

LENNOX COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in Clochan Hall on Wednesday 20th September 2017

Attendees: Maureen Burrows, Lynn Duncan, Mike Reid, Donald Cameron, Sue Lane, John Wright, Peter Horton, Community Warden Chris Hayward, Councillor Dave Bremner

Apologies: Alison Hook, Anna-Mary Overing, Councillors Shona Morrison and Marc Macrae, Chris Campbell, Sue Lane and Robert Gray

1.Youth Reps Business	No Reps from Milnes High School this month	
2 Police Report	Read through hand discussed. Fly tipping is becoming a problem in our area especially along the road to Spey Bay and in the area near Dryburn Farm. The rubbish has included asbestos .	
Amend Minutes	John Wrights name has been missing from last months attendees list. He has attended every monthly meeting.	
Minutes Approved	Ratified by John Wright Seconded by Donald Cameron	
Moray Council Business	No Council business to report.	
4 Matters Arising		
425	The sign alerting the motoring public to the Seal area to the west of Portgordon will now be located on the land bought recently by the new owner of the Ice House.	
435	A defibrillator will be located in Portgordon on the wall at the Lampie Hoose. It is hope that we can get the Fochabarian to run an article on the exact location of all defibrillators in our area.	
439	Pointing of stonework at Dallachy Memorial.	
444	- Savills have carried out the repair and rebuilding but unfortunately the new fence has once again been washed down into the Tynet Burn. The recent heavy rain and frequent spates have seriously eroded the bank with some areas dropping 12-15 feet into the burn which could pose a danger to walkers. It is hoped that this can be re-examined by Savills and the area fenced off again!	
448	Community Council Elections – Notices are in the local press and widely distributed. Nomination forms widely available. This will be the last meeting of this council with several members stepping down. Fresh members will hopefully come forward.	
452	Keep Portgordon Real	
AOCB		
454	The discussion last year on the placing of bike racks in the square which was well supported, has not taken place so request to our new councillors to look into this. Information of the contacts dealing with it were passed on. Moray Council seem to have no details of the previous discussion on	

	the provision of bike racks at the square in Fochabers but will look into this.	
455	Request to Savills as to whether the new farm sign for Den Farm has been erected at the wrong farm road. It is at the bottom of the Bellie Churchyard hill where there has been problems in the past with large articulated agricultural machines either getting stuck or damaging the old wall (which has only recently been repaired) It was agreed that this road was not suitable for heavy goods vehicles and Smith Gore agreed a couple of years ago to upgrade the Den Farm road leading in from Roman Camp to be used by all heavy vehicles. This upgrade was carried out.	
456	Still disappointment at the Post Office provision in Fochabers. Also we have been made aware that the postbox outside the shop is very small and overflows around busy times such as Christmas (it is over 100 years old) and it is hoped that when the post office is relocated it is hoped that the new post box will be much larger!	
457	Portgordon Christmas Tree – confusion over who will provide the trees this year. Mrs Mo Burrows is happy to hand over the lights and all left over money she collected from her fundraising last year to Portgordon Planning For Real and allow them to take over the Christmas arrangements.	
458	The new signs at Spey Bay Hall warning of children in the area are now in place.	
459	A letter was read out from a member of the public concerned about the poor condition of the mosaics at the Tugnet Ice House, Spey Bay. There are weeds and moss growing around them and the supporting concrete has broken away as well the grass not being properly cut around the mosaics. We shall contact the Milnes High School and find out if they can put together a team to repair this perhaps as part of a community project. It was noted that Moray Council cut the grass area last week making a very poor job of the area around the mosaics and gouging an area of the bank. We have asked Councillor Bremner to report the poor standard of the grass cutting.	
460	Reported to LCC that a member of the public has been using his own personal speed gun in the Gordon Street area of Portgordon. He has been noting car number plates and their speed. This has been reported to the police as they do not want members of the public causing alarm to road users. It is a concern to public safety and in any case none of the recordings would be recognised by the police.	
461	Complaints about flooding at the Portgordin Bowling Green.	
462	Disappointment and anger at a new sign that has appeared on the foreshore behind Gordon Street in Portgordon warning – “Private Property. No Unauthorised Vehicles”	
463	Double corner at west end of Portgordon is very pot holed.	
464	Broadband problems still occurring at Tugnet – Not so much the speed but the connection is very inconsistent with it regularly cutting out – Councillor Bremner asked if he can once again bring this up at council.	
465	Can it be made clear that a discussion needs to take place if a	

	<p>member of the CC wishes to attend a meeting and requires expenses to be paid. Most members attend meetings and do not look to claim expenses but there can be occasions when confusion has arisen. Payment can only be claimed if it has previously been discussed at a meeting and agreed that LCC request them to attend. No payment can be claimed if the member chooses to attend the meeting independently.</p>	
Correspondance		
Planning Applications		
Next Meeting	<p>Will be arranged and attended by the new LCC committee. We wish them good luck and good meetings.</p>	