# MINUTES OF MEETING OF INVERARITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2023 AT 7.30 PM AT INVERARITY CHURCH AND INVERARITY KIRK/COMMUNITY HALL

<u>PRESENT:</u> Elizabeth Steuart Fothringham (Chair); Carole Short (Secretary); Louise Nicoll (Treasurer); Duncan Gourlay (Planning Representative); Scott Nicoll; Heather Anne Low; Councillor Julie Bell; Mrs JaneTurrent (Part-time Head Teacher Inverarity Primary School); Jennifer Pate; Fiona Goetz; Gail Hutton; Amanda Mitchell.

The meeting commenced at Inverarity Church with Mrs Turrent introducing James Byres; Cameron Hutton; Logan Mitchell; Ed Pate; - All pupils at Inverarity Primary School. The school had asked Community Council if they could give a presentation on their achieving a Bronze Award as a Rights Respecting School. This award is the creation of UNICEF UK in conjunction with the Scottish Government and focuses on the principles at the centre of the **United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.** The group aimed to share information with the local community and raise awareness locally about **UNCR.** 

We sat in small groups around each pupil as they showed us their Power Point Presentations, and all spoke very knowledgeably and clearly about the subject. It was amazing to hear what they had achieved in little under 12 months' time. They had clearly been busy learning about children in other lands as well as their own country. Someone from Afghanistan had given a talk in conjunction with the toilet twinning and how this project supports people where she lives. As a result of this the school held a fundraiser and the proceeds enabled the school to help provide a toilet for a village in Afghanistan. Congratulations children on achieving your Bronze Award and we look forward to you achieving your Silver, please come along and tell us about it. We look forward to seeing you all again.

After the presentation the children along with Jennifer Pate, Fiona Goetz, Gail Hutton and Amanda Mitchell left the Church and Community Council members moved over to the Kirk/Community Hall to commence their meeting.

1) APOLOGIES: Councillors R Proctor and G Meechan; Joanna Anderson

#### 2) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of Meeting 15.3.23 were accepted as a true record.

#### **Matters Arising From Meeting 21.9.22**

a) Lownie Solar Farm – Awaiting application to be submitted.

#### School Report

Mrs Turrent reported that the Nursery now has the full complement of children and that the school numbers were good. The school are holding their end of term shows at Inverarity Church on Tuesday 20 June at 1.45pm and on Wednesday 21 June at 6pm. Tea and coffee will be served in the Church Hall after the Wednesday show. If anyone is interested in coming along, please contact the school for tickets.

The school grounds will be open Tuesday to Saturday 11am to 8pm during the holidays. Parental responsibility applies and no ball games on concrete area please. There is now a slack line too.

# b) Defibrillator and Ancillary Equipment

Elizabeth reported that all equipment was now in place but felt that we should order a set of new pads as the ones we have expire in August. Louise will enquire about prices and report back to Elizabeth.

<u>Training -</u> Discussion took place on the problems of finding organisations which offer free training. Elizabeth had obtained a quote from a private company who would carry out two sessions of 12 persons each time. The cost would be £520.00. As we have enough money to cover this in the funds awarded to us It was **agreed** we contact them with a view to training being carried out on a Saturday. Should we require more training sessions, then we could possibly contact St Johns once again in November when they start their courses again. We can liaise with the school on ideas for training older children, possibly with their parents in attendance.

<u>Signage for Defibrillator</u>-Carole advised that she had obtained a quote from Tayside Contracts for signs for our noticeboards giving information on the whereabouts defibrillator is located and is going to apply to Tayside Contracts Community Fund for help towards payment for them.

## 3) PLANNING - Nothing to report

## 4) **CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Police Reports can be accessed from <a href="mailto:victoria.crichton@scotland.police.uk">victoria.crichton@scotland.police.uk</a> Councillor Bell made us aware that there had been fuel thefts in the area and for us to be vigilant.
- **b)** Free Period Products are available in Angus. Please contact <a href="mailto:Planning@Angus.gov.uk">Planning@Angus.gov.uk</a> for information on how to access these products.

#### 5) TREASUR'S REPORT

Louise reported our balance stands at £6707.00. Secretary submitted receipt for black ink she had purchased for the printer.

# 6) INFRASTRUCTURE

- a) Duncan said he had reported the lamp at the corner near Church which is still flickering. Julie Bell will contact Lighting Department.
- b) Members of the Community are encouraged to use the pothole reporting tool. Either click on the link below, or use google (or any search engine) to search for "Angus Council report a pot hole" <a href="https://anguscouncil-self.achieveservice.com/AchieveForms/?mode=fill&form\_uri=sandbox-publish://AF-Process-8d3c7028-ce77-4260-8b68-fecdcf69eee8/AF-Stage-1728c07f-5459-48f4-8c1e-2cc83c397056/definition.json&process=1&process\_uri=sandbox-processes://AF-Process-8d3c7028-ce77-4260-8b68-fecdcf69eee8&process\_id=AF-Process-8d3c7028-ce77-4260-8b68-fecdcf69eee8&accept=yes&consentMessageIds[]=84&consentMessageIds[]=146
- c) Scott reported that there is a corner on the Carrot Hill Road which is narrowing quite badly because the verge is encroaching on the road. Julie asked Scott to give her a map reference and she would take the matter up with the Roads Department.

**d)** The overgrown weeds on the building plot which is for sale at Seggieden was brought up once more by a resident. Julie will see what she can do to help.

# 7) <u>AOCB</u>

Chair and two members of Inverarity Community Council signed and dated the Model Constitution for Community Councils for submission to Angus Council for approval.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 9.15pm The next meeting will be our AGM and Ordinary Meeting and will take place on <u>Wednesday 16 August 2023 at 7.30pm</u>