

# UDNY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

**Meeting Minute of:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October - 2020.

**Location:** Web Video (TEAMS) link Preceding AGM \_\_ **Minute by:** Colin Duncan

## **Community Council Member Attendees:**

<u>Paul Bailey</u> (Chair)	<u>George Duncan</u>
<u>Colin Duncan</u> (Secretary)	<u>Garth Entwistle</u>
<u>Matt Kaye</u> (Treasurer)	<u>Claire Woodward</u>
<u>Rebecca Heidenreich</u>	

## **Aberdeenshire Council Members:**

Cllr Andrew Hassan Cllr Jim Gifford

**Members of Public:** Sandra Nichol; Jim Urquhart.

*Note: meeting commenced on conclusion of annual AGM's 7pm schedule.*

**Police report:** No police report. Councillors had been in discussion with Formartine Constabulary regarding regular Police reports. *Paul Bailey shall contact Police requesting Police Report for our November meeting date.*

**Apologies:** Cllr Paul Johnston

**Approval of previous minute:** September 16th 2020 meeting minute acceptance proposed by Paul Bailey seconded by Matt Kaye.

**Declaration of Member Interest:** Cllr Jim Gifford in relation to Rainnieshill Quarry.

## **New Items:**

- 1. Rainnieshill – JKR Quarry, Public** consultation notice. UCC members acknowledged that previous consultation of October 2019 had representation from residents of the Rainnieshill area. Member of Public, Jim Urquhart was granted permission to address council members. Jim indicated that the current information did not contain much in the way of change from 2019 presentation. Colin Duncan advised that he had made contact with JKR's consultant Tom Lewis. Tom confirmed that current position being JKR are awaiting Planning Documentation currently in preparation by Fairhurst. That JKR shall require all permits related to current legislated Dust management / pollution prevention and control. The intention being to circulated Pre Consultation documentation in advance of the scheduled November 25<sup>th</sup> / 26<sup>th</sup> Public consultation. UCC members deferred further discussion pending receipt of consultation documentation.
- 2. PUT / UCTC / UCC – Village Floral Display / Finance.** Colin Duncan presented the proposed arrangement for UCC to represent PUT in completion of Application for grant through UCTC. Basis of arrangement being, 3 year agreement of annual grant from UCTC, Application form created by UCC on behalf of PUT on condition of a *formal note of agreement from PUT confirming UCC to act as their agent in preparation of grant request.* A Sub account be created and maintained by PUT

and available for presentation of staged expenditure. *Colin D to enquire as to Plant Plug supply to Udney Green also progress the project.*

- 3. UCC membership structure.** A proposal for the formation of members to be principal owners of specific focus areas supported by the full membership. Proposed and accepted areas of focus were: Traffic – speed control / calming measure through Udney settlements. Garth Entwistle and George Duncan agreed to take a lead on these matters. Consideration of the current Scottish Borders 20mph scheme. Environmental / Climate change. Proposal to work in conjunction with UCA group in the development and action plans related to Udney. Rebecca Heidenhein and Claire Woodward shall lead the UCC engagement.

A proposal to include Environmental matters in Monthly meeting agenda was agreed. *Colin Duncan shall add this item to future agendas.*

#### **Update from previous meeting**

- 4. UCC Facebook page** ... Udney CC. we have an active Facebook page thanks to Claire Woodward. Further development is required but as of now the site can be accessed, photos, posts etc. can be viewed. Matt Kaye accessed the Udney CC location under direction from Claire while online in our meeting.
- 5. MTS report. / Re-determination order.** Brief discussion regarding MTS report content and Re-determination Order status. Intimated that at this time the Re-determination order had not been issued, procedure shall likely engage Formartine Area Committee for consideration. It was agreed that UCC must progress with determining the public feeling to the alternative solution presented in the MTS report. To this Garth has provided a document outlining the situation, requesting response through a Survey created on the UDNY.ONLINE website, with the option to deliver a response to Colin Duncan directly or by email to [colinuccsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:colinuccsecretary@gmail.com) . *Document requires attachment of map prior to release for printing, Matt Kaye has been asked to action this. Once master document has been finalised the McIntyre's to be approached for printing. Paul Bailey shall action this. When delivery date has been established Colin Duncan shall activate the online Survey in UDNY.ONLINE.*

Comment made regarding the 'missing' document related to the closure of Ingleside established that the sole remaining officer involved in the relevant planning 98/0660/01 is the current Head of Finance, Alan Wood. It was agreed that contact should be made enquiring of possible recall of the determination and any documents presented / viewed related to the Closure which concluded in 2002. *Action: Colin Duncan*

- 6. Aberdeenshire Roads Policy Review.** Colin Duncan advised he had responded on behalf of UCC as well as a personal response. Colin intimated that his opinion of the policy was that focus was on Travel time with little to indicate that road safety has priority. Many elements of the policy appears to be inhibitive in qualification requirements related to such as, Interactive speed control signage, application of buffer zones,

Traffic calming measures such as road texture, road markings, signed speed reduction (20mph) zones in villages (town centres to be focus of 20mph areas) Rural communities on A and B roads have been determined as Strategic as such do not qualify for 20mph limits. Much of the Aberdeenshire policy is aligned with the Scottish Roads Policy documents.

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*spaces\_for\_people\_20mph\_trial\_given\_go\_ahead. Discussion over the success of Borders communities in achieving a trial of extensive 20mph and trunk road limits of 40mph. A proposal to seek Council officers of various towns and villages involved, contacting them directly requesting information on the process followed. Colin Duncan shall seek officer contact details then approach each seeking information. Also indicated he shall pursue the subject further, as time permits, searching through Scot.Gov policy / acts in an attempt to determine options that our settlements may use as justification for Speed Calming measures within our communities.*

7. **Planning Applications**. Rainnieshill. JKR pre application notice of Quarry work application. Previous and ongoing dialogue noted in minute.
8. **Pre-Application Consultation Changes@gov.scot**. Link: [consultation paper](#) (copies filed in Teams Channel). **Information about the planning reform programme and the 2019 Act is available at:** [www.transformingplanning.scot/planning-reform/](http://www.transformingplanning.scot/planning-reform/) . At time of meeting none of the members had managed to review the information. Due to the approaching deadline Colin Duncan indicated he would review the documents, consider key points of consideration and create discussion topic document. A short sub group meeting shall be arranged to finalise the response on behalf of the UCC prior to the deadline of November 6<sup>th</sup> 2020.

**Notable Items sent by e-mail**

9. **Aberdeenshire Community Councils - Improvement Service - ScottishTech Army - Pilot Digital Training**. Survey released to establish volume of Introductory / Intermediate needs / Preferred time of sessions etc. Survey completed by Colin D. Further communication expected providing more details of training.
- 9 **North East 400kV OHL Upgrade - Virtual Consultation** Upgrade of Overhead lines from 275kV to 400kV. Virtual events.  
Details on <https://www.ssen-transmission.co.uk/projects/north-east-400kv/>

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- 10 Colin Duncan raised the following: Current UCC logo is that of what appears to be the 'Castle'. It has been little used and is a bit dated. I would like to have a new and 'eye catching ' logo created for use as Letterhead in all UCC related correspondence, Agendas, Minutes etc. *Rebecca and Claire shall contact schools with proposal for pupils to present their ideas and artwork. All others are invited to participate. A small token of recognition shall be presented to the finalist.*

- 11** Colin Duncan advised of the value of the Community Council ALDO modules and encouraged all members to request access, complete the modules, sharing their thoughts / comments at each monthly meeting. Members to provide name, email address and password to Colin D who shall forward to Council officer to action.
- 12** Colin Duncan advised that the November agenda shall include a 'Review of CC meetings' where members are encouraged to share their thoughts and comment on the positive and negative elements of UCC meetings to date.
- 13** With the time elapsed since the retiral of long standing member George Logie it was requested that a small number of UCC members gather at socially distanced intervals to conduct a 'door step' presentation of our token of appreciation. Matt Kaye, Colin Duncan and Garth Entwistle agreed to accommodate the presentation. *Matt Kaye shall contact George to establish a suitable time.*

**Next meeting shall be Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**  
**Usual virtual meeting via Teams.**