

**Cockburnspath and Cove Community Council Meeting – 10th November 2021 at 7pm in
Cockburnspath Bowling Club and via Zoom**

Minutes

Agenda		Action
1	Attendance and Apologies: In attendance were P Hood (Chair); K Nelson (Treasurer); S Hay and R Laird (co-vice chairs); K Tulloch (Secy); J Virtue; J Fairbairn; M Given; N Simpson; L Smith Sheerin; S Kennedy; C Morrison; Cllr H Laing; Cllr C Hamilton in part; J Sutton (CDF); Apologies were received from Cllr J Fullarton and PC Boyd (Torness CNC)	
2	Minutes of Previous meeting were agreed as correct	
3	SBC Cllr update:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Co'path toilets will remain open until 31st Dec '21 and then reassessed. Current cleansing applies ii) Feedback on flashing speed signs – KT in dialogue with Officer iii) Sign for shop – Cllr Laing progressing with Officer iv) CC funds should CC cease – grant funds to be returned to SBC and held in abeyance but no clarification re W/F funds v) SUW – will be cut more regularly, staffing allowing – 4 x pa vi) SBC/SUW wardens inspecting waterfall area at Old Linhead vii) 6 grit boxes have been delivered – many thanks 	<p>KT</p> <p>Dec</p>
4	CC members:	
	KN :	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Chasing annual grant with SBC Officer ii) Payment received from Aikengall /CWP amounting to £32.5k which includes backlog of COVID funds held by Be Green. iii) Approx £280k in account at present but some is ring fenced. 	<p>Dec</p>
	SH:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Spoke to caretaker report ii) Fencing of playpark hopefully next week iii) Fencing of football pitch over winter (if agreed – see below) iv) Flower tub maintenance/replacement if people will maintain v) Resurfacing Hoprig Road week beginning 22nd Nov for 5 days (open overnight) School aware. vi) Signpost over Dean by School to be replaced by SH – agreed 	
	Funding application for £2000 (circulated) to replace fencing around football field and addition of 2 gates was agreed after some discussion. If VHC wish further gates, they can add funds for this if they wish. Agreed unanimously, to come from Crystal Rig funds.	<p>KN</p>
	NS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Sea braes component of SUW slipping and concerns for safety – need to consider re-route. Cllr HL will take forward with Officer. May be issues over farmers subsidised land however. NS wondered about something like compulsory purchase and reassignment of land? ii) Allotments doing well. Network Rail work has commenced. 	<p>Cllr HL</p>
	RL:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Has emailed Old Luce CC for zoom meeting regarding their experiences with Foundation Scotland managing their wind farm grants. Date to be confirmed. 	<p>RL/all</p>

	<p>ii) Shop update – merchandising sub group started – now looking at Christmas stock – suggestion box in shop.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 4 people passed elementary food hygiene – shop to start doing soup and filled rolls. - Delivery service for those most vulnerable over winter months is starting - 4 volunteers have joined shop team in Nov but always looking for more. 	
	<p>JS:</p> <p>i) CDF report circulated. Last kiosk in hall was today for non internet users to engage. JV was thanked for her consistent input.</p> <p>ii) Starting to look at analysing data now and hope to have CAP by Christmas.</p> <p>iii) Village Hall floor under investigation.</p>	
	<p>PH:</p> <p>i) Clarified local reps for CC although everyone had joint responsibility for the whole community.</p> <p>ii) Reps are as follows: LSS – Tollview; NS/KN Cove and Castledykes; JV Callander Place; SH Hoprig Park area; JF Burnside to Square; RL – Fulfordlees, Ecclaw, to Neuk; SK – Hoprig and Hoprigshiels area; PH outlying; MG (with PH) New Cove and cottages; JS Dowlaw and Headchesters, and also liaison with Old Cambus, Redheugh, E and W Mains and Townhead (MoP will continue leaflet delivery however).</p> <p>iii) Re Foundation Scotland and management of wind farm monies – KN and PH have had mtg and plan to give details to FS soon to enable them to come up with appropriate plan and costs for such a service. NS asked if other groups could provide similar service and JS suggested DTAS and BAVS. PH said she would ask FS whether any due diligence examples from the Drone Hill panel could be shared with the CC.</p> <p>iv) PH asked if JS is willing to continue with Area Partnership – yes.</p> <p>v) PH had attended a talk about “Dunglass Harbour” known locally as Cove Harbour, given by harbourmaster at Berwickshire Naturalists. Some discussion about end of SUW being at harbour – it is in Square at Co’path.</p> <p>vi) Secretary duties – SK will take over monthly/weekly monitoring of planning portal. KT will continue with planning responses/advice.</p> <p>vii) PH will ask member of public if Rotary is doing Christmas Santa visit this year. CM etc are happy to do as last year if not.</p>	<p>KN/PH</p> <p>PH</p> <p>JS</p> <p>SK</p> <p>Dec</p>
	<p>RL:</p> <p>i) Is there a desire for a Hogmanay party ? Agreed hall may be out of action due to floor repairs, so if this is to go ahead, it’ll be a loose local arrangement.</p>	<p>KT</p>
5	Members of the Public concerns – all covered above.	
6	Police Reports – none received. KT to chase.	KT
7	Matters Arising – all covered above	

8	Correspondence – all dealt with above	
9	Planning 21/01624/FUL – removal of fuel ash from Neuk farm and reinstatement as agricultural land. No objections but agreed that traffic should not come through village and dust should be monitored as per planning application. KT will respond.	KT
10	AOB JS spoke about proposals and questionnaires (in shop and on line) re turning the old surgery at Coldingham into a Wellness Centre. Reassured everyone that this would be open to all, not just EMP patients. Comparisons to Brechin near Montrose – Cllr Laing will investigate what is on offer there and how successful it is. Encourage all to complete on line or paper questionnaire and feed in to this proposal There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of Cockburnspath and Cove Community Council will be held on Wednesday 8th December at 7pm Venue to be confirmed. Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend meetings of their Community Council in full or in part.	Cllr HL All