

## NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minute of the 253<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council held in Newtonhill Primary School at 7.30pm on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011.

PRESENT – Mrs Nelson (Chair), Mrs Stephen, Mr Anderson, Mr Morgan, Mr Caie, Mr Hargreaves, Mr Watt, Mr Jury, Mrs Brown, Mrs Selway and Councillors Melling, Mollison and Nelson.

Mrs Nelson welcomed all present and thanked Mrs Brown for acting as secretary at the previous meeting.

1 APOLOGIES – None.

2 POLICE REPORT – No report and no police present.

3 MINUTE of 252<sup>nd</sup> MEETING - Proposed Mr Jury, seconded Mr Morgan.

4 MATTERS ARISING

(1)(4.1) Email from Mr Mollison re re-instatement of path between Muchalls and Newtonhill – Work will hopefully take place mid-November.

(2)(4.2) Making it Real for Cammachmore – The draft of Community Action Plan for Newtonhill has been reviewed and has now gone for editing and printing. No further developments re Planning for Real for Cammachmore. At this point Mr Morgan confirmed he is still pressing for a post box for Cairnhill. Post box in the vicinity of St Michael's Road has rusted and been replaced.

(3)(4.3) Christmas Night Out – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2011, 6.45 for 7pm, Marine Hotel, Stonehaven.

(4)(4.2) Councillor Nelson has checked the width of the road at Cammachmore. It is 5.5 metres wide which complies with regulations. There is no intention of replacing the white lines down the middle of the road at the moment. As a matter of interest there are no white lines down Newtonhill Road or Dunnyfell Road, Muchalls. "Sometimes no white lines, more care taken by drivers". Discussion followed on roads in general.

(5)(4.5) Zero Waste Tolerance – Mr Morgan reported on this meeting. Scotland's interpretation of Europe's Zero Waste Tolerance. City and Shire Strategic Plan - reduce, re-use, recycle.

Recycling - Councillor Melling reported that a planning application for a recycling centre at Badentoy, similar to the one at Redcloak, should shortly come before the Area Committee.

Mrs Nelson advised that Beannachar House will accept old tools and recycle them for use elsewhere.

(6) Mr Jury attended a meeting at the Bettridge Centre on Standards of Community Engagement. He found it very interesting and has handed over documents for circulating. The presenters would be quite happy to attend a Community Council meeting. To be considered once members have read relevant documents.

Article on Community Councils by Scott Begbie of the Evening Express was passed round.

(6)(8.4) Mr Morgan has written an article for the Newsey inviting anyone, especially younger members of the community to come along to Community Council meetings.

(7)(5) Mr Morgan has written to NHS Grampian re provision of Health Centre for the Elsie Development.

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(8) Mr Jury attended Newtonhill Village Association meeting - very busy. As usual firework display was held. Santa Run – plea for help with fixing Santa’s sleigh

5 ELSICK DEVELOPMENT – Nothing to report.

6 PLANNING –

- (a) Planning application for house at Walker Drive, Muchalls – still to come before Area Committee,
- (b) Proposal to erect telecommunication mast at St Ternan’s Church – originally no objections but Church has now withdrawn permission as details keep changing. Also resident nearby has raised an objection MR MORGAN to register our objections – removal of trees and damage to roots of adjacent trees, proximity to dwelling house, size of mast and impact on landscape,
- (c) Change of design to several house types and slight changes to road layout at West Monduff,
- (d) Aberdeenshire Council has been reminded that pedestrian crossing at top of Newtonhill Road should be in place prior to occupancy of houses at Cairnhill.
- (e) Several other minor applications,
- (f) Request by resident from East Cammachmore for support for an application to change from short lease to long lease when renting out a property – Felt it was not in our remit to intervene,
- (g) Main Issues Report – Mr Morgan commented on the report advising that any comments have to be registered by January 6<sup>th</sup> 2012. Discussion followed on several points including transport, planning gain, housing, broadband, zero waste tolerance, electricity distribution network. Report available on the web. Community Councillors to read and send any comments to Mr Morgan by 25<sup>th</sup> December 2011. He will also forward a list of 34 questions relating to the Main Issues Report that need to be answered.

7 - CORRESPONDENCE

- (1) Furniture@work catalogue.
- (2) Village Grant Scheme – RPA – Johnshaven, Inverbervie, St Cyrus and Gourdon.
- (3) Do we wish to nominate anything for an Aberdeenshire Design Award?
- (4) Tullo Wind Farm Fund application – Open to those in Laurencekirk area.
- (5) Mearns Community Transport circular bus route - not in our area.
- (6) Temporary traffic restrictions – A90 to Craigfern House – Monday 14h November 2011 for 3 days.
- (7) Safe Drive Stay Alive – Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2011.
- (8) Aberdeenshire Signposting Project is holding a training course on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2011.
- (9) Disclosure Scotland Training Course – 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011.
- (10) How to Win (more) Tenders and Influence People.
- (11) Grampian Fire and Rescue Service – Recruitment evenings in Inverbervie and Laurencekirk .
- (12) Institute of Groundsmen – Conference and Awards – 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011.
- (13) The British Trust for Conservation Volunteers has secured funding from the Lottery Heritage Trust to fund training course on a Community Drystone Walling Project.

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- (14) Free Training – National Standards of Community Engagement – Bettridge Centre, Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011, 7 – 8.30pm.
- (15) A new Kincardine and Mearns Community Safety Group is being set up – Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011 at 7pm, The Council Chambers, Viewmount, Stonehaven.
- (16) Critical Skills for Critical Times – Coaching.
- (17) List of CVS training opportunities.
- (18) Brian Taylor's Big Debate – Stonehaven Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2011, Stonehaven Town Hall.
- (19) Aberdeenshire Local Outdoor Access Forum - Access Development and Path Group Workshop – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2011.
- (20) Guide to Emergency Planning for Community Groups – [www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk](http://www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk)
- (21) Removal of Public Transport Infrastructure – New Bourtreebush, A90. Bus stop is to be removed on the grounds of safety.
- (22) There was a discussion regarding Community Council Schedules.
- (23) Transport Issues raised at Community Councils - Respond by Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2011.
- (24) Neurological Voices – Anyone want to be a patient representative? Passed to Mr Jury.
- (25) Kincardine and Mearns Area Committee Meeting of Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2011 – Nothing in our area.
- (26) Draft Minute of Community Council Forum Meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2011 – Circulate.
- (27) Agenda for Community Council Forum meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> November 2011.
- (28) October 2011 CVSA newsletter – Circulate.
- (29) Association of Scottish Community Councils online bulletin – Circulate.
- (30) Draft minute of KMAP meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011 – Circulate.
- (31) Aberdeenshire Council Budget Briefing Papers 1 and 2 – Circulate.
- (32) Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership – Community Planning Processes Update – Circulate.
- (33) Main Issues Report 2035 – Circulate.
- (34) The Department of Energy and Climate Change will not go ahead to the construction stage of the UK CCS demonstration competition one at Longannet – Circulate.

### 8 AOCB

- (1) Mr Watt commented it was a marvellous meeting.
- (2) 'Newtonhill Village Horizon Project' has received money from the Community Planning Group.
- (3) Mr Morgan enquired on behalf of a resident how a beach hut could be obtained. Are there any old ones which could be taken over? New one would require planning permission.
- (4) Road at East Cammachmore has been resurfaced. How long will it last?
- (5) Any advance on footpath between Cobbleboards and Downies? MR MOLLISON reported he has to contact Community Justice in early spring.
- (6) Mr Caie reported big traffic sign at the entrance to Cammachmore has been replaced by a smaller one.
- (7) Mr Caie enquired if anything could be done to stop snow ploughs blocking drive ways with snow. COUNCILLOR NELSON to see what can be done.

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- (8) Mrs Brown reported gulleys in Stranathro Terrace, Muchalls need clearing.
- (9) Mr Jury made enquiries re a piece of land with a caravan on it at East Cammachmore. Consensus of opinion was that the land is private.
- (10) Councillor Nelson reported that council houses in Windyedge Court and Newton Road are to be upgraded over the next three years.
- (11) Councillor Melling thanked Mr Morgan for speaking at the Reporters Meeting at the Bettridge Centre.
- (12) Mr Hargreaves thanked members for get well card received.
- (13) Complaints re mud on the road at Cairnhill. This has now been cleared up.
- (14) Someone has dumped metal at the top of cliffs at Skateraw Road. This has been reported.
- (15) Mr Anderson praised W M Donald and his workers on the work done in his area.

The 254<sup>th</sup> meeting will be held in Newtonhill Primary School at 7.30pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012.