Chairman's Report

AGM 2021

The past year has been dominated by the pandemic again, but Aberfeldy has been a good place to be, people have adjusted well, and while we have to wear masks and sanitize hands and get ourselves tested, we have got in to a new routine that seems to work OK for much of the time. The vaccinations have transformed things for people, and we are thankful for that. Of course, there have been times when businesses have been closed, and the school disrupted, and even now when things are opened up again, we know that some people are struggling to recruit, and COVID contacts can close down a business at short notice for a period of time. Aberfeldy has been busy for much of the spring and summer. COVID cases here have generally been very low.

Beyond this, CC members have been involved with our usual list of various functions. Lorraine has been our main contact with the Griffin/ Calliacher Fund, Pat Spicer has continued to co-ordinate initiatives through the road safety group, including the 20 mph trial which seems to have had a positive effect in slowing traffic speed within the town, albeit by a modest amount. Community Warden Norma Carr has continued her good work in investigating and being first point of contact for many issues within the town.

Looking forwards, a wider range of issues appear to be looming. There is a need to look at housing in Aberfeldy. We need to investigate provision for a new graveyard. PKC are consulting on toilet provision. The Aberfeldy Sports Club have ambitious plans for a shared pavilion in the town. Mary MacDougall is helping us develop a No Mow / No Spray initiative. These are all big things, and we will have to make sure that they all go forwards.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped us and contributed to our meetings over the past year or so, all of which have been held by Zoom. Hopefully, we can get back to proper meetings in the town hall in 2022. If you are interested in joining the community council, please do get in touch.

Victor Clements

12th October 2021

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