

Fintray Community Council
Hatton of Fintray Village Hall
Tuesday 1st October 2019

Roddy welcomed everyone and thanked Sandy and Simon for the minutes from the last meeting.

Present: Rod MacInnes (Chair), Jeanette Smart (Secretary) Katherine Gerrard (Sec. support), Richard Taylor (Treasurer), Ilene Fyfe, Sandy Fyfe, Simon Glazier, Mel Roberts, Gina Ford, Councillor Martin Ford

Apologies: Ian Thomson, Councillor Lonchay, Councillor Hood and Councillor Reid

Declaration of Interest

No business

Minutes of Last Meeting

BAM, claimant has found it very tricky to get anywhere with that but there is no final outcome or feedback as yet.

Minutes Proposed by Mel Roberts and seconded by Gina Ford

Matters Arising

Roddy will contact the claimant and will ask for her feedback to be shared at the next Community Council meeting

Police Report

No Police report or presence at yet. Roddy will email the new officer to ask for report for next meeting. There were no concerns raised.

Treasurers Report

The balance is £2602.84

£867.82 received from Aberdeenshire Council

Roddy enquired what has happened in the past with the money. Gina said some flood resilience equipment was purchased. The committee also shared the cost of the notice boards with the Hall Committee.

Roddy asked if there was anything to work towards going forward. Gina felt that the flood resilience was a good investment. Martin said the money is to run the community council, and is aware there

is very little cost is involved in running. Items like resilience kits, benches, grants for other groups have been purchased with the grants in other communities.

Ilene suggested the Christmas Tree could come from the Community Council this year and Jeanette said the Hall Committee also paid for the updated Defibrillator.

Mel questioned if local community groups were aware there is some funding available. It was suggested that those here could speak to those who may require it and they could investigate various places where funding may be available. She suggested that it is up to the community to come to the Community Council with any requests for funding and this could be a stepping stone to assist them.

Ilene asked how people would go about requesting funding, for example the Christmas Tre. The committee has agreed, in principle to fund the Fintray Christmas Tree, this will be an agenda item for the next meeting. The payment will have to be organised through the treasurer.

Planning Applications

None

LDP

Met on 3rd September. Went through all the areas and sites and made suggestions about what could be changed. Fintray – all the sites which has not been favoured in the past were not discusses.

Hatton Court: the planners proposed cutting the site in half and having 16 houses. By putting the density up in the plan it is less likely that the numbers will increase during building. As it is putting in the plan that what was likely to happen anyway.

Mel asked if this meant the other half is 'pending' – Martin said that yes as that is always the case with every field in Aberdeenshire.

Future planning sites have now been removed and a bid could be made for the other half of the site. The size of the site now allocated will have a new boundary.

Greenbelt Policy is not being reviewed currently; this will be reviewed in the future. Martin has asked for greenbelt to be put between Kintore and Inverurie but cannot anticipate what this will mean going forward.

The process now is that the changes will come to the November full council meeting. The plan must be agreed before the current plan is finished or the council is left plan less which would mean people could build anywhere.

The proposed development plan will be available to view in November, after the vote of the full council – it is the plan that the full council has agreed should be the new LDP.

Comments and objections can be raised with the council early next year.

There was a general discussion about the developers obligation.

Developer Obligations

Area 12 councillors agreed that the developer obligation from the Bogriffie Development was to be used for play equipment. There is some confusion over the amount; it is thought to be £2070. This will be used in Fintray. This will go ahead without any input from the Community Council.

Training Opportunities

Ian went to an induction event in September and he has the paperwork for that meeting. This has been made available to everyone; any questions can be added to the next agenda. There was training for planning this evening but there is more training on this in Fraserburgh on 30th October. If dates for more local training comes in before that date Roddy will contact anyone who expresses interest. Jeanette highlighted that there is a lot of training available on ALDO.

Correspondence

Licencing Training will be held on 27th November 10-11 at Woodhill House. Katherine will book a place to represent the Fintray Community.

Light Touch Review – update on the review, a full report will go the full council meeting in November. This is the scheme for the establishment for the Community Council. Fintray Community Council did not contribute to this as it was so newly formed and is a small community.

Aberdeenshire Councillor's Update

Martin advised that apart from the plan, the budget process for next year is about to be embarked upon. There is a budget simulator on the website. At the moment the council is unclear about what the budget will look like. Recycling rate went down last year. A new waste system is coming into place. Aberdeenshire have a 46% recycling rate, which is way below where they want to be.

Roddy asked for an update on the school house. It is going back on the market now that the water supply has been split.

Concerns have been raised through the School Association about the speed of traffic going through the village. There will be raised platforms put on the road outside the school to counter this. It is unclear when this will take place as Kintore School also requires this. There is not enough in the budget this year for both to happen.

Date of Next Meeting

The Police Scotland Road Policing Department are looking to have a forum on 3rd December and we have been asked to move the meeting to Wednesday 4th December to allow for members to attend the forum. The idea of the forum is how to tackle speeding.

Provisional Date has been proposed as Wednesday 4th December in the hall. This will be confirmed ASAP.