

# NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Briefing Note, August 2020

During the period of lockdown resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Community Council continues to function, but has not held any public meetings. We may hold a public meeting during September, but that looks unlikely.

This Briefing Note outlines some of the work that the Community Council has been involved in.

If you need help or information about COVID-19, then contact the **Grampian COVID 19 Assistance Hub** [www.gcah.org.uk](http://www.gcah.org.uk). Tel: **0808 196 3384**

1 – PHOENIX FUND – Newtonhill is eligible for a one-off grant from Aberdeenshire Council to help the region's town centre businesses bounce back from the economic impact of lockdown. The Skateraw Hall Committee is coordinating the application from Newtonhill.

### 2 – PLANNING

- (1) 2020/0945 Second application (first was withdrawn) for Signage to the Sales and Information cabin for the houses on the moor. The Community Council made a detailed submission objecting to the planning application. Now awaiting determination.
- (2) 2020/0946 Second application (first was withdrawn) for Sales and Information cabin for the houses on the moor. The Community Council made a detailed submission objecting to the planning application. Now awaiting determination.
- (3) 2020/1539 Extension to Agricultural Building at Mill of Muchalls, Bridge of Muchalls. A response has been submitted.

3 – HOUSES on the MOOR – Concern has been raised regarding heavy plant lorries using Park Place for access to the new housing site. These lorries are frequently mounting the pavement to avoid cars parked at the roadside. Any damage to the pavement should be reported to Aberdeenshire Council.

4 – STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN – The Aberdeen City and Shire Strategic Development Plan 2020 has been approved by Scottish Ministers and adopted by Aberdeenshire Council. The plan is available for download from: <http://www.aberdeencityandshire-sdpa.gov.uk/>.

5 – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN – The consultation on the Proposed Local Development Plan 2020 has now closed. The Community Council submitted a response with a number of important changes that we would like to see made.

6 – COMMUNITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT – Aberdeenshire Council held a web-forum to allow participants to comment on the Council's handling of the impact of COVID-19 and lockdown. All residents are invited to make comments via <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8XT65QX>.

7 – SCHEME FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS – Aberdeenshire Council has embarked on a consultation, in three parts, to update the scheme. The first part of the consultation is to determine any changes in boundaries and membership numbers. No changes required for us.

8 – VACANCIES ON THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL – There are currently three vacancies to join the Community Council: one vacancy for a resident from Newtonhill and two vacancies for residents from Cammachmore. At the moment, there are no public meetings and communication between members is mainly via email. Contact Michael Morgan (730789 or [michael.morgan.nmccc@gmail.com](mailto:michael.morgan.nmccc@gmail.com)) for further details.



COVID-19 has not gone away.  
It is up to each one of us to assess the risks.  
Remain vigilant and stay safe.

