

PORTKNOCKIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD (ZOOM) TUES 9 FEBRUARY 2021

In attendance: Anne Anderson (Secretary - Minutes), Theresa Coull (Councillor), Shirley Firth (Secretary – Correspondence), Alexandra Forsyth, Donald Gatt (Councillor), John Going (Chair), Gladys McKenzie (Treasurer), Laura Powell (Councillor), Bert Reid, Jade Tindall, James Tindall, Lillian Urquhart

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attention |
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| 1 | Apologies:
Donna Coull; Kathleen Harper; Jane Martin | |
| | Following discussion, it was agreed that future apologies should be sent to portknockiecc@gmail.com | All |
| 2 | Police Update
No police presence. No update. | |
| 3 | Guest Presentation
No guest presentation | |
| 4 | Adoption of minutes of last meeting
January minutes were not available so circulation and adoption of same will be carried over to the March meeting. | JG/AA |
| 5 | Matters Arising
JG advised that the outstanding matter from the last meeting relating to the electrics at the Millennium Garden had now been resolved (see notes at item 7 below) | |
| 6 | Correspondence Received
No information was available on the listed topics. Discussion of same will be carried over to the March meeting agenda | JG |
| 7 | Treasurers Report
Account currently sits at £2,810.66, although a bill for £140 is awaited in relation to the work done by Sandy Cowie to waterproof the electrical box in the Millennium Garden. This relates to the wider exercise embarked upon to obtain a certificate of electrical compliance for the electrics in the garden following installation of the defibrillator. Outstanding tasks in this regard relate to the checking of the underground linking cables in the wider garden prior to the contractor issuing certification. JG advised that this will be carried out once the weather improves. | JG |
| 8 | Planning
None of the planning applications circulated related to Portknockie, None of the members had comment. | |
| 9 | Events
There are no events currently planned in the village, but BR advised that the date for the Cullen Sea School Harbour Gala has been provisionally agreed (Covid restrictions permitting) for the weekend of 24/25 July 2021 | |

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- 10 **Members Updates:**
GM raised the request made at the January meeting re: placement of additional bags of grit at the square and Church of Scotland. It was not known if this had been followed through. Cllr DG advised that he should be notified in the next 1-2 days if action is required to address this matter. All
The issue of topping-up of existing grit boxes was also discussed. JT advised that the box on Station Road has been topped up, and Cllr DG advised that, should any grit boxes be found to be empty, he should be notified in order to initiate action. All
- 11 **Elected Members**
Committee attendance updates were given by each Councillor and the following identified as the key issues arising from the local communities: road gritting and access to Covid vaccinations
- 12 **Community Feedback**
Clarification on the intended focus of this section to be provided at the next meeting. JG
- 13 **Joint Community Council of Moray**
Jane Martin would have updated on this had she been able to attend. SF agreed to attend this Thursday's JCCM meeting to represent PCC SF
- 14 **AOCB**
GM advised that clarification would be sought from Donna Coull as to whether there were any **monies remaining from recent grants**. GM
BR advised that **harbour repairs** would commence again in March
AF requested clarification on access to and placement of **dog fouling posters**. Cllr DG advised that these were supplied by the Community Support Unit and he would seek clarification as to whether these would be supplied or both supplied and put-up by the unit. Cllr DG
JG advised that John Pirie is interested in starting a **grass cutting group**. It was agreed that this was a good idea and that the PCA and PCC would work together to make this happen (JG also being chair of the PCA). In discussion with James T, JG will review mowers for purchase and use by this proposed group and bring recommendations to the March meeting. GM noted that there are funds in the PCC account that might be used for this purpose and JG advised that this was also the case with the PCA. JG noted that any such purchased mower could be stored in the enclosure at the Millennium Garden and should a rechargeable battery powered mower be selected, this could be recharged at that location. JG/JT
- 14 **Next meeting**
Monday 8th March at 7pm
JT to set up Zoom meeting ID and forward to JG/SF for circulation. JT