



MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 21st MARCH 2018 AT LOGIE COLDSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL

PRESENT: Simon Welfare (Chair), Alec McVean, Nigel Healey, Joyce Lovie, Veronica Ross, Dave Ellis (Secretary), and one member of the public (Donald Gordon)

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Paul Gibb, Cllr. Geva Blackett, Cllr. Peter Argyle, Emma Murphy, Evelyn Smith

1. Minutes

Minutes of the meeting on 13th February were discussed. It was noted that the date in section 2 was in error, this should have read 9th January. With this correction, acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by Dave Ellis and seconded by Simon Welfare. Agreement was unanimous.

2. Cromar Report

Logie Coldstone Pathway: The written confirmation from the landowner had not yet been received. It was hoped that the work could begin in April, assuming that the signed agreement was returned shortly.

Christmas Lights: Nigel Healey agreed to chase the Council for the invoice for the lighting post. This would allow the invoice to be paid quickly followed by claiming the grant made by the Marr Area Committee.

Drains and Roads: The planned meeting with Angela Funk of Aberdeenshire Council and walkabout In Tarland and Logie Coldstone would be arranged in April once we were into the new financial year.

The recent bad weather and snow had caused many potholes to appear in local roads. Anyone impacted was advised to report the pothole using the Council website or mobile phone application. The mobile phone application had the advantage of capturing the location of the problem automatically.

Here is a link to the relevant part of the Council website:-
<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/report/infrastructure/>

It was reported by Councillor Gibb that height of the mound of stones above the soakaway in

the Tarland playpark would be reduced and a membrane barrier installed so that the area could be grassed. This was seen as a very satisfactory solution.

It was planned that trail pits for the soakaway at Logie Coldstone would be dug during the week commencing 26th March. These would test the percolation capacity of the underlying ground.

Community Action Plan: It was planned to hold a special meeting of a subgroup of Community Councillors on Friday 30th March. The planned date for the Tarland "Have Your Say" was now 5th May. Local organisations would be invited to have a table at the event to describe their work and gather the public's views on future projects.

It was proposed that the same subgroup would also look at customising the Constitution. The Secretary was asked to follow up with the Council if guidance would be given on GDPR in the upcoming Handbook for Community Councils that was planned for release in April.

Snow Wardens: The information from Aberdeenshire Council had been shared as agreed. Logie Coldstone Trust had decided to take no action. The arrangements for Tarland were working well and it was decided that nothing more needed to be done at the present time.

Public Telephone Boxes: There was no action on the box at Migvie. It was understood that BT might be offering the new owner of the land upon which the Ordie box stands the option to purchase.

3. Community Council Accounts

The projected cleared balance (taking account the contribution towards Christmas lights lighting post etc.) stood at £1333.93.

4. Logie Coldstone Trust

The annual Duck Race was to be held on the Sunday nearest the first Bank Holiday in May. The Morven Walk and barbecue would be held at the last Bank Holiday weekend in May.

5. Tarland Welfare Trust

The Hall had been unusually busy since Christmas. Committee members from other local halls were visiting Tarland to see the highly successful air source heating system. Live theatre had re-commenced with performances supplied by NEAT (North East Arts Touring). The flat that was part of the Hall was in the process of being refurbished and a new tenant would be sought.

6. Cairngorm National Park

The Community Council had been given input to the CNP Main Issues Report. There was a further consultation being held regarding forestry.

7. Planning

Three planning applications were discussed: a holiday home at Boultenstone ; a hut at Coull; . It was agreed that no comments would be offered on the first two, but, after

extensive discussion, it was agreed that the Community Council should object to the Tarland Trails #2 application.

8. Any Other Business

The empty Council house in Tarland was discussed. Nigel Healey has discussed progress with the Marr Area Manager. It was confirmed that the necessary work would be done to allow the house to be re-occupied but the dates for the work were not yet fixed.

Veronica Ross reported on the meeting that she had attended a meeting at Banchory to inform interested parties of plans for a Deeside Heritage centre. This was envisaged to be a significant development comprising a large visitor centre.

Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday April 23rd at Logie Coldstone Primary School at 19.00