

NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft minute of 334th Meeting of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council held in Skateraw Hall, Newtonhill at 7.30pm on Wednesday 15th January 2020.

PRESENT – Mr Morgan (Chair), Mr Peaker, Mr Flockhart, Mr Ewing, Mr Chew, Mrs Stephen, Miss Daniels, Councillors Evison, Mollison and Pike and 3 members of the public.

1 – APOLOGIES – Mr Morley, Mr Cruickshank, Roddy MacInnes

2 - POLICE REPORT – Two written Reports submitted for Kincardine and Mearns Community Council area.

Local Policing Plans – <https://consult.scotland.police.uk/surveys/your-police/> Comments needed by 31st December 2019. In April 2020 North East Division will be publishing their Local Policing Plans for each local authority area. These plans will be in effect from April 2020 to March 2023.

Miss Daniels reported problems with the filter lights at Charleston junction on the AWPR. MR MORGAN will write to AWPR/B-T Managing Agent at Aberdeen City Council.

Mr Flockhart queried why, after a recent fatality between Muchalls and Newtonhill, the A92 was closed from the Bridge of Dee to Stonehaven causing a great deal of hassle for residents of Newtonhill, Cammachmore and Portlethen. MR MORGAN will relay our concerns to PC Camus.

3 - MINUTE of 333rd MEETING –Accepted. See under (4.2)

4 -- MATTERS ARISING

(1)(4.1) Newtonhill Playpark – Work progressing well but still awaiting a Supernova. If there is any money left over, there has been a request that this might go to improvements at the playpark at Old Mill Road. Could a request be made to Aberdeenshire Council for match funding? Congratulations to Mrs Fleming for all her hard work.

(2)(4.2) Mr Flockhart queried the removal of post box at St Crispin's Road and installation of a bigger post box at TESCO at a cost of £2000. Post box – Royal mail has been contacted re possible decrease in cost but the price quoted already is discounted. TESCO do not wish to contribute to the cost. Aberdeenshire Council has been approached re match funding and they are now awaiting a reply from Royal Mail. MR MORGAN is to pursue the Newtonhill Common Good Fund.

(3) (4.3) Water at the Bettridge Centre – Mr Flockhart has received an apology for not being kept up to date with progress. Dry at the moment but fencing is still in place and the situation is being monitored.

(4)(4.4) Community Council Grant – Mr Ewing has now received this year's grant. No bill for hall rental since June. MR FLOCKHART will see to this.

(5)(4.5) Safety barrier on A92 – No further update.

5 – PLANNING – MR MORGAN is to write to Aberdeenshire Council in support of a change of use to a piece of land at Walker Drive, Muchalls from building plot to garden.

Local Development Plan should go before the Full Council on 15th January 2020 but not ready. The completed draft should be finalised by early 2020 and the go to the Scottish Government. Mr Morgan has written to Full Council and will contact Planning Officers too with our comments – list of local bids in the Area which should be removed; development at Chapelton should be supported and no extra bids in the Area needed; if extra facilities needed at schools developers should pay the costs MR MORGAN to also contact Head of Planning (Paul Macari) with our comments. He will also invite him to attend one of our meetings.

6 – HOUSES on the MOOR – New documents have appeared on Aberdeenshire Council planning website. Tree impact assessment – what trees have to be felled? Will they be replaced? Where will they be planted? Discussion needed with representatives of the nature reserve. What are the detailed conditions in the planning permission that must be agreed before development can proceed? MR MORGAN to email details of relevant documents to MR CHEW. Queries raised as to what happens to path across the moor during development works. Mr Chew feels that a decent map is needed so that it can be studied properly.

7 – UNDERPASS from NEWTONHILL to CAMMACHMORE – SUSTRANS has responded with details of how to apply for grants which are awarded four times a year. We now need a plan of works which need to be carried out. MR CHEW to contact IDD to see if they can do the plans –e.g. bund can't be removed, drainage, would there have to be disabled access. Would lack of disabled access cause problems with requests for funding?

8 – LOCALITY PLAN – Mr Morgan has started updating our plan. If anyone has anything to add please let him know. Mr Morgan raised the state of Scotland's education. Only reading has improved recently with the standards of maths and science still falling. Mr Morgan has put in a freedom of information request to ascertain how capacity numbers for

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schools are worked out. School capacity is to be discussed at the next Area Committee meeting. MR MORGAN to email COUNCILLOR MOLLISON re numbers.

9 –CO-OPTION of NEW MEMBERS – None.

10 - PARKING at NEWTONHILL SCHOOL – No improvement. Still the same offenders. Banners have been erected but can only be left up for specific length of time.

At this point Mr Flockhart reported on the latest Chapelton Liaison meeting. Very productive meeting. Still problems re bus shelter at the park and choose. Hopefully this will be sorted in the near future. 173 houses occupied, 15 under construction. School to be built on completion of the 489th house.

11 – CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) Alert Scotland – Public Consultation – Effectiveness of Control of Dogs Scotland Act – closes 15th January 2020.
- (2) St Cyrus newsletter November/December deadline 20th November 2019.
- (3) Public Service Data Transformation – London, 5th December 2019.
- (4) Plantscape – only 5 weeks to Christmas.
- (5) New Recycling and Waste Leaflets to be issued to residents.
- (6) Scottish Health Council – It's Good to Share
- (7) KDP weekly bulletins
- (8) Planning presentation at Banchory slides.
- (9) Draft minute of Kincardine and Mearns Area Bus Forum (31st October 2019)
- (10) Consultation on Remote Rural Communities Bill –
- (11) Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership – Note on meeting of Wednesday 7th November 2019
- (12) Volunteer Snow Warden Scheme – <http://bit.ly/AbshireSWS>.
- (13) Community Council Update Newsletter
- (14) Minute of Kincardine and Mearns Community Council Forum Meeting of 2nd September 2019 plus agenda for 28th November 2019.
- (15) Celebrating Climate Heroes
- (16) AVA December newsletter
- (17) Digital Health and Care – 25th and 26th February 2020, Edinburgh.
- (18) Evening Community Climate Gathering – November 6th 2019, 5 – 8pm, Edinburgh.
- (19) The Health of our Health and Social Workforce – 23rd January 2020, Edinburgh.
- (20) Earth Anchors street furniture.
- (21) Building a stronger society – webinar, 27th November, 2019.
- (22) Third Sector Strategy group (TSSG) Survey
- (23) Counter Terrorism Training for Public – Persons running pubs, clubs, village halls etc need to be extra vigilant - <https://ct.highfieldelearning.com/>
- (24) Talking Halls – Saturday 1st February 2020, 1-3pm, Gourdon Public Hall.
- (25) AVA December/January newsletter.
- (26) Aberdeenshire Sports Awards – Nominations needed by 14th February 2020.
- (27) SSEN Wayleave webinars – 15th and 25th January 2020
- (28) VE Day 75th Anniversary Celebrations – Details wanted on any planned events that could be shared on Facebook and social media.
- (29) Deadline for St Cyrus February/March 2020 newsletter is January 20th.

12 – AOCB

- (1) A resident of St Michael's Road has complained about trees at the back of the school. Children are climbing on them and as it is dark could fall and not be found for some time.
Problems are being caused to pedestrians by overgrowing bushes at St Ternan's Road
MR FLOCKHART to contact Aberdeenshire Council Roads Department to see what can be done.
- (2) Please keep reporting potholes.
- (3) Once again complaints re dog fouling on the Coastal Path.
- (4) A member of the public has reported lighting fault near TESCO. Still awaiting repair.

The meeting finished at 9.45pm.

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The 335th meeting will be held in Skateraw Hall, Newtonhill at 7.30pm on Wednesday 19th February 2020.

AGENDA

- 1 – APOLOGIES
- 2 – POLICE REPORT
- 3 – MINUTE of 334th MEETING
- 4 – MATTERS ARISING
 - (1)(4.1) Post box
 - (2)(11.24) Did anyone attend the Talking Halls event on 1st February 2020 at Gourdon?
- 5 – PLANNING
- 6 – HOUSES on the MOOR
- 7 – LOCALITY PLAN
- 8 – UNDERPASS from NEWTONHILL to CAMMACHMORE
- 9 – NEWSEY
- 10 – CO-OPTION of NEW MEMBERS
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