

UDNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of meeting held on 21st March 2019 at Udney Primary School

Present: Garth Entwistle (Chair)
George Duncan
Rob Henderson
Colin Duncan (Secretary)
Matt Kave
Paul Bailey

Also Present: Cllr Paul Johnston, Cllr Andrew Hassan

Chair: Garth Entwistle

Scottish Police Report PC Emma Chalmers A8008 sent her apologies, meeting coincides with her Rest Days. No report, no attendance from on shift officer.

Apologies: George Bruce,

Minutes: Minutes from February 2019 meeting Approved. Proposed by Garth Entwistle, seconded by Rob Henderson. Copy forwarded to Aberdeenshire council.

Declaration of Member's Interest None Declared

New Items **PAS report. 'Main Issues report' required before deadline of 8th April**
Garth intends to create a Draft document this coming weekend thereafter arrange a further joint meeting with UCT to review / agree final submission.

Community Council Networking Event 28th September.

Topic suggestions to be submitted by 30th April. Colin shall prepare a draught document and circulate to member for consensus prior to submitting.

Community Participation event...Community Empowerment Act 2015

Garth provided update on the event of 9th March. Event was informative, requested by Mearns and Stonehaven community councils. Mearns Community Council and Stonehaven Community Council stated: "the outcome that several Community Councils would like considered is increased Community Empowerment and improved and equitable participation in decision making around participatory budgeting policy." A number of workshops occurred during the event which Garth indicated were informative. Subject matter was mostly related to Budgetary policy on Government Spend which requires a deeper understanding by UCC.

Outcome Improvement Process as defined by s28 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 will commence following the workshop.

Update of item
from previous
week.

Road Safety Issues	Tarves and Methlick community councils raised the speed issue with their area member at UCC request due to likelihood of these communities using the B999 regularly.
Udny Green Memorial Hall	Issues of ‘ownership’ of areas related to Udny Green Hall. Ownership dispute being resolved.
Udny Green	Following the January CC meeting where car parking was highlighted as a major issue, the CC has met as a sub-committee to discuss this matter, conducted a site visit to review options and met with Ian Daniels the “Principle Roads Engineer – Formartine” of Aberdeenshire Council also arranging a site meeting to highlight what was possible. Cllr Hassan had discussed the issue with Andy Scott of Police Scotland who responded with “I will ensure this is looked at over the coming weeks as part of local patrols.
Pitmedden	Nothing to report
Community Turbine	Continues to generate income
Community Trust	Colin to arrange / Agree ongoing joint meeting schedule with UCT. Main Issues report to be reviewed with UCT prior to deadline submission date of 5pm, 8 th April 2019.
Amenities Trust	(PAT) Garth shall be passing on the chair to Paul Johnston. Finances are in the process of resolution. PAT treasurer to be appointed, Seeking volunteers as Treasurer.
Paths Project	Map preparation of the paths around Udny is in process. Paths Group shall seek volunteer for membership to The Aberdeenshire Outdoor Access Forum (ALOAF). ALOAF is established by statute under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003.
Speed Indicator Signs	A further review of ‘Speed Indicator Signs’ required after previous proposals were rejected. A subcommittee shall be formed to review and propose a further plan to Aberdeenshire roads. Secretary has contacted Police Scotland requesting vehicle accident records, time and location under Freedom of Information. Awaiting response.
Udny website	Paul Johnston to submit request to provider allowing closure of this item.

Finance... Internet banking.	Internet banking now functional. Recent request for settlement for Environmental groups Driving courses requires submission of Invoice(s) allowing correct recording of accounts.
Pitmedden Street lighting	Keith Melvin of Aberdeenshire Street lighting dept. has advised of a delay in providing the 'Night time survey' due to temporary staff shortage. UCC requested information on possible impact on survey with the onset of Summer time. Received assurance that survey would be conducted on a full cloud cover late night exercise.
Hattoncrook Defibrillators Situation	The Defibrillator is now with George Duncan, George shall engage with the locations property owner to arrange the electrical connection.
Planning applications	<p>Ground works underway at Coulliehare cottages reported by a resident has been reviewed by Planning department. At this time no breach has occurred. Advised to monitor and contact Planning again should conditions change.</p> <p>Cairnfechel APP/2019/0303 & 0308 raised as a concern due to possible involvement of Heavy vehicles on a road network which does not support such. Colin shall submit an Objection to the Planning department.</p>
Notable items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UCC Insurance renewal confirmed (inclusive of Defibrillator theft or damage cover) with Invoicing direct to Aberdeenshire Council. - Police Survey posted on Udney.Online, closed 18th March - Fireworks Consultation posted on Udney.Online. Closes 13th May 2019. - Resident email regarding a perception that the Local garage is using the Aberdeenshire Council car park at the South end of the village restricting available parking for scheduled events at the Church and for Parent parking collecting children from the School. A difficult matter to resolve as currently there is no direct evidence of the garage using the carpark. Colin to respond to complainant requesting any evidence of the alleged activity.
AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community Resilience Group. Carried over from previous meeting. Brief discussion on the possible need for a local Resilience Group due to occasional flooding of the Bronie Burn. While there was a general feeling that there may be benefit, the challenge of securing volunteers and risks associated, it was decided to continue with the current Flood Alarm system provided through Aberdeenshire council - Failing of Bear Scotland / Aberdeenshire Roads to advise of diversions in place, directing all traffic through Pitmedden, due to overnight roadworks on A90. Advised that notification came through late and not all contacted.

- It was noted that concerns / issues over 290 / 291 bus service should be submitted through the Facebook page which Aberdeenshire Council monitor. As a heavily subsidised route the level and quality of service should reflect this. Perceived failure, issues and concerns should be submitted. Link to Facebook page to be posted on Udney.online web site.
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Next Meeting *April 18th 2019 at 7:30. Pitmedden Primary School.*

