

Inchmarlo, Brathens and Glassel Community Council
Online meeting
Wednesday 9 December 2020, 7.30pm
Draft Minute

Present: Katy Rumbles (Chair); Regis Lechatellier (Treasurer), Callum Lechatellier, Neil Bisset, Robert Russell, William Byth, Andrew Wilkins.

Banchory and Mid Deeside Councillors: Cllr R Bruce and A Ross

In attendance:

Pete Tyrrell

Chris Low

Alison McLeod, Marr Area Committee Officer

1. **Welcome/Apologies:** The Chair (Katy Rumbles), welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed that there had been no apologies. There was a brief introductory session and each member introduced themselves.
2. **New website:** Members discussed the options for creating a website for the community council and asked for assistance from any member who may have knowledge or experience. Katy suggested that the website could be basic, and information on the format and content could be taken from the former Feughdee West Community Council website. Andy Wilkins and Callum Lechatellier agreed to work on progressing the work for a website.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Regis Lechatellier advised that he had discussed with the outgoing Treasurer of Feughdee West Community Council the requirements in relation to setting up a bank account. He proposed to contact the Clydesdale Bank and to make arrangements for setting up an account, as the previous community council had banked with the Clydesdale Bank. It was agreed that Regis should go ahead and make the necessary arrangements, in consultation with the Chair.
4. **Community Council training:** Katy indicated that each member had a log in set up for online training on the Council's training website and encouraged members to have a look at the training available. In addition, it was hoped that in the new year there would be further training made available to community councils, and this would likely be online for the foreseeable future. Support would be provided from the Marr Area Office.
5. **Midhill Funding:** Peter Tyrrell was in attendance (in a support capacity) and advised that the Midhill Wind Farm had been established in 2 projects, Phase I and Phase II. The windfarm was required to make a financial contribution to local communities and the current windfarm contributed approximately £30,000 annually to four local community councils. With the split of Feugdee West Community Council, the two new community councils would be allocated funding, based on a population split, and legal agreements had been drawn up by Fred Olsen in this regard. Peter estimated that Inchmarlo, Brathens and

Glassel Community Council would receive in the order of £9,000 per year for distribution to community groups. There was an application process in place to guide the community council on the receipt of applications, with a scoring process and criteria for the allocation of the funds. Andy Wilkins had been involved in the former sub-committee which had dealt with this. It was noted that there were no pending applications. The numbers of applications varied by were in the order of 3 or 4 each time. Peter recommended that the applications should be considered by the community council in order to be able to deal with them in a timeous manner.

Chris Low joined the meeting at this point, and the Chair advised that Chris would be willing to assist with the processing of the Wind Farm applications as he had previous experience of this. The Chair asked the member to consider appointing Chris as an Associate Member of the community council, as he had skills and knowledge and interests which would be of assistance to the community council in carrying out its functions. This was agreed unanimously, and was proposed by the Chair and seconded by Neil Bisset.

The Chair undertook to liaise with Andy Wilkins and Chris Low and to request the necessary documentation on the Midhill funding allocation.

- 6. Councillor's reports:** The Chair welcomed the Local Members, Councillors Rosemary Bruce and Ann Ross, to the meeting and invited them to provide update reports on local matters.

Councillor Bruce advised that an Incident Management Team was currently dealing with the recent Covid-19 outbreak at Inchmarlo Care Home and were supporting the management of the home, which was closed to new admissions and visiting. She stressed the importance of continuing to follow guidance. Bob Russell advised that resident of the Inchmarlo Estate were being kept up to date, and asked if the Council were referring to the incident that they ensure that they refer to cases associated with the care home, not just 'Inchmarlo' as this could give a false impression. He stressed that there were two aspects to the community – these being the residents of the estate and the residents of the care home.

In relation to information on cases in the wider community of Banchory, Councillor Bruce referred to the Public Health Scotland Website which provides information by neighbourhood.

Councillor Ross advised that her thoughts and prayers were with everyone concerned at a very stressful time. She also advised that it was important to note that the cases in the care home were made up of residents and staff cases. She confirmed that the Health and Social Care Partnership were actively working with the Care Home Management Team and NHS Grampian and the Council's role was to support the H&SCP and the community. She advised that anyone could contact her for assistance or advice and she would do everything that she could to assist. She also advised that the Council had recently appointed a new Leader, Councillor Andy Kille and Councillors were working together. She indicated that she looked forward to working with the community

council for the benefit of the area.

7. **Police Report:** The Chair indicated that she had invited a Police representative to the meeting but had not had a response. She would intend to seek a report for future meetings from the Local Area representative. Councillor Bruce indicated that she would provide a recent police report for circulation.
8. **Date of next meeting:** It was agreed that the community council would have a schedule of meetings approximately every 2 months, and the next meeting would be on Wednesday, 10 February 2021 at 7.30pm.

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