



Torphins Community Council

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Meeting Minutes Thursday 1 st June 2023 at 8:30 pm Learney Hall, Torphins.		
Item No.	Description	Owner
1.	Present: Peter Argyle (PA) (Chair); Andrew Brazier (AB); John Lucas (JL); Colin Rouse (CR); Stephen Salter (SS); Eric Day (ED); Andrew Macpherson (AM); In Attendance: Cllr Sarah Brown (SB) Apologies: Will Maclean (WM); Iain Firth (IF); Liz Moore (LM); Rev Holly Smith (HS); Cllr. Geva Blackett (GB); Cllr Anouk Kloppert (AK);	
2.	Intimation of noted interests: None.	
3.	Confirm adoption of minutes of meeting 4th May previously by email: Adopted as proposed without changes. Proposed Colin Rouse. Seconded: Stephen Salter.	TCC
4.	Police Report: Next report due to be provided in July.	PS
5.	Finance Report: The bank balance is £13,045.48, being TCC funds £1,014.63 (£700 donation from Bread of Life reserved for Christmas lights), Hardship Fund £1,835.00 and TORCH funds £10,195.85.	ED
6.	Planning Report: APP/2023/1024: 4 Old Mart Road Torphins. Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse. Awaiting decision APP/2022/2229: West Lodge Craigmyle. Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse. Withdrawn.	ED
7.	New Items: Flower Tubs. Flowers are due for delivery soon. ED has checked the tubs and four are close to be needing replacement or repair. The options are to buy new or refurbished tubs or repair the existing ones. ED to investigate the possibility of obtaining replacement hoops for repairs. New tubs would cost approx. £60ea.	ED
9.	Open Action Log: Review and update progress on open action items. See Open Action Log attached.	All
10.	Correspondence: A very large volume of correspondence received has been distributed by email. The following was discussed. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Place Plan. This was felt to be rather nebulous and it is unclear what TCC's contribution should be. See also Action Item 2304. 	WM Distributed by email.
11.	A.O.C.B.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A resident complained about the hedge at the exit of the village on the road to Sundayswells encroaching onto the footpath (photos were provided). Cllr SB to follow up. Grass paths in playpark from the football pitch area to the gate exiting to Innermarkie Wynd. It appears that the AC Green Spaces agreed to keep these cut but are not doing so. Cllr SB to follow up. Stephen Salter proposed some adult scale outdoor gym equipment be 	SB SB SS



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	<p>installed in the park similar to that installed in the Ballater caravan park, perhaps to include a boules pitch. The space required should be fairly small, however, costs will be the deciding factor. SS to investigate further.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colin Rouse raised the subject of National Outcomes (Scottish Govt initiative). Response for which was required by 5th June. PA felt this was beyond the scope of TCCs remit. • Eric Day advised that the Chevron warning sign at the West end of Grampian Terrace (Innermarkie Wynd end) was bent and in need of repair. Cllr SB to follow up. • Andrew Brazier advised that Broadway Broadband had just gone into liquidation with the installation works at best being put on hold and at worst being cancelled. The liquidators are endeavouring to find a buyer at present, but the prospects are not promising. Starlink was mentioned as an option for more remote rural areas. • Andrew McPherson advised Mid Deeside Church will act as a log bank. • Andrew McPherson noted that Aboyne swimming pool was now open again but with a reduced timetable for early morning adult sessions which have been reduced to one day per week. Cllr SB advised there were staffing issues but was not aware of any changes. Cllr SB to follow up. • Cllr Sarah Brown advised that Will Maclean had enquired about the resurfacing works on Craigmyle Road and Woodside Road as to whether they were complete. SB advised they were part of a rolling programme of repairs carried out on a "dynamic priorities" basis and further works were dependant on other repair works arising but would be completed at some point. 	<p>SB</p> <p>SB</p>
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