

Torryburn and Newmills Community Council

Minutes of meeting held in the Crown, Newmills on Monday April 11, 2016.

Present: John Emery-Barker, Susan Donald, Stephanie Blackden, Robert Dennis, Linda Facey, Marjory McVicars, Grace Watters.

Apologies: Jillian Mellis, Bunty Watson, Marry Emery-Barker, Heather Dennis, Cllr Kate Stewart, John Duffy.

Minutes of previous meeting proposed by Stephanie Blackden, seconded by Robert Dennis.

MATTERS ARISING:

SCHOOL: We need to ask for the speed limit to be changed to 20mph.

ROAD – John EB said it is private so up to owners and those who access it t along with Wemyss to get estimate of cost to repair before Council consider adopting it.

John EB and Susan D meet to discuss letter to Council.

Susan D to telephone Wemyss Estate.

SD to contact school and make sure photos are sent to Wemyss.

JEB upset Scott Blyth has not managed to organise speed survey despite being asked last year. JEB to contact again.

SIGN: JEB had no time. Alice O'Callaghan not in touch.

OLD BRIDGE: JEB got email from Kate Stewart Info from Douglas Spiers May 2015 note that Bridge dangerous and to be shut, since Council don't own, can do no more. Savills claim Wemyss don't own but Stephanie B said if Bridge touches the Bank then they ARE liable.

Stephanie B spoke to John le Marais Looks like bridge may have been built in 1206 same stone as Culross Abbey – and original part of Bridge may still be sound, what was added on to widen it in 18th C is not. Ian Headrick would know if it was part of Pilgrims Trail. ACTION: Write to Heritage Lottery Fund.

ASH LAGOON LIAISON COMMITTEE – Robert Dennis reported that meeting showed Ash lagoons to be filled in and landscaped, one left flooded for wildlife. Scottish Govt not giving money for economic plan even though gave millions when Tullos Russell closed causing – anger.

JEB said Scottish Power has not gone bust so why should govt pay?

COMMUNITY GARDEN: Meeting to decide whether to merge with Torryburn Development Trust – it needs grants and people and community payback to turn it into a nice garden,

Tools - donated by council at a cost of £118.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MEETING: Police should be there. School know who vandalised the nursery.

FINANCE: £1,121.68

SPEEDING: We want a 20mph limit. Let us write to Councillor, MP, MSP, unhappy that nothing would not stop families with 4x4 cars.

COUNCILLOR REPORT: DELIVERED BY ROBERT DENNIS:

Kate Stewart said Crombie got £12,000 from Tesco to improve the village. JEB asked RD to ask Her about speeding and school catchment area.

War memorials Council want to document them all to protect them. RD should speak to John Duffy

SB said they're with Mary and David Richards who are happy for them to go into Torryburn Hall.

AOB:

TORRYBURN COMMUNITY HALL. Jeanette wants shrubs cut down so that the outside windows can be painted. PARKS Dept or COMMUNITY PAYBACK (WHO IS DOING THIS??)

TORRYBURN JEAN:

Interesting story about bust painted in 1920's at home here, home demolished, taken to Canada by Naval people and put on cairn in Nova Scotia facing Scotland. He brought her back in 1993, ended up in John Brown's garden, He died recently, family happy for us to move her. ACTION Put her up on NESS, find expert to clean first.

WALL AT SEA: Robert D reported that a chunk has fallen out of wall and the metal guard has gone next to estuary where Torryburn flows into sea. Health and safety problem.

Next Meeting Monday May 9 in Crown, Newmills at 1900.

AGENDA:

Apologies

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Matters arising

Finance

Police

SPEEDING/School road

Councillor Report

Old Bridge

Torryburn Jean

Correspondence

Planning

AOB

Date of next meeting