

ALVAH AND FORGLEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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• Covid – 19

- It was agreed that, for the foreseeable future, AFCC business would be conducted by email, or Zoom meetings. The secretary would continue to provide monthly updates.
- AFCC and both halls have completed risk assessments and mitigation is in place and it should be possible to hold meetings in the halls when restrictions are eased.
- The secretary had circulated all relevant Aberdeenshire Council guidance and information.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting.

There were no minutes as the last meeting took the form of the Secretary's Update.

3 Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising.

4. Community Police.

The secretary had circulated the latest police reports and neighbourhood scam alerts.

5. Floral Displays and Public Amenity Areas

- (a) Carol had procured the primula and distributed them to Rhoda, Carolyn and Stewart to plant in their local tubs.
- (b) Carol had planted out the tubs at Alvah and both halls.

6. Rural Broadband

The Secretary had circulated the R100 email of 24 February that provided details of funding and broad aspects of the immediate programme. Secretary also circulated The Times article reporting that the programme has slipped considerably.

7. Roads.

- (a) The Secretary had informed the roads department of very large potholes on the road (U12L) running past Wood of Shaws towards Walker's yard.
- (b) The roads Department had the road repaired the following week.

8. Community Council Forum

Secretary had distributed the invitation to join the Skype meeting commencing 18:00 hours on 14 April.

9. Moray East Windfarm.

Secretary had distributed the latest update from Moray East and also the Moray East community newsletter.

10. Planning.

(a) **Application APP/2021/0278 – Quarry on Forglen Estate.** As no local residents had raised any issues it was agreed that AFCC would not comment on the application.

(b) Secretary distributed Town and Country Planning Amendment Order 2020. This amendment indicates that agricultural or forestry buildings can be converted to dwellings or commercial uses such as cafes without formal planning and CCs will not have the right of representation.

11. Deuchries.

(a) Aberchirder Association advised that the next allocation should take place before June. The wind farm had paid £28k into the 2021 pot.

12. The new local representative on the Deuchries committee will be Hanna Pennig from Forglen

13. Enterprise Booster.

The Secretary had distributed Robert Gordon University invitation for 16 – 24 year olds considering becoming self-employed or starting their own business to join a 6 week free on-line course.

14. Recycling Rules for Trailers and Vans.

The Secretary had circulated the latest Aberdeenshire Council rules on the use of trailers and vans at the recycling centres.

15. Election of Officers at AGM

Secretary had advised AFCC that he would not seek re-election at the AGM.

16. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 30 April.

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