

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF TAIN
MEETING HELD ON 24 JUNE 2019 AT 7.30 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER,
TAIN**

Present: Mr N Munro (Chair) Mr G Amos (Vice-Chair)
Mr A Mohan Mr D McAllister
Mr C Piper

In attendance: Mr Louden – Highland Councillor

1.	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – Mrs Mackenzie, and Mr Macrae
2.	COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR’S DECLARING AN INTEREST – Mr Mohan declared an interest in Mussel Fishery.
3.	POLICE REPORT
3.1	Mr Munro read out an email from Inspector Johnston re the crime statistics for the month, which were – vandalism – 3: drug offences: 5, disorder/assault: 6, domestic offences: 1, theft/theft by shoplifting: 3, road traffic offences 11.
4.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES
4.1	The notes of the meeting held on 27 May 2019 and 29 April were approved by Mr McAllister, and seconded by Mr Amos (which turned into Minutes when approved).
5.	MATTERS ARISING
5.1	Ref Glenmorangie Distillery. Mr Munro reported he was still to contact Glenmorangie Distillery re the proposed 40 Hectares of oysters – there is a concern on the expanding size of the project and the possible impact on the Mussels.
6.	YOUTH ISSUES – no report
7.	TAIN & DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT TRUST (TDDT)
7.1	Mr Munro read out an email from Mrs Mackenzie - Hub launch went well. TDDT have had a set back with the staffing however this is now getting sorted and we will be able to fully promote hub services. Please spread the word and remember this is an area that can be used by the Community for events and meetings. TDDT have completed funding applications into SSE and Investing in Communities to promote Tourism in the area and start up our youth enterprise academy that will be run from the Hub. There will also be a series of community development workshops for all community groups and businesses within Ward 7. TDDT will be holding open days in the Hub on 1st and 8th July. The Picture House Business Plan and Feasibility Study is near completion and we will be applying to two major funding streams in the next 6 months. Community Markets going from strength to strength, this year we had a market at the Fisherfolks Festival reaching out to other areas in the

	<p>district, this was well received. Community Awards will be taking place again in November. TDDT are currently putting our categories out again for sponsorship, is this something TCC could support. A note of interest has gone in for affordable housing at Tarlogie, business plan and Feasibility to be put together before progressing to stage two of application process.</p>
8.	HIGHLAND COUNCILLOR'S REPORT
8.1	<p>Mr Louden reported that HC capital programme is £25 million, this is matched equally by the Scottish Government. For the 3-18 campus, the proposed Craighill site will be assessed for suitability, if the report is approved by the Committee. There was a discussion on CGF assets and making money. The cost of repair to the Alexandra Bridge is £2,000 for parts, and £10,000 for fitting them. There is brown waste water to Knockbreck Primary School play area. It was agreed to write to the Chief Executive of HC about the gully cleaning machine not being very much in Tain. Mr Louden has been on briefings on climate emergency, Governance review, resources monitoring. Mr Louden attended the Playpark group meeting and they are in discussion with Albyn about what areas of land could be taken over for green spaces. The BMX track is being cleared up – Mr Ackroyd offered to assist with this. He has been to a workshop on Inner Moray Firth Plan.</p>
9.	COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY
9.1	<p>Mr Ackroyd spoke to the CC about the parking permits on Geanies Street. He is in contact with the traffic authority and they are looking at putting some residents parking bays if approved by Committee. A discussion ensued about problem parking in the Burgh, including putting a 7.5 ton lorry restriction.</p>
10.	CHAIR'S REPORT
10.1	<p>Mr Munro thanked Mr Munro for stepping into the Chair whilst he was away last month. Mr Munro to get into with Mr Macdonald from Glenmorangie Distillery for the next meeting to speak about the oysters.</p>
11.	VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT
11.1	<p>Mr Amos spoke about his damaged hand in that it brought to his attention the potential lack of medical cover in Tain. The repairing of the benches will have to wait. Re the stingy nettle path, and dog mess – Mrs Amos still to contact Mr Louden.</p>
12.	FINANCE AND TREASURER'S REPORT – no report
13.	LETTERS - none
14.	PLANNING MATTERS
14.1	<p>Erection of sun roof, 4 Winds, Aldi – noted. Replacement of door and windows – 16A Stafford Street – note. A discussion took place on Tain Conservation Area</p>

	and it was agreed to write to the Chief Executive asking for the plan for Tain and when it will be implemented.
15.	COMMON GOOD FUND – no report
16.	UNEXHAUSTED REMITS
16.1	<p>Trees and Green Environment – it was noted that the Woody Braes regrowth is going nicely. There are some dead trees at the Mansfield Estate and at the Railway Station – Mr Louden to follow up. There is a multi-coloured squirrel going in the Rose Garden for a trail by the Highland Hospice. The bins at the Court house are still unsightly. Beinn Tharsuinn Windfarm Community Company – it was noted that due to a mistake in the accounts there is a reconvened AGM soon. It was agreed that Mr Munro would be the rep on this Board. Cemeteries – it was noted that the railings have been painted, and the steps improved. The outside of the wall has not been worked on. Senior Citizen’s Party – it was suggested that the Academy could be approached to see if they were willing to provide dancers/Gizzen Biggs. Entertainment/beverages required. Mr Louden to discuss with Mr Rhind.</p>

THE MEETING ENDED AT 10.10 PM

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING IS MONDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2018