

NETHY BRIDGE & VICINITY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4 APRIL 2019

Present: S McCook (Chairman), D Carrott (Treasurer), J Grant (Secretary), E Ibbertson, D Black, A Young

In Attendance: Cllr B Lobban, J Kirk (Cairngorms National Park), One member of the public, Malcolm Reynolds

Apologies: S George

Welcome: S McCook welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Approved: A Young, Seconded: D Black

MATTERS ARISING

Community Council Scheme: S McCook has managed to scan through this but will read in-depth for next meeting..

Aviemore Hospital: Secretary has emailed regarding Nethy Bridge CC being kept informed on progress.

Abernethy Trust: Still to get back to them with ideas for community projects.

Coulnakyle Road: Overgrown trees at the roadside are still problematic: Chairman and Cllr Lobban to examine together.

Members of The Public: Malcolm Reynolds asked for the CC's assistance in challenging reports of deer shot out of season. He has approached RSPB under the Freedom of Information Act regarding numbers and dates of deer culled. The CC will ask Scottish National Heritage to carry out a full investigation and access to records. Mr Reynolds also suggested we consider registering an interest in the community buying a buffer zone around the village.

Treasurer's Report: The annual report has been distributed via email. Balance: £8628. Community Website entry invoice of £40 to pay and the £18 rental for the Explore Abernethy room for tonight's meeting.

Councillor's Report:

BUDGET: The Council's budget has gone through. There has been some controversy regarding cuts to spending on additional support needs in schools but nothing will change for children assessed as having the greatest support needs.

POTHOLE: Work continues on pothole filling.

CAIRNGORM MOUNTAIN: There is a programme of investment planned for summer with redevelopment of the restaurant at the base. The engineer's report on the funicular railway has been completed and is going out to specialist companies for pricing. Repair is still a option depending on prices. Support from HIE is keeping everything going. No Funicular railway combined

with no snow has had a major negative impact on businesses in the local area. Highland Council is in consultation with CNPA regarding public access to the top of the Funicular.

CNPA: John Kirk was congratulated on his election to CNPA by the chairman and members of the CC. He wanted to express his thanks to those who'd voted for him and will be at a training day on 5 April and attend his first CNPA meeting later in the month.

Planning:

CULREACH

Ron Laing had written to the CC regarding a planned build on land at Culreach. The CC agreed to respond that we are in agreement with said plan.

KIMBERLEY

The CC had no objection to a plan to demolish and replace a build at the rear of Kimberley.

HOUSING IN NETHY BRIDGE

The CC were unaware as to where the planned housing mentioned in the latest edition of The Strathspey and Badenoch Herald was to be located but will investigate.

AOCB

Whiskey Barrel Planters: it was agreed to get together next weekend to replace the old planters and fill with new earth provided by John Kirk ready for planting by Highland Council.

Templeton Bridge: Part of the bank has fallen away at the south end. As this forms part of The Speyside Way, we will approach CNPA regarding repair.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed.

NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 2 MAY 2019 AT 7.30PM