Fortrose and Rosemarkie Community Council



Meeting Wednesday 3rd April 2023 7pm by zoom Minutes

Item		Action by
	Present: A Phillips AP, D Guthrie DG, L Tonkin LT, B	
	Latimer BL, A Jefferson AJ,	
	Highland Council :L Johnston LJ	
	Members of the public	
1	Welcome and Apologies	
	Apologies: J Pugh JP, G Davies GD	
	Highland Council : S Atkin SA	
2	Minutes of the last Meeting	
	Two corrections from JA 10.6 date 18 th March AOB	
	expect changed to request.	
	Proposed A Jefferson Seconded D Guthrie Agreed.	
3	Matters Arising	
	AJ asked LJ if a meeting had taken place with Fire and	
	Rescue Service re Recruitment training. LJ to follow up	
	but pointed out that policies are national therefore it	
	may not be possible to reduce the length of the	
	training time. Follow up	LJ
4	Points from the Public	
4.1	CAT application from Raddery House Ltd is now on the	

	Highland Council (THC) website. Link to go on our	
	facebook page, decision will be made above BIAC. CC	
	concerned That there has been little consultation and	
	CC not asked as a consultee. CC has received an	
	extensive comment from a member of the public.	
	Post Link	AP
	Mill Cottage CAT – RAA still waiting for information.	
	LJ said that there had been no CAT staff for some time	
	to deal with requests. Contact G Mackenzie THC	AP
4.2	Memorial Benches	
	AP has asked to discuss a standard response from	
	THC to ensure a consistent approach. Follow up	AP
4.3	Railway Path between Fortrose and Avoch	
	We have received a query about maintenance. There	
	were plans to apply to Sustrans for surfacing. Safe	
	routes to school need to be initiated by schools.	
	AP to liaise with A&KCC	AP
4.4	Rosemarkie church chimes.	
	DG has been unable to contact Session Clerk.	
	Follow up	DG
4.5	Coronation Celebrations	
	Rosemarkie picnic in the PARK, Fortrose LT to check	
	with Brownies. Follow up	LT
	Seniors' Lunch to be afternoon tea, date tba. Action	AP
4.6	SEPA survey received which AP has completed.	
4.7	Grass cutting in Rosemarkie Churchyard	
	JP unable to make contact, carried forward. Follow up	JP
4.8	Fireworks	
	Proposed Scottish Government changes -Community	All

	workshop 4 th April. Circulated. AP has forwarded to	
	RAA	
5	Police Report	
	Not available. AP to circulate when received.	AP
	Local reports indicate that the anti-social behaviour	
	has moved from George Vth Field to Fortrose	
	Cathedral grounds.	
	AP to liaise with JP and Academy over litter picking	AP/JP
	/clean up in these areas.	
6	Treasurer's Report	
	Accounts being prepared for AGM. One outstanding	
	payment for the Meeting Room for a BICC meeting.	
	BL to pay bill, AP to get BICC payment.	BL/AP
	BL and DG to liaise over missing gull payments from	
	last year	BL/DG
7	Planning	
	Concerns raised over the plans for anew access to 12	
	house development which crosses a well used	
	footpath and takes traffic up a road with no pavement.	
	CC has raised concerns on planning website LJ	
	suggested contacting L MacAllister re road safety.	
	Follow up	AP
	DG and AP to try and liaise between landowners	
	over ransom strip which blocks access over safer	
	route.	DG/AP
8	Licensing	

	No issues referred.	
		AP
9	Common Good	
9.1	Coastal Erosion	
	CC invited to Scottish Water presentation at golf club.	
	UHI survey has been requested.	
9.2	Management of CG assets	
	Sub committee formed with wide remit including	
	monitoring leases and rents.	AP
10	Community Issues/Consultations	
10.1	Chanonry Point	
	CC very disappointed to hear there will be no Rangers	
	this year, they made a valuable contribution,	
	apparently there will be a traffic warden. CC	
	concerned about changes to parking fees and times	
	with no local consultation.	
	CC has still not heard from THC about reserving part	
	of car park for accessible day. LJ offered to follow up	LJ
10.2	TtrO and 20mph.	
	Still no date to start. LJ will follow up.	LJ
	AP has contacted THC about clear signage to prevent	
	users of Mill Road Car Park exiting through the	
	entrance.	AP
10.3	Gulls	
	DG reported that 42 properties had signed up for this	
	year working again with North East Pest management.	
	DG and GD have to apply for individual licences, very	
	time consuming, and report on each address	
	afterwards to nature.scot. DG is liaising with Fortrose	

	Academy.	DG/GD
10.4	School Links/ Fortrose Academy	
	JP reported that the school councillors aim to attend	
	the Place Plan meeting. LJ expressed concern that	
	THC budget so small. Collapse of school block at	
	Thurso had taken precedent.	
	The dining room floor is about to cave in due to a	JP
	leaking heating system. JP to monitor.	
10.5	Mail Drop	
	JP reported over 100 subscribers and the bottle of	
	whisky had been delivered to the draw winner. Many	
	thanks to Callum for the prize.	
	JP is planning a monthly e mail so any links /requests	
	for volunteers should be with her asap.	
	AJ asked if Agenda and minutes could be sent to	
10.6	subscribers.	JP
	Community Growing	
	ROGS is looking for a site to set up a hub in Fortrose	
	and hope to apply to the Scottish Land Fund, also	
	concerned about Greenside site access being	
	returned to nature when development finished.	
10.7	AP to contact JP over ROGS details.	AP/JP
	Verges	
	AJ reported that the Marine Terrace verges have been	
	badly damaged by parking but there is little we can do	
10.8	until the parking lines are painted.	
	St Boniface Fair	
	We are looking at Saturday 5 th August . Call out for	
	volunteers through facebook and our new list.	

10.9	AP to coordinate.	AP
	Community Development Trust	AP
10.10	AP has contacted the Development Trust Association.	
	Volunteer Groups and sub committees	AII
10.11	Information to be passed to JP	
	XMAS Activities	
	DG/BL/CM to check all lampposts for fittings and	DG/BL/
	brackets to assess what we need. Fund raising will be	CM
10.12	required.	
	Chapter House Project	
	AP to meet with HES and draft volunteer request for	
10.13	JP newsletter.	
	Fortrose Community Market	AP
	One volunteer has approached AP. AP to link with TBI.	
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11.1	Community Meetings	
	BICC – next meeting 19.4.23 and Place Plan will be on	
11.2	the Agenda.	
	BIT – a new tourism document has been produced	
11.3	AP to circulate	
11.4	BIAC – link for facebook	
	Place Plan – meeting in the Gordon Memorial Hall 30 th	
	March was well attended. Report for online comments	
	to out next week and link to go on facebook.	
	AOB	
	NONE	
	Date of next meeting Wednesday 3 rd May 7pm by zoom	