

NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft minute of 330th Meeting of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council held in Skateraw Hall, Newtonhill at 7.30pm on Wednesday 21st August 2019.

PRESENT – Mr Morgan (Chair), Mrs Stephen, Miss Daniels, Mr Flockhart, Mr Cruickshank, Mr Ewing, Mr Peaker, Councillors Mollison and Pike and 6 members of the public.

1 - APOLOGIES – Councillor Evison and Mr Chew

2 - POLICE REPORT – Written Report submitted.

3 - MINUTE of 329th MEETING – Accepted.

4 – MATTERS ARISING

(1)(4.1) Newtonhill Playpark – It is now three years since the project was first discussed and work has still not started. Area Manager's Office assures all is in hand and work should soon commence.

(2)(4.2) White lines at TESCO – This is on Aberdeenshire Council's to do list – probably autumn/winter. Lines at crossing will be painted but probably no anti-skid surface.

(3)(4.3) Post box at TESCO – Still waiting but will continue to follow it up.

(4)(4.4) Water damage near the Bettridge Centre - Also on Aberdeenshire Council's to do list. After several phone calls and emails Mr Flockhart informed us an aerial surface is needed to check drains. No work will commence before autumn/winter. Should Neil West, Landscape Services Officer, be contacted re a possible meeting to discuss the situation?

5 – PLANNING – There was a lengthy discussion on the appeal by Barratts for 121 houses on the Moor which has been upheld. Aberdeenshire Council have to pay the costs. Attendees felt they had been badly let down by Aberdeenshire Council staff but were full of praise for the Councillors. Will residents put up the same fight if there are further planning applications? There should be a Community Liaison Officer at Barratts who will keep us updated on developments. The Strategic Development Plan is now with the Reporter. The Local Development Plan has been discussed by Local Councillors, then goes to Infrastructure Services followed by Full Council and then the proposed Local Development Plan goes to the Reporter (possibly early next year).

6 – SCOTTISH PLANNING BILL – This is now the Scottish Planning Act. This provides guidance for Local Development Plans. There have been several changes – eg the requirement for sustainable development has been repealed. A requirement for the Minister to report on need for housing for elderly and disabled has been introduced. The Strategic Development Plan has been axed. Local Development Plans will deal with, amongst other things, education needs and capacity of education services, local place plans. Members of a planning authority dealing with planning applications will be required to have completed training.

7 – LOCALITIES PLAN – This will be an everchanging document helping to guide us in our thinking of what the area needs. Copies have been given to Community Councillors and can be viewed in the website and facebook. A copy will be given to the Area Manager stating it represents the views of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore It was agreed to adopt the document. Amendments can be made at any time.

8 – UNDERPASS from NEWTONHILL to CAMMACHMORE – Residents on either side of the gap have been contacted with positive feedback although one thought there could be problems with flooding if the steps were removed. Mr Morgan contacted SEPA who confirmed that the embankment would have to stay as it is. As grants will have to be applied for it is back to the drawing board to see how to make it disabled friendly.

9 – PARKING at NEWTONHILL SCHOOL – Still no banners. Friends of Newtonhill School are to discuss the design with Aberdeenshire Council. Parents are still parking on zig-zag lines and in people's drive ways. It was noted that a 20mph speed limit is not always effective

10 – COMMUNITY COUNCIL GRANT – Copy of draft AGM minute and certified accounts need to be sent to Aberdeenshire Council.

11 – CO-OPTION of NEW MEMBERS – None

12 - CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Chapelton News – summer 2019

(2) Jacqueline Hawkes – Armed Forces Day, Saturday 29th June 2019.

(3) AWPR Permanent Orders

(4) Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership, May 2019

(5) AVA newsletter July 2019.

(6) Participation Request Workshop Summary Report

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- (7) Town Centre Festive Lighting. – www.festivelighting.co.uk
- (8) It's Good to Share – Scottish Health Council
- (9) Light Touch Review – Community Council Scheme of Establishment – Replies needed by Friday 21st June 2019
- (10) No such thing as a free lunch – Bettridge Centre, Wednesday 26th June 2019, 12 – 1.30pm.
- (11) Kincardine and Mearns Halls Association EGM minutes.
- (12) Paul Macari – Newtonhill Developer Obligations Contributions.
- (13) KDP weekly bulletins
- (14) Maximising Community Gains from Elite Sporting Success in Scotland – 29th August 2019, Edinburgh.
- (15) Women into Leadership, 2019/2020. Belfast, London, Manchester.
- (16) The Next Steps for Integrating Communities – 10th July 2019, London.
- (17) Health and Social Care Workforce – 29th August 2019, Edinburgh.
- (18) Funding Local Government – Edinburgh, 27th August 2019.
- (19) Local Authority Parking – 9th July 2019, London.
- (20) BT Consultation on Proposed Pay Phone Removal in Aberdeenshire 2019 – Nothing in our area.
- (21) Focus on Climate Adaptation – 31st July 2019, Stonehaven Community Centre.
- (22) Scottish Land Commission seeks community views – www.landcommission.gov.scot/communityengagement
- (23) Earth Anchors – Furniture for parks and streets.
- (24) Gypsy and Traveller Communities in Scotland – The equality time bomb – 20th September 2019, Edinburgh.
- (25) Climate Challenge Fund newsletter.
- (26) Community Council Get-together cancelled.
- (27) Forest Management carried out by Forestry and Land Scotland.
- (28) Email from Eric Hargreaves re 'keeping children safe on the internet' – Wednesday 28th August 2019, 7pm, St Ternan's Church. £5.
- (29) GrassHOPPER Ticket – Customer Survey – <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/XYVTKCM>
- (30) Save the Date Funding Fair- Saturday 14th September 2019, 10am, Stonehaven has been cancelled due to being unable to attract sufficient grant funders to make it worthwhile
- (31) Kincardine and Mearns Area Committee Information Bulletin May 2019
- (32) Traffex Scotland – SEC Glasgow, 13/14 November 2019.
- (33) Plantscape – New herb planters for autumn, winter, spring
- (34) Does your Council need to rethink the strategy behind service provision – 31st October 2019, London
- (35) Children's Rights Protecting, Supporting, Empowering – 19th September 2019, Edinburgh.
- (36) Our Girls, Our Game : Creating a legacy from our national team's success – 27th August 2019, Edinburgh.
- (37) St Cyrus newsletter deadline – 20th July 2019.
- (38) Safe staffing Scotland's social and health care services – 29th August 2019, Edinburgh.
- (39) Fairer Duty Event – Edinburgh, 20th August 2019
- (40) Meikle Carewe Wind Farm Fund now open
- (41) Request for Information for dissertation research – passed to MR MORGAN
- (42) Ian Thomson has retired as Landscape Services Officer. Neil West is his replacement.
- (43) New Mobile Phone Technology for Police Scotland.
- (44) Talking Halls Event – Trying to arrange meeting for end of September/beginning October
- (45) Intense rainfall events and flooding – Any problems contact Scottish Water
- (46) Community Council Annual Networking Event – Saturday 28th September 2019, Kemnay Village Hall
- (47) Aberdeenshire Architecture and Landscape Design Awards – Public nominations now open
- (48) Gypsy and travellers in Scotland – Change of Date – Edinburgh, 1st October 2019.
- (49) AVA August 2019 newsletter
- (50) Rethinking Local Government Service Provision
- (51) What can Sport do for Scotland? – 27th August 2019, Edinburgh
- (53) Effective Data Visualisation – 8th August 2019, London
- (54) Greener Kincardine and Mearns – Mearns Community Campus, 7pm, Thursday 5th September 2019.
- (55) Help needed with Girl Guiding units in Muchalls, Newtonhill and Portlethen
- (56) Fairer Scotland – Edinburgh, 12th November 2019
- (57) Report on Bus Passenger Survey – Autumn 2018 – Next round of meetings will be held October/November.
- (58) Nominations now open for Aberdeenshire Architectural and Landscape Designs 2020
- (59) Kerbside recycling pilot scheme to begin in Braemar and Cruden Bay from Tuesday 10th September 2019.
- (60) Aberdeenshire Council – New staff to be recruited to help support efforts at Aberdeenshire recycling centres.
- (61) Invitation to attend SSEN distribution stakeholders' workshops with lunch – 3rd September 2019, Dunblane.
- (62) Agenda for Community Council Forum meeting to be held on 2nd September 2019, 7-9pm, Room 4 Carlton House. Planning are happy to attend
- (63) Through Zurich Insurance we have access to free Local Community Advisory Service.
- (64) Complaint from concerned resident re lack of grass cutting at the School and inconsiderate dog owners not picking up after their dogs. Mr Morgan has reported this to the Area Manager.

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13 – AOCB

- (1) The AGM of Skateraw Hall Committee will be held on Monday 26th August 2019. Mr Flockhart has been approached to be in charge of opening the hall and be responsible for cleaning.
- (2) The new door to the Skateraw Hall will be fitted on the 22nd August 2019. Community Council previously made a donation towards costs.
- (3) Mr Flockhart attended a public meeting held by Scotrail on 28th July 2019 to discuss services on the East Coast line. Two representatives of Scotrail attended and will shortly have responses to questions asked.
- (4) Mr Cruickshank intimated he is unable to attend the next KDP meeting.
- (5) Queries re mugging in Newtonhill. Appears this may have happened some time ago.
- (6) Query re chapel and graveyard at Elswick. This is in the NKRCC area. Aberdeenshire Archaeology Department may be able to help.
- (7) Mr Peaker asked if there is any possibility of 50mph limit in A92. Very unlikely.
- (8) There will be no green waste collection at the Bettridge Centre on 24th August 2019 or the 21st September.
- (9) The 757-bus service has stopped.
- (10) The signal box at Newtonhill will be demolished.
- (11) There have been incidences of youth annoyance in Chapelton. MR MORGAN is to write to the Police.
- (12) A member of the public commented on how well our Community Council is run. We have an excellent facebook page and minutes are available for all to see. We have some ideas which Portlethen could think about copying as they try to re-establish their Community Council.

The meeting finished at 9.25pm.



The 331st meeting of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council will be held in Skateraw Hall at 7.30pm on Wednesday 18th September 2019.

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 - (1)(4.1) Newtonhill Playpark
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 - (3)(11.61) Community Council Forum
 - (4)(13.11) Youth annoyance at Chapelton
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