

MINUTES OF PLOCKTON AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING 14.04.2022

PRESENT : PETER MACKENZIE, IAN HAY, EOIN CAMERON, FIONA MACKENZIE, BIZ CAMPBELL(COUNCILLOR), JOHANNA MACLEAN (CLERK). 3 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.

APOLOGIES : JAMES KRISP, CAT CAMP.

1.ELECTION OF NEW CHAIRPERSON AND SECRETARY. – Councillor Biz Campbell took the chair. Chairperson -PETER MACKENZIE was proposed by Fiona Mackenzie and seconded by Ian Hay. James Krisp remains as Vice Chair. Peter Mackenzie agreed to take on the role of Secretary.

2. The new Chairperson, Peter Mackenzie took chair of the rest of the meeting. .Thanks extended to Biz Campbell for chairing the meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING – An amendment to last minutes – To clarify that no EV stations are being proposed for Coral beach carpark. Proposal for co opting another member. Minutes proposed by IH and seconded by FMK.

3. PARKING - Traffic order being prepared for double yellow lines to replace Keep Clear spaces on Harbour Street. It is hoped they will be in place before Easter. Charging Machine – Invitation to pay – to be installed in the next couple of months at the car park. Plockton Primary School – Traffic order being prepared. Some concerns about traffic being pushed up the hill. IH to action.

FMK suggested possibility of using High School for parking in the summer.

Carpark extension – IH has circulated initial plans to relevant parties and hopes to have a meeting soon. Member of public (AT) advised that HC's A Bone had said there was to be only two motorhome bays at the parking area at the airstrip. PM read out the correct HC proposal from S Manning. Biz Campbell to follow up about signage replacement .

4. HOUSING – SLHA Proposal of Housing at Shinty Pitch. A meeting has been held with PDCC, PDDT, Crofters and Iain Maciver from LSHA present. Iain Maciver to do a Feasibility study and will report back. CC would like to point out that there is no cut off date for feedback for this proposal. Biz Campbell suggested CC get in touch with Sheildaig CC re their method for social housing.

5. FUTURE FUNDING – Biz Campbell said applications can be made to the Discretionary Fund after 1st April.

6. AOB – Dangerous gap at end of the wall alongside the road below the High School east of path to Duncraig - This has been passed to HC twice but still no action to repair fence or tape off and make safe. Biz asked for photo and details to be passed to her – IH to action.

Dangerous trees on Bank street near “Harbours” shed - IH has passed to HC to check out and action.

PM discussed clearing bank above car park/ below Bank street - Biz suggested CC apply to Discretionary fund. Member of public AT suggested CC needs to contact NT and Crofting Common Grazing for permission first.

Despite requests there has been no update on the outstanding roads issues from HC- IH to try again for next meeting. Additional works required following recent accident damage to Duirinish bridge, Duirinish Station road and the need for whins from Achnandarach road to top of Strathy to be cut back to improve visibility of passing place signage –IH to action.

Long overdue signage – BC to action.

Campervan Signage – IH to action.

Temporary Traffic Calming Trial Harbour Street – IH to action.

Defibrillators – Biz Campbell to email Susan Galloway, PHS, re the maintenance of the defibrillator at the High School. Achnandarach Community are proposing getting one for their area, which would bring the total number to 5 in the PDCC area. PMK proposed setting up a maintenance rota, following the failure of one of them recently. It was also proposed that a map of where they all are be drawn up and posted by each defibrillator . FMK to action this.

Discharge of sewage at Rhu – CC to write to SEPA on this matter. PMK to action.

Alex Townend told the meeting he would no longer be using electric fences around the village for his cows, as he was introducing a new system for his cows called NO FENCE COLLARS. A risk assessment will be carried out and the HSE informed.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 14 MARCH 2022 @ 7.30PM.