



## **Minute of Meeting of Cullen & Deskford Community Council**

**Date:** Tuesday, 16 February 2021

**Time:** 7.00 pm

**Venue:** Online meeting

**Members in attendance:**

Stewart Black (Chair)

Colin Burch

Steve Horrocks (Secretary)

Phil Lovegrove (Treasurer)

Stan Slater

**Associate Member:** Bruce Edelston

**Councillors:** Theresa Coull, Donald Gatt, Laura Powell

### **1 Opening of meeting**

The meeting was opened and all were thanked for their attendance. All present confirmed that they had no objection to the proceedings being recorded. The recording will be deleted once the minutes are finalised.

### **2. Outside Agency Presentation**

None

### **3. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising**

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Bruce and seconded by Stewart.

### **4. Councillors Reports**

Theresa said that she was still involved in budget work. Donald had been involved in work on various committees and would be doing so next week as well. All Councillors were appreciative of all those who helped to clear snow from roads throughout Moray. Laura advised that Moray Council (MC) has a list of farmers they can call on to help and they are paid for work done as opposed to being paid a retainer. It was noted that other farmers helped as well and their assistance was appreciated.

### **5. Correspondence**

An email dated 11 February regarding a perceived lack of gritting to roads within Cullen had been passed to Councillors for comment. Links to MC web pages regarding winter maintenance schedules were posted on Facebook.

CDCC had received an email from a group in the French town of Janville sur Juine who want to engage in a Twinning Scheme with Cullen. It was agreed



that the Three Kings Association is a more appropriate group and they would be replying to the email.

An email from Finnerne Community Council about rural broadband had been received. They were seeking support from other Community Councils in their attempts to improve rural broadband. It was agreed that Steve would send a reply supporting their endeavours.

Moray West Wind Farm had emailed to ask if they could attend our April meeting to hear a progress report. This was agreed.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Phil said the total in the Funding Account was £7810.68 of which £5341.36 was the Covid Fund. The Admin Account contained £376.81.

**7. AOCB**

**Lintmill Defibrillator**

Colin said he was waiting for a price for wiring from Andrew Murray. Until he received this, no funding bid could be made. He will progress this **Action:-CB**

**New Bins**

Stewart said that all 6 bins were now in position but he had some concerns about the bins at the links and harbour as they may have a mild steel stiffener inside. He would contact Moray Council (MC) about them. There had been much favourable comment on Facebook and elsewhere about the bins.

**Action:- SB**

**Benches and Tables**

Stewart has spoken to the Seafeld Estates and Alex Donn (Cullen Volunteer Group) about concrete to form bases for at benches and tables at Mediccy ley. Seafeld Estates have no objection but progress will depend on Government restrictions.

**Pancakes & Meal Assistance.**

Colin said that the pancakes delivered that morning to people who had previously been helped with meals had been much appreciated. He had received phone calls and emails thanking CDCC for organising this.

It was agreed to continue meantime with the meals for three people who were receiving 7 meals a week. The assistance given by the Cullen Bay Hotel and Buddy Bakes of Portsoy was greatly appreciated as was the contribution of the Rockpool who dealt with those they held contact details for. It was agreed to reimburse the Rockpool for containers.



#### **Zoom Licence**

CDCC has been using Bruce's Zoom licence for meetings but it was unanimously agreed that CDCC should pay £140 for their own licence.

#### **Moray Wellbeing Survey**

Colin confirmed that the survey forms will be delivered by post in the week beginning 1 March. Completed forms can be left at the Co-op, McKays or the Community Centre. An account has been opened with Royal Mail to facilitate this.

#### **Covid Testing in Cullen**

An opportunity to be tested for the virus will occur soon in Cullen. The following link will provide information about the date and time when known:-  
[http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\\_standard/page\\_133282.html](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_133282.html)

#### **Co-op Pop-up Shop**

Colin asked if the co-op might need assistance from volunteers possibly by helping with deliveries or with queues when the temporary pop-up shop is in use. He will contact the Co-op to find out. **Action:-CB**

#### **Flowers for Spring**

Stewart is waiting for information about prices before this can be dealt with.

#### **10. Date and time of next meeting**

Tuesday 16 March 2021 at 1900 hours.