## Inchmarlo, Brathens and Glassel Community Council Online meeting Wednesday 2nd August 2023, 7.30pm Approved Minutes

Present: Paul Herrington (Chair), Neil Bisset (Secretary), Andy Wilkins.

## **Councillors:**

Apologies: Cllr Ann Ross, Cllr Yi Pei Chou Turvey, Regis Lechatellier

Actions are highlighted in Red

- 1. Welcome/Apologies: The Chair (Paul), welcomed everyone to the meeting. Neil confirmed that the ClIrs and Regis had sent their apologies. Note that the Councillors were all on their recess and informed IBG CC of this at the last meeting.
- 2. Approve minutes of previous meeting: Paul proposed, Andy seconded.
- 3. Co-opting new IBG CC Members: Paul brought to the table that we as a community council were not able to conduct the co-opting of the current proposed councillors due to the fact we require to have a minimum of 5 community councillors as members. We therefore decided that we would contact Kirsty to send out the nominations for new community councillors and we would co-opt anyone who was successful at our next meeting. The IBG CC have 2 names that are requesting to join the CC who will be notified of this process.
- 4. Secretarys Report: Neil informed the group that due to summer months and that the councillors were on leave that there was nothing worth noting that had come through the Secretary for noting. Any emails that were relevant had been sent out to the community to keep them up to date.
- Treasurers Report: The recent presented figures as part of the AGM showed the expenditure and outstanding balance up to the 31st July 2023 which is £1,252.38. Midhill wind farms we received £24,644.71 and have awarded £23,769.62.
- 6. **Councillors Report:** The Councillors were on their recess and therefore not in attendance. IBG CC were informed of this at our last meeting.
- 7. **Resilience & Flooding:** Regis was not in attendance at this meeting, however he informed the group that there is not much progress at this point but the bridge which was blocked previously, was cleared of debris between the arches.
- 8. Speed limit Inchmarlo retirement village: The group discussed the upcoming Marr area meeting that is to be held as a final vote in the Aberdeenshire Marr council at the end of August. At this point, there was not anything more that the

community council could add to the documentation and signed petitions already issued to the Councillors in relation to the retirement village Speed limit reduction. Bill Byth had represented IBG CC at the last meeting and would be present at the next meeting to continue to add information where required and this time he would be companied with Paul Herrington.

- 9. Hill of Fare Windfarm - Paul showed a presentation to the group, he informed us that RES had their second set of public exhibitions and that there has been a lot going on. The Hill of Fare wind information group (anti wind farm group) also held public meetings and Paul attended one of those. RES have revised their proposal, they have one less turbine and reduced the height of the turbines from 250m high to 180-200m. RES are working up their final proposal and have artist pictures on view points - IBG CC are now a consultee and RES are required to contact IBG CC on certain viewpoints. In parallel with the RES public exhibitions, IBG CC sent out our guestionnaire and sent out to the residents. We received several hundred responses (with all neighbouring CC's) however the results were similar. 70% against, 10% in favour and the rest are split between neutrals and undecided. The main area of concern is the water supply which doesn't directly affect IBG CC. The power line has also been mentioned is a power line routing that is to go south through Grampian, again this does not affect us but the route is guite a considerable change to landscape and new power lines heading south. Paul informed us that the 6 community councils working together is a good idea and we can collaborate and divide up work as there is a lot of information. The only concern is if other CC's take up other positions different to IBG CC.
- 10. Any other Business (AOB) The group discussed the CAP (community action plan) as well as the LDP (Local development plan) and this could be picked up by one or two of the CC's to check on some of the scopes mentioned within this previously involved consultation with the community for their priorities that the community would like to see in the area. This was when IBG were part of the FWCC, we are obviously smaller now but can focus more on the area. Paul mentioned that he did scratch the surface on this but there was quite a lot of areas this covered. One to discuss at the next meeting.
- **11. Date of next two meetings:** The next meeting will be Wednesday 27th September and 29th November 2023. Meeting will continue via Zoom until further notice.