

ABERFELDY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting

Snap Chat Discussion

Tuesday 7th July 2020 at 7.30pm

MINUTES DRAFT

Welcome

Victor Clements (Chair), Lorraine Reed (Vice- Chair), Jean Duff (Treasurer), Val Ferguson, Karen McKay, Jonathon Wilson (Explore Aberfeldy).

Apologies

Elaine Murdoch (Secretary), Norma Carr (Community warden)

Minutes of previous meeting

Taken as read, proposed by LR and seconded by JD.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

Crime Prevention and Community Safety

Police Scotland had forwarded a summary report. They had raided a house in Aberfeldy and retrieved items of interest in relation to a number of break- ins locally, including the caravan park.

Focus Topics:

Coronavirus- open discussion

People were generally happy with where things were at at the moment, but things are now about to open up, and that will bring challenges with it. We will certainly be moving in to a different phase. Feldy Roo were winding down their operations, with a number of people coming out of lockdown and able to source their meals in different ways. Feldy Roo will still operate if required, but at a lower level. It can react to any new situation that might evolve, but for now, furloughed workers are going back to work, so the initiative has to operate in a different way.

Opening up

Jonathon Wilson of Visit Aberfeldy explained how local business were preparing to unlock, and how they were largely positive about this. It is likely to be a challenging time, but there was a big demand for accommodation, and the expectation is that significant numbers of people will come to Highland Perthshire once they are allowed to do so. There are significant issues around pavements and the 2 metre rule, but it is possible that this will be changed before full opening up. The over riding feeling now of one of determination to get up and going again, and try to make something out of 2020.

The toilet blocj had now been opened up again.

Completing the Square

It looks like the contractors will be back on 28th July for 3 weeks to finish the works in the square. This will involve one week to tidy up bits of snagging around the square, and two weeks to deal

with the pavement beside the Breadalbane hotel. There was a strong feeling from ASBA that they would rather get the work out of the way quickly so that businesses can take full advantage of any pick-up in visitor numbers later in the summer and autumn.

Griffin Community Benefit Panel

Micro grants

No micro- grant applications.

Main Fund

Fund was receiving applications, but not that many to date in relation to COVID.

CC Chairs had agreed new memo & Arts for Endowment Fund, and Panel had agreed that J & H Mitchell could review this and make a recommendation on it. We should then be in a position to take forwards the endowment fund.

Reports

Chair

The community page was up again and had two additional moderators.

VC to put post on Community page in relation to BT proposing to take payphone away. CC would then take a view on whether it should be retained or not. Closing date for submission of views is 13th September, so can discuss at August CC meeting.

Secretary

No report

Treasurer

VC to write to Chemists re people passing on the pavement outside, and if there were any better ways to organize their queue, especially in relation to the difficulties there appeared to be for older people safely passing the queue.

Planning

Cemetery Proposals

This proposal had been submitted to PKC, but had not yet been validated and not yet on website. VC to circulate link once it appears, extend deadline for comments if required. Alternatively, CC can arrange a meeting to discuss.

Drumcroy Lodges

CC voted to unanimously support this application. VC to write to Development Management in support.

AOCB

VC to write to Feldy Roo thanking them for all their efforts and how the town appreciated all that they had done.

Date of Next Meeting Tues 4th August 2020.