- (37) Winter Services 2016/2017 – Briefing Note.
- (38) Survey on Barriers to Community Engagement in the Scottish Planning System ; online survey – Forwarded to Mr Morgan
- (39) Floral Displays and Planters from PLANTSCAPE
- (40) Reducing food waste in the UK – 26/1/17, London.
- (41) Increasing Access to Community Adult Education – 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017, Central Edinburgh.
- (42) Tackling Dangerous Dog Attacks – 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017, London.
- (43) BROXAP litter bins and recycling units.
- (44) B and C Shelter Solutions Ltd.
- (45) Troubled Families – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017, London.
- (46) Joanne Lumsden – Perceptions of Chapelton – passed to Mr Morgan.
- (47) Note on Developer contributions from Councillor Mollison.
- (48) Minutes of Transport Action Kincardine (TrAK) EGM November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016. The next meeting will take place in the Community Education Centre, Stonehaven at 7.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

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- (49)Deadline for next St Cyrus newsletter is 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
- (51)White Hill Direct Ltd – Recycled plastic outdoor furniture.
- (52)Front cover for the K and M December 2016 Information Bulletin.
- (53) Free Training for Community Groups and Volunteers – Cycling UK wants to help set up cycling clubs locally – Community Cycle Clubs. Contact details passed to NVA.
- (54)What does living well in Scotland mean to you? Carnegie UK Trust – 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017, Inverurie
- (55)Defibrillators for Communities.
- (56)Effective Information Sharing – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017, Central London.
- (57)Check Out the Best Broadband Service Options.
- (58)Access European Funding – 27<sup>th</sup> April 2017, Central Edinburgh.
- (59)Green Side Direct – Your logo on hi-viz jackets.
- (60)Kincardine and Mearns Citizen's Advice Bureau Outreach Service – Portlethen Medical Practice, Tuesday afternoons by appointment – 01569 766 578.

### 13 – AOCB

- (1) Scheme for Establishment of Community Councils - Councillor Nelson raised concerns re someone who owns a business in one area but resides in another can stand as Community Councillor in the area where their business is located.
- (2) Mr Hargreaves reported on Community Council finances – current account £695, savings account £251. Any suggestions on how to spend some money? Mr Morgan is in the process of repairing the noticeboard at West Cammachmore.
- (3) Mr Peaker approached TESCO to see if they want tree supports removed but they have a maintenance contractor who will carry this out.
- (4) Enhanced Provision will be discussed on February 16<sup>th</sup> 2017. Paperwork should be available approx. a week before.
- (5) Inspiring Aberdeenshire looking for nominees for awards.
- (6) AVA has a training scheme for helping people go for a walk or a cycle.
- (7) Councillor Nelson attended an award ceremony at Glenbervie Primary School where the School received a gold award from Sport Scotland. There was only one other award winner in Aberdeenshire – Rothienorman.
- (8) Complaints received re litter in Newtonhill and rubbish being left by paper delivery boys and girls. Lid of the paper box is also broken. MR MORGAN to contact Willie Munro and Aberdeen Journals to see if anything can be done.
- (9) The path from the Mill to the Retreat is in a bad state of repair. COUNCILLOR MOLLISON to see if AWPR can provide any help.

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The 305<sup>th</sup> meeting will take place in Skateraw Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

### AGENDA

- 1– APOLOGIES – Mrs Usher.
- 2– POLICE REPORT
- 3 – MINUTE of 304<sup>th</sup> MEETING
- 4 – MATTERS ARISING
  - (1)(4.2) Green waste collection in Newtonhill
  - (2)(4.3) Seat on the moor
  - (3)(4.4) Children's safety
  - (4)(5.3) 'Grey box'
  - (5)(9) Future of Community Councils
  - (6)(13.2) Community Council funds
  - (7)(13.4) Enhanced Provision
  - (8)(13.8) Litter
  - (9)(13.9) Path from the Mill to the Retreat
- 5 - PLANNING
- 6 – HOUSES on the MOOR
- 7 – AGM
- 8 – CORRESPONDENCE
- 9 - AOCB

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