

ALVAH AND FORGLEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

FORGLEN HALL: TUESDAY 27 JULY 2021

MINUTES

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1. Present.

Barbara Foad (Chairman)
Mike Dewhurst (Treasurer)
John Burns
Rhoda Burns
Carol Rewston

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Jim Bayne, Helen Bayne, Caroline Jones, Doug Hill, Jacky Player, Carolyn Cox, Phil Duffield, Christina Roebuck, Cllrs. Roy and Cox (Aberdeenshire Council).

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting on 29 June were agreed by email.

4. Matters Arising.

- Safety of School Children at Bogton Pick up Point.
 - Residents were concerned for the safety of children crossing the road at Bogton for the school bus.
 - Secretary agreed to inform Aberdeenshire Council. [**Secretary's Note: Council informed on 4 July.**]

Alistair Miller, senior roads engineer, Aberdeenshire Council advised that:

1. **The bus shelter on the B9025-** colleagues in the public transport unit will arrange to visit the site and assess what can be done and will feedback in about 2 to 3 weeks.

2. **Pick up drop off point (PuDo) in Bogton.** The Road Safety Engineering Unit (RSEU), advised they don't have a sign for this situation. Parents who are concerned about safety issues concerned with school bus PuDo or walking route to PuDo should contact the school transport

school.transport@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

to request an assessment. The assessment will be carried out by the RSEU, usually with input from the bus service provider and then the school transport unit will be responsible for collating all the information and responding to the parents and instructing any alterations to the parents/service providers. Rhoda and John Burns to approach parents. If they wish the Community Council can make this request on their behalf.

5. Community Police.

The Police were unable to attend due to prior commitments.

6. Floral Displays and Public Amenity Areas.

a) Carol Rewston advised that unexpectedly it had been possible to source the plants for the tubs from Aberdeenshire Council. The community Council congratulated Carol and Rhoda on the display of the flower tubs this summer

(b) The secretary agreed to ask the council if there was any land close to the Deveron where AFCC could place benches: the acting secretary has had a response from Aberdeenshire Council who advised that the only land owned by them are the Alvah Cemetery and the Forglen Cemetery. They advised that we should identify positions where we would like to site benches and they will assist in finding out the land ownership of the sites. It was agreed to carry this item forward to the September meeting of the community Council when we will have access to the map in the hall at Alvah of the Community Council boundaries.

7. Rural Broadband

The Acting Secretary has been in contact with R100 but there has been no further update as to the plans for Alvah and Forglen.

8. Deuchries

The Acting Secretary circulated the spreadsheet showing the allocation of Deuchries funding. Alvah and Forglen had only two bids, one from Alvah Hall and one from AFCC. The allocation to this area was £4750. The total allocation was £24,821. Our area, therefore, receive 19% of the total allocation. It was agreed that Deuchries should become a standing item on the Community Council agenda to encourage and support future applications for funding. There will be another round of funding of £23721 in October. We should aim to apply for at least half this amount for Alvah and Forglen.

9. Queen's Green Canopy Project

The chairman made contact with the Mountblairy Estate but has been advised that as the owner, Mr Morison is abroad for the summer they will get back to us in the autumn.

9. Arts Group.

(a) The Chairman reported that:

- The 20/21 AGM would be held on 29 August commencing 10:00 hours at Forglen Hall.
- The painting Group would re-start on 2 September.
- The shows would start again in the New Year.
- There was the possibility of having a show at an outside venue.
- Consideration was being given to an Instagram Account and a WhatsApp presence.
- New committee members would be welcome.

10. Planning

APP/2021/1479 - Planning Permission in Principle for erection of Dwellinghouse and Garage- 8 Carnousie Avenue, Forglen

John Burns has arranged a meeting with the planning officer on 28 July, to clarify details of the application and report back to the community Council.

11. Secretarial Vacancy

Under the terms of the establishment of the Community Council it is a requirement that we have chairman, as secretary and treasurer in post. It will be necessary for someone to fulfil the role of minutes secretary and receiving emails from Aberdeenshire Council and forwarding them on either to the full community Council or specifically designated people. This item will remain on the agenda until its resolution

12. Any Other Business

Rhoda Burns has identified potential sites for a community garden in Bogton, Forglen. It was agreed that this will remain as a standing item on the Community Council agenda.

13. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on 28 September 2021 at Alvah Parish Hall, commencing 19:00 hours.

Barbara Foad Chairman

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