

Fortrose and Rosemarkie Community Council



Interim Meeting – Minutes

Wednesday 12th August 2020 - 7pm via Zoom

1. Welcome and Apologies

Present: Anne Phillips (AP), Lucy Tonkin (LT), Susan Pringle (SP), Leanne Mackenzie (LM)

Apologies: Trish Wilson (TW)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Approved

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Meeting format

Highlife Highland is closed until further notice, no current update on proposed opening.
AP to look at open air facilities.

3.2 Planning Permission

No updates on planning permission for IV10. AP to contact Highland Council to understand status.

3.3 Newsletter

Not discussed this month - no update

3.4 PPE Requirements

TW still discussing with Fortrose Academy, they are aware we will be donating £200 of PPE. AP noted there are single use masks on Amazon. Avoch PS do not have to wear masks but require hand sanitiser for pupils. We are going to investigate what we can donate.

4. Correspondence and points from the public

4.1 Public bin collection

Voluntary litter picking every day. HC have an additional collection date for the public bins due to rising number of visitors. Pressure on waste management is not a new issue but has intensified this year.

4.2 Traffic congestion

It is noted that there is a local traffic order in place. There have been complaints of cyclists using public footpaths and pavements in the area which is prohibited.

The speed of traffic on Ness Road is concerning and it was suggested that a crossing could be used for traffic calming. There is also a suggestion that the 20s plenty campaign may be necessary, to be discussed at the next meeting.

4.3 New members

Following recent resignations, there are 3 vacant positions within the CC. AP noted she has had dialogue with two prospective members and has sent them the HC CC website link. To be discussed further at the next meeting.

5. Treasurers Report

Signatories have not yet been changed, must be actioned by Ian. Finances will be reviewed to determine available monies.

6. Police Report

AP emailed John Murphy about traffic issues.

We received a letter which contained a survey regarding Highland suicide prevention, this was filled out by present members. The main issues discussed were the lack of resources and access to health services, which is apparent in many rural towns and villages.

7. Planning

No new applications on the HC website

8. Licensing

No matters to discuss

9. Common Good

This is an ongoing item and there is yet to be publication of any further details relating to the updated lease. LM to submit a FoI request to HC as this is Common Good fund land, there is a case that this information should be public.

10. Community issues

Covered under point 4

11. Black Isle Community Meetings

Next meeting is in two weeks' time, AP to advise CC on updates.

AOCB

The Cathedral gates are to be left open due to the keyholder retiring. There are still discussions underway regarding planting wildflower seeds in the grounds.

Date of next meeting: 9th September at 7pm. AP may not be here and she has asked LT to chair.