

ALVAH AND FORGLEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

ALVAH PARISH HALL: TUESDAY 28 JANUARY 2020

MINUTES

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1. Present.

Barbara Foad (Chairman)	Doug Hill	Carolyn Cox
Jim Bayne (Secretary)	Phil Duffield	John Burns
Stuart Adams (Vice Chairman)	Carol Rewston	Rhoda Burns
Mike Dewhurst (Treasurer)		

In Attendance: Cllr. Michael Roy (Aberdeenshire Council), Cllr. John Cox (Aberdeenshire Council) and Andrew Webster (Forglen Hall).

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Helen Bayne, Jacky Player and Caroline Jones.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 17 December were accepted as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

- (a) Timetable for CAP. Ongoing action with Area Manager.
- (b) Projects for Deuchries Funding. Ongoing action with John Burns.

5. Community Police.

The Police were unable to attend due to prior commitments.

6. Floral Displays and Public Amenity Areas.

(a) Carol reported that:

- All the tubs had been cleared out.
- Primula had been planted in all the tubs except those in Bogton and those in Forglen Cemetery.

(b) Carol had previously distributed a consultation paper from Aberdeenshire council with a number of options for the future supply of bedding plants if the current supply from the council was no longer affordable. It was agreed that she should reply with very neutral answers.

(c) Cllr. Cox advised that curtailment of the current council provision was not council policy, and the consultation had been issued by council officials to assess the response from the community councils.

7. Rural Broadband

(a) R100.

The Secretary had distributed an email from R100 that conformed that BT had been awarded the contracts for the south of Scotland and Central Scotland. BT was the preferred bidder for the North of Scotland, which includes Alvah and Forglen, but there had been a legal challenge by Gigaclear Ltd.

(b) All Party Parliamentary Group for Broadband and Digital Communication.

Local MP David Duguid had been elected Chairman of APPG for Broadband and Digital Communication.

8. Arts Group.

(a) Rhoda reported that:

- The next show at Forglen Hall would be Artie's Tartan Tales on 8 February.
- The next shows at Alvah would be:
 - Friday, 24 April – Bond: An unauthorised Parody.
 - Friday, 8 May - Paradise Lodge.
 - Saturday, 13 June - Eva Cassidy Story

(b) The Chairman reported that the Arts Group would re-convene in early March.

(c) Secretary reported that Peter Chapman would be pleased to present "A history of Doric), which comprised mainly songs and poems. There would be no charge for this presentation.

(d) It was agreed that the Secretary would find out when Peter was available.

(e) Barbara and Rhoda would investigate the possibility of having another act to complement the Doric show.

9. Any Other Business

• Electric Vehicles Charging Points.

(i) The secretary had distributed an email from Aberdeenshire council explaining the policy on charging points. Details can be found on the links below:

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/domestic-charge-point-funding>

<https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/grants-loans/business-charge-point-funding>

(ii) Stewart explained that currently you could purchase an electric vehicle with 6-year interest free loan and with a Government discount of £3500.

• Deuchries Funding.

It was agreed that some of the flower tubs were now in poor condition and that funding should be sought for new tubs.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting would be on 25 February at Forglen Hall, commencing 19:00 hours.

Annex A - list of actions.

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ANNEX A

ACTIONS

	OWNER	COMPLETION
Timetable for Community Action Plan.	Area Manager	Ongoing
Projects for Deuchries funding.	John Burns	Ongoing
Deuchries funding for flower tubs	Secretary	Ongoing
Dates from Peter Chapman	Secretary	25 February
Respond to flower consultation	Carol	25 February
Complementary Act	Barbara/Rhoda	25 February