



## Torphins Community Council

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Meeting Minutes Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2024 at 7:30 pm Learney Hall, Torphins		
Item No.	Description	Owner
1.	<p><b>Present:</b> Peter Argyle (PA) (Chair); Andrew Brazier (AB); Eric Day (ED); Iain Firth (IF); John Lucas (JL); Will Maclean (WM); Colin Rouse (CR);</p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b> Cllr Anouk Kloppert (Cllr AK); Richard Orren</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Andrew Macpherson (AM); Stephen Salter (SS)</p> <p>Cllr. Geva Blackett (GB); Cllr Sarah Brown (Cllr SB)</p> <p>Richard Orren was welcomed to the meeting, which he is attending as he wishes to assist with the development Torphins Local Place Plan.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Intimation of noted interests:</b></p> <p>WM expressed interest in issue 2402 Learney Burn and Bridge</p>	
3.	<p><b>Confirm adoption of minutes of meeting 3 October 2024 previously by email:</b></p> <p>Adopted as proposed by email without changes.</p> <p>Proposed: Eric Day Seconded: John Lucas</p>	TCC
4.	<p><b>Police Report:</b></p> <p>No Police Report received since Q1. Next due will be Q3 to 30 September 2024.</p>	PS
5.	<p><b>Finance Report:</b></p> <p>The August balance is £9,721.29 with TCC general funds £821.29, Christmas Lights £108.45, Hardship Fund £221.81; and TORCH balance £8,569.96. There was no movement on TCC general funds, while £401.60 was expended from the Christmas Lights fund for new tree lights, neoprene for lamp post fixtures, and PAT testing of equipment. The Hardship fund paid £130.89 for pantry supplies. TORCH purchased generator container vents, hygiene labeling and a thermometer, all costing £363.74.</p>	ED
6.	<p><b>Planning Report:</b></p> <p>Several recent applications have been approved with no concerns.</p>	ED
7.	<p><b>New and Focus Items:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <p><b>Local Place Plan (LPP):</b></p> <p>PA introduced the subject with a reminder we have scheduled a dedicated meeting for the LPP on 10<sup>th</sup> October at Learney Hall at 7:30pm. PA has circulated a draft LPP document for review and comments as a sound foundation to develop further detail leading to community consultation. WM has circulated a draft proposed detail section on path development in the village and surrounds on behalf of Torphins Paths Group.</p> <p>Richard Orren introduced his interest to assist in the development of the Torphins LPP, having gained experience as a member of Deeside Climate Action Network representative working on the Banchory LPP. The LPP is an opportunity to improve of bio-diversity and resilience through appropriate initiatives.</p> <p>We agreed to schedule, subject to availability, another meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> October.</p> </li> </ul>	PA

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8.	<p><b>Open Action Log:</b> The Open Action Log is an appendix integral to the minutes of meeting. All items were reviewed and updated as detailed in the log, which is available online with the minutes at <a href="http://www.torphins.net">www.torphins.net</a> .</p>	TCC
9.	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All correspondence received has been distributed by email to all members. Items of particular interest include the regular MAP newsletters; the details of community council induction and training sessions; and the AHSCP community face-to-face engagement sessions regarding development of the Strategic Plan 2025 onwards.</li> </ul> <p>On 3 October an email was received from the Aberdeenshire Greenspace Team promoting Mini Community Orchards for which applications are encouraged. 60 projects across Aberdeenshire are hoped to be support with planting on AC owned or community owned land. Applications by 31 October by Google Form at: <a href="https://forms.gle/ZrkHMEYCWJy3whhw8">https://forms.gle/ZrkHMEYCWJy3whhw8</a>,</p>	WM
10.	<p><b>AOCB:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CR requested if there is any progress with the replacement of the zip wire at the park. Per Cllr SB report the zip wire has been disabled for safety reasons due to a concern with the particular brand of equipment. Hope to resolve soon.</li> <li>CR again raised the matter of the pavilion roof, which requires repair. This has been outstanding for many months.</li> <li>JL reported the bin in the park missing the metal insert for several weeks. Since Cllr AK had to leave by this time JL subsequently wrote to her requesting replacement. Cllr AK is following up to get the replacement.</li> <li>ED requested we fix the date for Carols Around the Christmas Tree It was agreed to hold the event on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024.</li> <li>ED advised Christmas Lights will be installed on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and dismantled on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2025, the earlier start date being due to availability of volunteer high lift.</li> </ul>	<p>CR</p> <p>CR</p> <p>JL</p> <p>Cllr AK</p> <p>ED</p> <p>ED</p>
11.	<p><b>Next ordinary meeting:</b> Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7:30 pm, Learney Hall, Torphins <b>LPP Meetings:</b> Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October (C) and Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October (TBC) at 7:30 pm at Learney Hall, Torphins.</p>	
12.	<p><b>Meeting closed at 8:45 pm</b></p>	
	<p><b>Adoption of Minutes:</b> These minutes were circulated by email to all TCC members on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2024 and adopted by email as an accurate record of the meeting. Adoption will be confirmed at the meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Proposed: Eric Day                      Seconded: John Lucas</p>	