

FERINTOSH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 15 OCTOBER 2018 IN MULBUIE HALL

MEMBERS: Sally Falconer, Colin Lawrence (Treasurer), Iain McCallum, Roslind MacNaughton, Bruce Morrison (Secretary), Becky Richmond (Chair)

ALSO PRESENT: Cllr Gordon Adam, 4 residents

APOLOGIES: Cllr Craig Fraser

POLICE MATTERS: No report.

MATTERS ARISING: (excluding actions carried out, carried forward and those considered later in the agenda):

Public Toilets: Highland Comfort Scheme: Details of THC's scheme to be circulated to see if it is suitable for Culbokie's businesses; **THC Quality Award:** FCC has nominated both an individual and a team for consideration; **Community Partnership (CP) Meeting: Poor Access to services from the Black Isle:** Becky and two residents attended this useful meeting looking at poor transport provision and the concerns of older people. Black Isle Community Car Scheme (BICCS) gave a presentation explaining the increasing use of the service and looking to expand further by linking with organisations with under-used minibuses. Concern though is that it's mainly older people who are assisting even older people. Highland Senior Citizens Network (HSCN) also presented the results of their initial consultations. Residents on the north side of the BI are particularly exercised about poor transport and lack of knowledge and access to activities. Dial-a-bus is no longer available but the CP will look into that. Ideas being looked at include banking in schools and finding buddies for newcomers.

MINUTES: September's minutes were approved (proposed by Ros, seconded by Colin) and duly adopted.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Bruce: as a CCT Director, will take no part in discussions about the Glascairn development; Becky: as a close neighbour, will not take part in discussions about the development east of Dunbreck.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Colin reported on one transaction with a £40 contribution to CCT for a gate to the Teanagairn henge. Balance is now at £5,222. The History Group of CCT has written its thanks for the contribution and invites all residents to visit the Teanagairn Henge.

Winter resilience payments for grass cutting: Di Agnew reported no progress at the Ward Managers' meeting so Bruce will now make the case to THC Officers. FCC may also consider applying to the Ward Discretionary Fund.

CORRESPONDENCE and REQUESTS:

NHS Highland Consultation: More flexible ward visiting. Send out to the email list; **Ross and Cromarty Heritage Society:** Requesting a reciprocal link between websites but felt that they should approach CCT instead; **The Parliament Project:** Promoting a workshop entitled 'A Woman's Place is in Parliament' on Saturday 20 October, 10.30 to 12.30, Highland Council Chamber, Inverness; **Commemorative Armistice 100 Event:** The Convenor of THC and Inverness's Provost have offered two places to FCC at a special service at 3pm on Saturday 10th November at the Old High Church. Send out on email to seek resident nominations; **Commemorative Beach Event:** Fortrose & Rosemarkie CC is proposing a series of Black Isle beach events on 11th November.

Glascairn Development: CCT is seeking FCC's views on the proposals for a garden square and since FCC represents residents' views, residents are encouraged to go to www.culbokiect.org and look for

'Consultation on the Public Open Space at Glascairn' in order to provide views to CCT (**by Monday 22nd October**). FCC supports the overall concept and the proposed ideas are in keeping with previous consultation views. FCC may well be able to provide some small pockets of funding for future related projects and would welcome the opportunity to participate in future meetings to develop the design of the site.

Planning Act: A new act is being debated at the Scottish Parliament at the end of October with one key issue to be debated. Currently, following a council's decision, only the developer and not the community has the right of appeal. FCC will seek residents' views and lobby MSPs accordingly before this vital debate; **Noticeboard:** No residents have come forward to replace Carol as Editor. FCC to consider further actions; **Food Banks:** Fortrose & Rosemarkie CC has asked whether FCC would like to join in a Black Isle-wide approach to food banking but FCC has declined since existing Food Banks in the area are working well; **Choose Life:** Fortrose Academy is hosting a focus group about mental health in November with community councils invited. Becky is happy to attend; **Defibrillator Notices:** A resident reported seeing useful direction notices in other areas. Becky will follow up to improve signposting in our area.

Service Requests: Becky to follow up all outstanding requests. Speed sign still broken after a new transformer worked and then failed and THC is looking into either further repair or replacement.

ACTIVE PROJECTS:

Buses /Community Transport: Cllr Adam will chase again the absence of replies about the bus timings and the hard surface for the route to the bus; Bruce has an October meeting with the Culbokie Action Group planned.

Broadband: No update.

Crask Junction: Report from Ian MacGillivray (THC) that the intention now is to complete the junction by end of March 2019. The plan is to have the trees felled before the end of the year and then construction in early 2019. The earliest that road surfacing could be done (because of weather) would be in March. Ian has also met with residents to go through some fine detail in relation to their specific property.

LEADER: Extra meeting resolved to support the Cromarty Cinema. Meetings are now to be centralised to ensure all the money is to be spent.

Port of Cromarty Authority: 31st October meeting.

Email List Development: Two added and two left the area so same number at 421.

Black Isle Cares, Meals on Wheels: No update

PLANNING APPLICATIONS (only new information included):

Update on Objections lodged: New house SW of Feoran, Culbokie (17/03599/PIP: now granted but Crask junction must first be completed)

New Applications:

18/04082/PIP: Logie Farm Phase 1, Muir of Allangrange, Drynie Park: Development of 3 housing plots

18/04084/PIP: Logie Farm Phase 2, Muir of Allangrange, Drynie Park: Renovation of Logie Farm

18/04085/PIP: Logie Farm Phase 3, Muir of Allangrange, Drynie Park: Development of 10 glamping units. FCC will seek clarification about the connectedness of these three applications and the business case for the overall development. Meanwhile, residents at the meeting will provide their views to FCC in the next few days so that FCC can compile a reply by Friday 19 October.

18/04213/FUL: 9 The Cairns, Culbokie: Garage extension to create self-contained 2 floor unit: No comment

18/04446/CLE: Site 1, West of Milford, Alcaig: Seeking Certificate of Lawfulness for continuing development following approval in 11/03875/FUL: No comment

18/04557/FUL: Old Farmhouse, Meikle Findon: Extension to farmhouse plus 3 car garage: No comment

Previous Applications being monitored:

16/00595 /FUL: New House, East of Dunbreck, Culbokie: Reply still awaited from THC following FCC's letter about possible breach of a planning condition.

16/00248 /ENF: Builder's yard, Braefindon: Iain to press the case to clear the site and to keep residents informed. THC has informed FCC that an application is forthcoming.

Builder's rubble at Mount Eagle Court phase 2 site: Developer has sought pre-application discussions with THC. Resident would like to approach SEPA about the accumulation of rubble and requires SEPA contact.

Letter has been submitted by Becky on behalf of FCC to the planners to better understand how the necessary safety measures are to be implemented for the Eight Acres development. No response yet.

AOCB: None

INTERACTION WITH RESIDENTS: Road towards the A835 from Monument in bad condition; Near miss was reported by resident with a high speed vehicle at the Newmore junction. Discussion on how to again initiate project to install 40mph zone.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 19 November, 7pm, Ferintosh Hall

Contact details for comments; to join the email list; to receive minutes electronically:

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