

## Lumphanan Community Council

## Minutes of Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> May 2013

Meetings held monthly on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 19:30 in the Kitchen of the village hall

| 1 | Meeting Opened: 19:30hrs   | Assig             |
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| ı | Declarations of Interest: None   | Assig<br>Initials |
| 2 | Present: Ian Nicol (IN), Jim Sugden (JS), Irene Thomson (IT), Jane Jeffries (JJ), Claudia van Zuiden (CvZ), Kenny Bain (KB). Cllr. Peter Argyle (PA), Cllr. Geva Blackett (GB)   |                   |
|   | Speaker: Mike Powell (MP)  |                   |
|   | Members of Public: Henry Wright (HW)   |                   |
|   | Apologies: Cllr. Katrina Farquhar (KF), Brian Cruickshank (BC), Denise May (DM), Stephen Danton (SD) Alex Davie (AD)   |                   |
|   | Absent:  |                   |
|   | Police presence: Pinnell & Cardno  |                   |
| 3 | Police update: 1 Alarm Activation, 2 Incidents at Macbeth Arms, 1 reported Theft by Housebreaking – Garage. Black Audi/Passat Estate car suspicious. Mainly opportunists seeking out easy targets who leave vehicle keys within easy reach and doors unlocked or open. A suspicious van was reported but turned out to be nothing. Speeding crackdown succeeded in stopping someone with no insurance. New national non-emergency number now 101, emergency number still 999. New national police website.  www.scotland.police.uk. There are links back to local areas. Mike Whyte is now Local Full-time Wildlife Officer. |                   |
|   | Comment: Police service through 101 is working well and local users to-date are well impressed.  |                   |
|   | Immediate Police Advice: LOCK ALL DOORS & WINDOWS  |                   |
| 4 | <u>Chairs Invitation:</u> No Members of Public offering to Join LCC, No Issues Raised.   |                   |
| 5 | Speakers Corner: Welcomed Mr. Mike Powell of Aboyne to speak about Marr Area Partnership, Community Action Plans, and the help that he can offer the community in building and maintaining an action plan for Lumphanan. LCC to invite other members of the community committees to discuss an action plan and form a steering group in very near future.  Suggested Steering Group – CvZ, JS, IN  |                   |
| 6 | Approval of Draft Minutes of Previous Meeting : Minutes were not approved or seconded due to time constraints.   |                   |
| 7 | Treasurer's report: Current Balance: £1287.71 Honoraria to be paid: ? – Steve Danton to receive an award for all the years of hard work  |                   |
| 8 | 8.1 David Riach Memorial Bench: Ongoing – With Dougie Reid for Refurbishment.  | JS                |
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| 8.2 Redundant Street Lighting & Speed Limits on Village Approaches: Redundant lights removed and national speed limit policy currently under review. Ongoing   |          |
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| 8.3 Dead Trees at Sewage Works: IT looking up past dealings / planning apps / CC Minutes to pin down actual decisions and conditions. <i>Ongoing</i>   | IT       |
| 8.4 Trees and Excessive Winter Frost at Satans Den: Ownership of woodland still unclear. AD attempting to learn ownership. <i>Ongoing</i>  | AD       |
| 8.5 Flooding Issue –Old Railway Bridge (U31M): Email received stating that a full repair will be carried out on the drainage system and road surface during summer/ better weather. Ongoing  | GB       |
| <b>8.6 New "MacBeth Country" Tourist Signage:</b> Proposal and Plan to be drawn up by IN in order for discussions to take place with council. <i>Ongoing</i>   | IN       |
| <b>8.7* Road Surface Conditions:</b> The issue of road surface conditions was raised with PA by JS. The size and number of Potholes and complete lack of visible white lines defining junctions etc. PA assured JS and the council that there was already a plan to make temporary repairs to the potholes and re-mark the road junctions, but better weather was required before a full and final repair could be attempted on the roads. | PA<br>JS |
| 8.8* Tap leaking in Cemetery: The issue of a leaking tap in the cemetery was added to new business and will be looked at next meeting.   |          |
| *= New Business  |          |

## 9 <u>Noteworthy Email Correspondence:</u>

Usual round of email list peddlers, Playground marketing companies, and crooked purveyors of overly expensive conferences determined to keep the common man where they feel he rightfully belongs... out of mainstream politics.

## Noteworthy Postal Correspondence: None All reviewed correspondence available on www.lumphananvillage.com Planning Applications: No Issues with the months Planning Applications Building Warrant Applications: No Issues with the months Building Warrants AOB: Comply now open but rough going. All Date of next meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> June 2013 Meeting Closed: 21:30hrs All