

## **MONIKIE AND NEWBIGGING COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022

1. Members and Councillors present:

Iain Richmond/George Winslow/Betty Winslow/David Morrison/David McGovern/Cllr Brian Boyd/Cllr Mark McDonald.

2. Apologies:

Alison Binnie/Cllr Cheape/Caroline Stevenson.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting:

George Winslow proposed and Iain Richmond seconded that they were a true account.

4. Matters Arising:

Iain confirmed that information from Free Period Angus and Winter Resilience had been posted on the facebook page. As yet there had been no response about the winter resilience.

5. Seagreen Grant:

The next grant allocation has been received.

Betty agreed to again seek information from previous recipients to help with this year's allocation.

6. IT Grant:

Options were discussed and Iain agreed to purchase this equipment.

7. Pedestrian Access to Monikie Park:

Cllr McDonald confirmed that this matter was in the hands of the appropriate senior officer in the council and we await information.

8. Correspondence from Community Planning:

There was no relevant information.

9. Planning:

There was one application – 22/00353/FULL for a dwelling house at Donnie Hills Craigton.

10. Treasurer's Report:

Iain reported that the closing balance was £2550.52 which includes grant money yet to be allocated. He has sent notification of this to community planning.

11. Councillors questions and answers:

The meeting congratulated the councillors on their election .

They informed members that all three councillors have achieved senior posts in the administration with Cllr Cheape as Planning Convener, Cllr McDonald as Convener of Communities and Cllr Boyd as Provost.

Cllr McDonald pointed out that already our new provost had taken steps to reduce the expenditure of this office by a salary reduction of and the removal of the allocation of a limousine car thus making significant savings to the council.

They went on to describe the difficulties that will be faced in the budgeting but had hopes that restructuring will be a positive step to a fairness in distributing allocation of resources to all areas in the region .

12. Police:

There was no current information available.

13. Community Council Elections:

The generation of interest within the community to come forward to serve on the community council was discussed at length.

David McGovern was willing to prepare some information to put on the social media available to raise awareness of the need to have new members elected in October and Betty agreed to confirm the number of members needed and get information to him.

14. A.O.C.B.

Defibrillator update – Betty had checked with Pitairlie garage but they had received no word from electrician to date and she will chase this up.

Road conditions – Iain commented on the poor condition of sections of the road leading from Monikie to the hall and this was confirmed by David McGovern who confirmed that it was a danger to cyclists. Cllr McDonald informed the meeting of the existence of CWSR, Cycling, Walking and Safer Routes, an initiative by Angus Council which would provide information.

He also gave information about the budget allocation for roads.

Bus Shelter at Monikie School- David McGovern raise the possibility of preservation of this building. Iain informed the meeting of the C/C's endeavours in the past to do just that and the suggestion that it could be moved to the Memorial hall site.

The condition of the shelter, difficulties and cost prohibited the project from proceeding at that time.

David Morrison suggested that this could be a project that the Men's Shed organisation may consider.

Betty agreed to find contacts and will liaise with David McGovern who will investigate the possibility.

15. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022