



BELHELVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

UPDATED APPROVED MINUTES of MEETING 17th August 2020 Teams Call-in.

Chair: David Wallace; **Vice Chair:** Alex McIntyre **Treasurer:** Ewan Phipps
Secretary: John Fletcher **Planning Reporter:** Graham Middleton

Members Present: D Wallace, A McIntyre, E Phipps, C Wood, G Middleton, J Fletcher, H Foxen
M Brown, D McKendrick.

Apologies:

Formartine Area Councillors Present: P Johnstone, Andrew Hassan

Apologies: Karen Adam Jim Gifford

Visitors: S Nicoll, N Wade, M & G Milne & C Kindley (local residents), S Rawlins (AC Community Planning Officer))

1. Sign-In & Introduction of Attendees

All attendees were welcomed and asked that all matters be addressed through the chair.

2. Chairperson's Opening Remarks

The Chair progressed the meeting, he asked all participants to mute their microphone when listening so we can avoid background noises and feedback echo and only have it ON when talking.

Chair said we would not follow the Agenda strictly and allow for discussion with the visitors who are attending, they would then be allowed to remove themselves from the meeting if they wished.

3. Declaration of any Conflicts of Interest to Agenda Items

No Conflict of interests reported

4. Police Matters & Report

- No police presence and no report as yet.

Last report April 2020 (received 6 May)

UPDATE (in the meeting): S Rawlins has asked about Ward 8 report and will chase again

UPDATE (in the meeting): Cllr Hassan working with the Police about speeding in Balmedie

- S Rawlins said that a school sign has to be replaced in Balmedie.

5. Planning Report (G Middleton)

Planning approval for fence on Eigie Lane

Planning Permission at 36 Holdings, North Beach Road, single house and garage

6. Treasurers Report (E Phipps)

Nothing from accounts

Projects all set a side

7. Comments / Approval from the previous Meeting Minutes

- The minutes from the previous meeting were modified slightly. They were then proposed for approval by A McIntyre and seconded by M Brown.

8. Matters arising from previous meeting

- **Additional Funds**, due to current Covid 19 situation Formartine in Bloom and Beginning to Blossom competitions cancelled), money received from AC (3 villages £100, Balmedie £200),

ACTION Completed: money has been distributed.

- **Request to support local power Bill**, on hold

- **Environmental (scrap yard Potterton fires)**

ACTION: All please report direct to SEPA and let BCC know if you see anything at the site

ACTION Completed: Carlyne has replied to resident who raised the issue after the update was received from SEPA.

9. Ongoing Projects Update

Greenfield/Landfill Projects Update (E Phipps)

No actions on these projects at present

10. Pandemic (CV19) Our Response, Involvement & Actions

- Phase 3 update from Scottish Government - posted on Facebook 3 August

11. External & Internal Correspondence

- 21st July - Elections postponed to Spring (forwarded to BCC 4 Aug)
ACTION Completed: C Wood to update website once discussed at monthly meeting
- 21st July - AC's Aberdeenshire Community Food Fund - posted on Facebook and forwarded to Rosie and Paul McKeown
- 23rd July / 13th August - resident reported problems with cycle path
Emails forwarded to David Wallace. (Discussed at meeting)
ACTION Completed Contacted Ellon Police for advice on who to report problems to.
ACTION Completed Contacted AC and passed roads dept email on to resident
- 24th July - Developer obligations (Potterton)- needs to be forwarded to local groups
ACTION: Potterton - Green Fingers, Potterton Community Group - Hilary to contact
- 28th July - Waste management - update on recycling centres - posted to Facebook
- 30th July - Community Council Training Database - ALDO forwarded to members to contact AC and sign up to access.
UPDATE (at meeting): C Wood and A McIntyre have requested and received access to the system
- 10th August - S Rawlins request for details of groups working together for 3rd sector week (email circulated to BCC 10 August)
Any suggestions from BCC
UPDATE: M Brown sent details of White Cairns work which has been forwarded to Samantha.
- 10th August - Community Impact Assessment - Ward 8 Discussion Forums (meeting)
C Wood & H Foxen to attend the meeting online
- 13th August - Scott Grove, Belhelvie - flower meadow. Request from resident to investigate Council maintenance plans for the area.
ACTION Completed Landscape services contacted, they have in touch with the resident directly to respond to the issue raised.
- 14th August - offered apologies to resident for email appearing on notice boards, Minutes on noticeboard updated. Have emailed update from SEPA to the resident, BCC still waiting on more information from SEPA team. H Foxen in contact with Environmental Health locally
- Apology offered to community resident Mrs Maureen Pirie over the noting of her email address on previously approved minutes which had been posted on the noticeboards. Minutes revised accordingly and replaced on notice boards

12. Any Other Business

- Mrs C Kindley asked the meeting if something could be done to improve signage on the track from Balmedie to Blackdog, at present coming from Balmedie there is a cycle track sign, Mrs Kindley's house is close by and she reported that cyclists and in some cases motor cycles are speeding down around the corner where they could meet with a car. She is very worried that someone will be injured at some point because of cars and transport lorries on this road.
Cllr P Johnstone put forward that there are plans to install a cycling track alongside the A90, but Covid 19 has put paid to this at present.
ACTION: Cllr P Johnstone is going to ask if temporary signs could be put in place
- **LDP Discussion (Belhelvie/Potterton)**
- G Middleton read the report he sent on behalf of BCC on the Belhelvie section of the LDP
- N Wade (Belhelvie Resident) aired his objections to the LDP in regards to Belhelvie, he also stated there was a lack of MIR and LDP information from AC and BCC. He said that he has sent a list of objections to AC and BCC.
Cllrs Hassan and Johnstone explained the process of the MIR and LDP which had started 2 years previously.
- G Milne (Potterton Resident) asked G Middleton to read the report he had sent to AC on behalf of BCC for the LDP ref OP1 and OP2
G Milne and H Foxen listed their objections to the LDP to the meeting, a list of objections has been sent AC and BCC. G Milne felt that the whole process had been rushed through, and there had been a lack of discussion.
On the BCC LDP report, G Milne and H Foxen thought the word Faction was not relevant in the report, after discussing the word in detail it was decided unanimously to change from 'Faction' to 'Group of Residents'.
G Middleton will send a new report with the word change to AC Planning Dept for replacement of the report.
- Chairman invited Mr Wade, Mr Pirie and Mr Milne to consider joining the BCC, which they all agreed to do.
ACTION: Chairman to send on member application forms to all 3 gentlemen

ACTION Completed: 23/08/2020

- A McIntyre was contacted by a resident private about delivery vans using the road between Balmedie House and Lodge. He agreed to contact Balmedie House to discuss if this was a problem for them and verify that the route was required for emergency access.
ACTION: A McIntyre will provide an update at the next meeting
- **Transport (C Wood)**
New Stagecoach timetables 3 August - posted to Facebook
AC surface dressing works (for 6 weeks) posted to Facebook
Nestrans, the Transport Partnership for Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire consultation - posted to Facebook for communities to respond directly.
Upcoming Meetings
 - Formartine Rural Partnership Meeting 21st August H Foxen attending
 - Community Council Forum 26th August attendance confirmed (M Brown/D Wallace)
 - Banter restarting with Autumn/ Winter edition
ACTION: C Woods to co-ordinate Banter input by 23rd October
 - S Rawlins advised of expected redundancies, AC anticipates using food banks, community larders/fridges
ACTION Completed; emailed D Barclay for details

POST MEETING NOTE

On the 22nd July 2020 BCC and Barratt Homes had a Teams Meeting where Barratt Homes presented to the BCC members, followed by a Q&A / discussion on the LDP proposals.

Present at the meeting were as follows:

Catherine Thornhill (Barratt Homes)
Chriss Ross (Development Director, Barratt North Scotland)
Bruce Walker (Regional Strategic Land Director, Barratt & David Wilson Homes Scotland)
Russell Henderson (Associate Director Transport & Engineering, RPS Consultant)
Steven Park (Managing Director, Liberty One Communications)

For BCC:

Graham Middleton (BCC Planning Officer)
John Fletcher (BCC Secretary)
Alex McIntyre (BCC Vice Chair)
Carolyne Wood (BCC Communications)
Hillary Foxen (BCC)
Ewan Phipps (BCC Treasurer)

Questions arising from the Presentation:

Length of build in Potterton, approx. 40 homes per year from the start of building the homes, approx. 5 years plus.

What are the Communications, plan of activities, public consultations, Likely two rounds of public consultation, 2021

When is the Plan adoption, If adopted 2021 Q3

How many affordable homes, 25%

How likely is it that the max number of houses are built, Likely to be less due to site restraint.

H Foxen who is also a Potterton resident had a lengthy discussion with the Barratt Group about the concerns of the residents, mainly the lack of infrastructure and the impact of overdevelopment on the village, and she did not agree with the view that the development was a good fit for Potterton. Barratts said they would work with the residents and the environment.

Meeting closed 21:25

DUE TO ONGOING CORONA VIRUS ISSUES

NB These August 2020 minutes were approved at the 21th September 2020 BCC Meeting, Next BCC Meeting will be on Monday 19th October 2020 at 7:00pm using Teams Phone-in, Visitors welcome, email :belhelviecommunitycouncil@hotmail.com for the phone-in number

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