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TARBAT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**Minutes of meeting held on 8 June 2016
In the Carnegie Hall Cafe, Portmahomack at 7:30 pm.**

Present: Billie Wood (Chair), Hamish Mackenzie (Vice Chair), Francis O'Connor, Muriel Vass (Minute Secretary), Jackie Thornhill, Cllr Fiona Robertson

In Attendance: Jock Munro, Neil Ross, William Vass, George Terry Steve Carroll

Apologies: Martin Dane (Treasurer), Helen Flemming, Cllr Alistair Rhind

1. Police Report: No Police presence at meeting.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 6 April 2016

Approved by Francis O'Connor, seconded by Hamish Mackenzie.

3. Matters Arising

1. Road Repairs: No signage has been erected at Rockfield (**Action: Cllr Robertson**)

2. Fountain: The County Archaeologist had made contact and advised that we should contact a conservation architect. Hamish Mackenzie has contacted Lachie Stewart and he has agreed to come and have a look at the fountain. No confirm date has been set. (**Action: Hamish Mackenzie**).

3. Access to Tarbat Primary School: Progress update will be requested from Allan Bryce prior to the next meeting. Still no response to this date. Cllr Robertson will take action on this and has also suggested that we should get in touch with Head teacher and see if school has a travel plan developed to enable them to apply for funding to safe roads programme. Jackie Thornhill has agreed to check with Gemma Stewart(Head Teacher)

It is understood that the 20 mph lights have been adjusted to include the nursery school times. This has now been confirmed. Action closed.

4. **Stand of trees behind the Carnegie Hall.** Nick Richard from Highland council conservation will come and have a look and offer advice on how to proceed . **(Action Cllr Robertson)**
5. **Old Cemetery wall.** This work has now been carried out. Action closed.
6. **Dog mess.** Posters from Tarbat Old Primary school have been submitted and winners selected. The prizes have been selected and will be given out out the school's end of term celebration on June 29. Billie Wood will do the presentation.
8. **Knockshortie play park.** The meeting was advised that a litter bin had been provided, however this was a frame containing a plastic bag and was unlikely to withstand the wind and seagulls at the play park. The bin is still standing and being emptied regularly.
9. **IMFLDP.** Tarbat Community Council's comments had been acknowledged and recorded on the consultaion website.

4. **Financial Report**

The Treasurer offered financial statements which had been audited in preparation for the AGM. The present balance £1930.10

Councillors Report

5. Cllr Fiona Robertson was present and has updated on the progress of the development of the new 3-18 campus. They are currently in proces of having another stakeholders meeting to discuss the project. The Tain Royal Academy has also changed its schooling hours to finish at noon times on fridays. The highland council have obtained another piece of equipment to help with the maintenance of roads repairs. Feb-Mar 2017 there will be a re-election of new councillors. There will also be a restructure of the council to happen around this time frame.
6. **AOCB**
 - The condition of the footpath at the first car park and linking to the second car park has been commented on by members of the public. The work on cleaning up of the footpath has commenced.**(Action: Billie Wood)**.
 - Muriel Vass also brought to attention to Cllr Robertson on getting a skatepark Installed. Cllr Robertson suggested forming a group to raise funds. Muriel to get in contact with Rob Parkes to come and have a look at where it could be placed

- Carnegie Hall committee confirmed there still haven't been any contract signed with regards to someone taking over the cafe but 2 interviews have taken place.
- Heritage Car Park needs an “No Overnight parking sign installed to prevent overnight parking occurring
- The verges need to be cut going up Seaview Hill en route to Rockfield. **(Action Cllr Robertson).**
- No Turnaround area in Rockfield. **(Action Cllr Robertson).**
- Cemetery paths need to be cleaned as overgrown with weeds which can cause potential slippery conditions.

The Meeting Closed at 9:20 pm

Next Meeting: Carnegie Hall 7.30pm Wednesday 3 August 2016.