

Lumphanan Community Council Minutes of Meeting on 5th December 2017

Meetings held monthly on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 1930 in the kitchen of the Village Hall

		Assigned Initials
1	<u>Welcome</u>	
	Present: Paul Gibb (PG), Tom Clark (TC), Linda Gray (LG), Kenny Bain (KB), Steve McLean (SM), Jane Jeffries (JJ)	
	Public: N/A	
2	Apologies: Ron Bruce (RB), Vivienne Sugden (VS), Gerd Ubelhor (GU), Geva Blackett (GB)	
	Absent: N/A	
3	Conformation Adoption of Minutes of the Last Meeting	
	Minutes: The previous minutes were accepted as proof.	
	Proposed – TC	
	Seconded - SM	
4	<u>Reports</u>	
4.1	Finance	
	No change from before £2180.80	
	Quote for 4 new Christmas lights £1305.12	
	Planning Consultation Meeting A meeting was held at the Lumphanan Golf Course Club House on the evening of 14th November. The Community Council had thought that it was going to be training on how to use the new Place Standards consultation tool, and invited various members of local organisations to attend. The Golf Club, LCRA, LPIC, LLC, and the Heritage Society were all represented. As it turned out, it was an actual official consultation, using the tool, so rather more of a demonstration! Much valuable background information was exchanged in both directions. This was the first time that our community has actually been consulted directly at an early stage of planning, about our wishes regarding setting land aside for business use, housing etc, and this new way of doing things was seen as a great improvement. file:///C:/Users/grayc/OneDrive/Documents/LCC/Planning %20Consultation%20Report%20from%20Council%20Reps.html?	
	view=nocookies	
	Understanding Social Enterprises by Highland Enterprise Academy Understanding Social Enterprises: more detailed information will be given after the 18th January, when the 2nd day of the course is scheduled to occur. In essence, this is a course on how to use various business models - from charity shops staffed by volunteers at one end of	



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5 5.1	the spectrum, to commercial companies employing paid staff to deliver services at the other extreme - to provide funding and/or resources to communities. A local example is Ballater's purchase of the local caravan site in order to run it as a business which helps to fund community projects. Weekly List of Planning Applications APP/2017/2971	
	Mains of Auchlossan – Planning for a sewage pit.	
	APP/2017/2983 Full planning for private use riding arena.	
5.2	Other Items Discussed the possible danger of tall fence on Main Rd PG to raise concerns.	PG
	Flats behind Desswood – parking to cease in the access entrance as the site was secured on the week beginning 11 th December 2017.	
	Public Toilet Block – an offer for the land was made but hasn't been followed up. PG to find out how much the land costs.	PG
6	New Items	
6.1	Defibrillator Pads Discussed the replacement of the defibrillator pads through fundraising and/or funding from the LCC. KB to enquire about training for all groups in the village.	КВ
6.2	Proposed Meetings a. Difficult Conversation b. Social Enterprise c. Police Information Working Group	
7	Open Actions	
7.1	Minutes/Secretary Update	
	Clara Gray to resign as minutes secretary in the new year.	LG
	LG to make recruitment posters for a minutes secretary.	
7.2	Dog Poo Campaign Discusses correspondence regarding a student who fell in dog poo during school hours. Initiatives discussed to reduce the amount of dog poo left around the village: - Keep Britain Tidy Kit	
	- Dog Fouling Toolkit	



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Both decrease dog poos in communities. LG to find out if we can get photo luminescent posters. LG LG to research Visit Aberdeenshire and the Dog Warden LG Discussed prices for poo bag dispensers PG to ask Janelle Clark about permission to stick posters on lampposts. PG Discussed closing the park to dogs altogether. Possibility of an open meeting for dog poo and Invite Janelle Clark and Kirsty McLeod to the next meeting (9th Jan 2018). **Purchase of Land Behind Desswood** 7.3 As part of our Community Action Plan enquire if there is any interest in the community for allotments here. **Contact List for LCC Members** 7.4 All agreed we need an email address for the LCC, KB to look into this. KΒ **Website Update** 7.5 N/A **Traffic Survey** 7.6 Police will do a traffic survey on Perkhill Road **Pole Crossroads Update** 7.7 Case 410225 I have contacted Derek Murray to ask for him to provide an update on Derek advised: I can confirm that this enquiry was received from a community councillor and logged on 27/07/17. It was investigated at the time by a Roads officer and, despite the concerns raised, we were of the view that the visibility at the junction was good and not hindered in any way by broom or long grass. However, on the side road leading from Lumphanan (some distance back from the junction) broom was found to be encroaching onto the narrow road verge and, although non urgent, this has been added to the list of sites requiring vegetation cutting, as and when resources and priorities permit. **Public Toilets** It was advised that the toilet block would be demolished a year ago. I 7.8 have contacted Andrew Meechan. I have asked he provide an update and added it was suspected by the members of the CC that he [Andrew] might have been waiting for the outcome of recent, neighbouring planning applications before deciding how/when to act.

Andrew advised that Ayodeji Lawal is now responsible: We (Cleaning Services) have declared this one surplus and it now sits with Estates for



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disposal. Ayo should be able to advise on current progress. I followed up with Ayo. Can you advise when this asset might be sold? How long might this sit awaiting a sale, and if it proves to be an unattractive asset and no buyers are found what happens? The Community Council are concerned about youths loitering and folk still trying to use the facilities.

Ayo responded: the said toilet is on our first tranche demolition list which is currently been progressed by Facilities Management. It is the intention of Estates to list the asset on the market once the building has been demolished. However, they were recently approached by Langstane Housing Association who are promoting the housing development nearby to acquire it. We have made them a proposal and awaiting their response. I asked, "when you say recently approached by Langstane, how recent was that, was it before the 10th October or after the 10th?"

Ayo responded: Langstane first enquired about the status of the toilet in April 2017 but it was not until 9th October that they put forward a proposal to acquire it from the Council. We promptly responded with a counter-proposal on 13th October and now await a response.

I have asked Ayo for an update, he advises he has heard nothing as of the 4th December.

7.9 X-mas Lights

Proposed match funding to get double the amount of lights next year (2018)

SM to speak to Linda or Lynne Morrison to get conformation to pay for 2017 lights.

8 <u>Correspondence/Communications</u>

N/A

9 AOCB

N/A

Date of Next Meeting

9th January 2018