

Approved Minutes of the Cluny, Midmar @ Monymusk Community Council Zoom AGM Meeting and General meeting held on 10th June 2021

Function	Name	Contact	Attendees	Apologies
Chairman/secretary Midmar C.C.	Richard Fyffe	01330-833295 Richard@corsindae.com	✓	
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	CLlr David Aitchison	01224-749754	-	
	CLlr Ron McKail	01224-742095	-	
	CLlr Alistair McKelvie	07388-956143		✓
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	CLlr Moira Ingleby	07770-410539	-	
	CLlr John Latham	07876-475038	-	
	CLlr Gwyneth Petrie	07891-296064	-	
	CLlr Robbie Withey	07388-956147	-	

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Members of public	Invited guests
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No	AGM	Action/Info.
1	Welcome and Apologies - as noted above.	info
2	Election of Office Bearers - CLlr Iris Walker overviewed the Election of Office Bearers as follows – Chairman – Richard Fyffe - Proposer Peter Fraser Seconder Judy Stokoe Deputy Chair – Mo Clark – Proposer Richard Fyffe Seconder Judith Stokoe Treasurer – Judith Stokoe – Proposer Richard Fyffe Seconder Mo Clark Secretary – Richard Fyffe (temporary arrangement) – Proposer Robin Worsman Seconder Judy Stokoe. Mo Clark will assist as minute producer until a permanent person is appointed. Frank Murray from Midmar has applied and been accepted as an acting member of the Community Council – Welcome Frank.	info

3	<p>Chairman's report – Clearly the pandemic impacted all of our areas however, the Communities in general operated in a very resilient self-sufficient way and any offer of financial support was refused in the belief that others were more in need which was admirable. We continued to operate as a Community Council mainly by email and then latterly using the Zoom function tool. It is hoped we will be able to meet up in person in August but will continue to use the Zoom function when required. The main issues were in Sauchen and Midmar linked to the LDP proposals – it really is frustrating that our feedback was ignored by the Planning group. It is great to see the Cluny to Sauchen path is now under way after so many years of campaigning for this. We really have continued to use our skills, strengths and knowledge within our group and thanks to everyone who has given a great deal of personal time in discussions with the different professional bodies we need to have dialogue with on an on-going basis. Hugh Falconer who has stepped down from the Secretary role we are all due an enormous amount of gratitude to - happily he will continue to provide us with support on our I.T. areas. In addition we need to thank in particular Cllr Iris Walker for her on-going support to our group we really appreciate your time given on an on-going basis. It is hoped once the pandemic restrictions are reduced, that our Community Council meetings in local Halls will resume. Police support member will join us in person as speeding vehicles remains an on-going problem in all 3 areas.</p>	info
4	<p>Financial Report – Judith Stoke talked over our statement of accounts for the year detailing our expenditure and current credit balance. It should be noted the defibrillator funds gathered through grants and local donations needs to be moved to a separate account as this was only ever a temporary arrangement – Judith to liaise with Hugh Falconer. Richard Fyffe and Judith Stokoe to sign off the finance statement as being an accurate reflection of our Community Council financial affairs.</p>	Richard Fyffe/Judith Stokoe
5	<p>Meeting frequency and dates for the year. Generally extended dates are working well – of course it is important for anyone to contact the appropriate Community Councillor(s) on a need for basis, regardless of meeting dates. Currently we have scheduled dates as follows: 5th August 2021(zoom) 30th September 2021, 25th November 2021, 20 January 2022. Richard Fyffe will confirm the remaining dates and hopefully venues, having booked the appropriate Halls.</p>	Richard Fyffe/Mo Clark/Cllr Iris Walker.
1	<p>General Meeting welcome and apologies -As noted above.</p>	info
2	<p>Conflict of interest-Covered off as part of meeting</p>	info
3	<p>Adoption of minutes of previous meeting -Accepted as fair reflection of meeting proposer Robin Worsman Seconder Judith Stokoe. Richard</p>	Richard Fyffe

	Fyffe to sign off and send to Garioch Office	
4	Police Scotland update –Nothing to report.	info
5	<p>Planning Matters – Community Land beside Midmar Hall we have continued to object to the proposed change of use on this. A Community buy out may be the last resort to follow through on. Please note the National framework document is due to be published soon, with resultant changes to the number of houses needed in Council areas.</p> <p>In addition we continue to receive the weekly planning details however this does not cover everything so we need to access the Council portal to view the full details.</p>	info
6	<p>Monymusk issues –</p> <p>a. Traffic mirror update is that 2 local charities and Community Council will contribute to a three way split in funding. Last verification on insurance cover and Judith/Robin to liaise with cheque payment.</p> <p>b. Paradise Wood/Tillyfourie Quarry complaints. We qualified the “access code rights” with Richard Elliot Access Officer Aberdeenshire Points clarified –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A farm yard area is not a right of way and is deemed out of bounds. 2. SSSI sites have no linkage points in the access rights code – makes no reference so treated the same. 3. People have responsibility to treat the area respectfully as part of the code. 4. The SSSI sites are covered as part of the Ranger Officers’ responsibility. At best they can classify this as a site on their list that “avoids promotion” and have been successful at getting information removed on internet sites. 5. Quarry areas are in a different category and it depends if it is deemed as a working area or not. There are also linkage points to the Environmental Health group as well. If redundant use and deemed as a “natural feature” then people can enter at their own risk with no liability on the landowner. 6. Signage information on liability makes no difference. 7. Farmers can block off access to their fields but should not padlock a gate for example. Can request Police assistance to remove obstacles. 8. Parents are responsible for their children at all times even if not in attendance at the time. <p>As a Community Council we have a responsibility to follow up on local issues as we did in the Sauchen area (linked to access rights) during lock down last year. It is hoped with the opening up of lockdown we will see a reduction in vehicle / people issues to a more manageable</p>	<p>Richard/Judith/Robin</p> <p>Info</p>

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	level. The Bennachie group have been awarded funding to appoint an additional Ranger to help manage anti-respectful activities, helping to broaden peoples understanding of the access code. We will continue working with groups to help minimise any negative disruption in our areas.	
7	<p>Sauchen Issues –</p> <p>a. Cluny Meadows: speeding driver’s company spoken to about approaching site. Alternative access point being pursued by Developer.</p> <p>b. The path between Cluny School and Sauchen is well underway which is great to see. The historic “mile stone” will be reinstated by site team after discussions with them. The School are being approached to come up with a name for the path.</p>	info
8	<p>Midmar Issues –</p> <p>a. Community space change proposal -see item 5 above.</p>	info
9	<p>A.O.C.B.</p> <p>a. Grass verges: management awaiting briefing on Contractors’ priority clearing of zones – extra funding has been awarded.</p> <p>b. General concern on local blocked drains that have not been cleared in years leading to flooding issues. Cllr Walker highlighted that a general report covering this has been given to the Council to consider.</p> <p>c. Monymusk group carried out local litter-pick activities recently with 25 bags of waste being collected. Sad to see that there continues to be a requirement to help keep our zones clean.</p> <p>d. Big lorries on Comers road speeding concerns – reminder to all, the Police are happy to follow up on reports fed through their 101 telephone number. Please give vehicle registration number with location and time details. This also helps target speeding detection areas for further deployment activities.</p>	Info.
10	Next Meeting date – 5th August 2021 7pm dependent on restrictions may be at Midmar Hall or Zoom meeting	Richard provisionally to book Midmar Hall.

Chairman’s Signature:

