

## Contin Community Council Meeting

### Contin Hall

7.30 pm on Tuesday 30 October 2018

#### Minutes

Present:

Norma Ross (NR), Selina Rennie (SR), Pam Courcha (PC), Lisa Daines (LD), Ian Cockburn, Councillor (IC). 5 members of the public observed the meeting.

Apologies: Laurence Gunner (LG). Letter of apology from Sid Fraser (SF) dated 27/10/18 received 5/11/18.

#### 1. Welcome

NR welcomed everyone.

#### 2. Expressions of Interest

No expressions of interest were reported.

#### 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

Under matters arising NR noted that there had been no volunteer for the Community Council vacancy on the Board of the Trust, though LG is on both bodies. PC proposed the previous minutes and SR seconded.

#### 4. Treasurer's Report

SR reported that the microgrant cheques have been received giving a total of £6833.69, £4098 of which is unrestricted.

#### 5. Community Police Report

NR read out PC Allyson MacGregor's report. The Police have been out much more frequently between 21 August and 23 October and a total of 30 motorists have been charged with speeding. Speed continues to be the main priority in the village and will continue to be monitored. The speed light at the West end has not been fixed, NR to write to the manager of her contact at Bear Scotland. It is possible that the one at the East end is not working either currently. **Action NR** will raise with Bear. There was also a disturbance at a business premises which resulted in a report to the Procurator Fiscal. **Update** 6 Nov 18 both sets of speed reduction lights are working.

#### 6. Open Morning – The Big Village Blether

LD described the upcoming community information morning, the Big Village Blether, on 3<sup>rd</sup> November to those present. The CCC is looking for suggestions for our new action plan from community members. Other attendees include the Fire Service, Foundation Scotland, CCT, Strathpeffer Saves and Home Energy Scotland.

## **7. Windfarm Update**

### **i. Corriemoillie EDF**

This is the only open wind farm fund. Foundation Scotland are concerned about lack of uptake. NR reported that the Community Council or the Community Trust could apply on behalf of unconstituted groups. For example, NR applied on behalf of the Contin Post. The next closing date for applications is the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019. Microgrants are available.

### **ii. Fairburn – SSE**

This wind farm fund is closed for 5 years to fund the new hall. Microgrants available.

### **iii. Lochluichart – Eneco**

This wind farm fund is closed and funds are going to the new hall. See point 11a

## **8. The History Project**

PC reported that the grant application to Corriemoillie fund had been successful. The project is being split into two sections. Firstly, production of a Bluebell walk leaflet by Iain Sarjeant, a local photographer, and a bench installed by the cemetery. Secondly, production of three short talking-head type videos regarding 'What Contin Means to Me'.

## **9. Polling Places**

NR reported that Contin Hall remains on the polling place list.

## **10. Remembrance Sunday**

NR noted that LG has kindly organised the wreath and for Mrs R. Ross to lay it. Highland Council has paid for a wreath for all war memorials on this anniversary year. The Rev. James Bissett will conduct a service at 10.30 on Sunday 11 November at the war memorial with a service at the Church at 11.30. Eddie Dow has kindly offered to install a hook to prevent the wreath blowing away.

## **11. Correspondence**

NR referred all to a letter received from Mr Sid Fraser. **All agreed** that SF should be referred again to the minutes of 24 April 2018. Further, Councillors were not asked in advance by Mr Fraser about production of these notices and no funding was agreed in advance. Thus all **agreed** that no monies should be paid. The notices are in breach of Data Protection Regulations. **This matter is closed and will not be raised as an agenda item again.**

NR reported that a planning application for the new hall has been lodged.

The first issue of the Contin Post was recently issued to all households. NR noted that this project is to encourage all groups in the village to work together and to inform all residents of what is going on. Thanks to Beth King and team. There has been very positive feedback forthcoming from the public.

NR reported that a letter had been received from LG on behalf of CCT asking that the CCC write a letter of support in favour of the devolving the Lochluichart wind farm funds to the new hall project. All **agreed** that NR can write a letter.

NR read out an update from the CCT. It was **agreed** that CCC would wish for more regular updates from the CCT, whether we are copied into the minutes or provided with email updates.

## **12. Comments from Members of the Public**

A member of the public thought that a path up the Tor would be of great benefit to the community. **Action:** to be added to the action plan.

## **13. AOCB**

None.

## **14. Next Meeting Date**

4 December 2018 at 7.30pm.

## **15. Proposed future dates**

5 February 2019

23 April 2019

11 June 2019