

# Torryburn and Newmills Community Council

Minutes of meeting held in Crown, Newmills on Monday December 12, 2016.

Present: Robert Dennis (Chair), Heather Dennis, Susan Donald, John Emery-Barker, Mary Emery-Barker, Jill Mellis ( Head Teacher), Dennis Marshall, Lucia Marshall. Later, Stephanie Blackden.

Apologies: Councillor Alice O'Callaghan, John Duffy. Jemma Black, Kate Stewart.

Minutes of previous meeting proposed by Heather Dennis, seconded by Mary Emery-Barker

## MATTERS ARISING:

**SPEEDING:** Cllr Kate Stewart has NOT had a meeting with Douglas Chapman MP about the matter at the School, despite Mr Chapman saying so.

Ian Jones wrote to Kate Stewart saying he is going to cost bringing the road outside the School up to standard before adopting it, which will probably come out of the education budget. (need to get a copy of that).

Changing speed limit to 20mph is in the 2017 budget.

**WAR MEMORIALS:** Cllr Stewart to get in touch with the Council to cancel the costing for putting them into the Torryburn Institute since they will be going into the School.

**FACEBOOK PAGE:** Done and has 70 followers.

**POLICE REPORT:** Oct 27-Dec1. 13 recorded crimes, Six other calls.

SD reported that one was hers: a complaint about verbal abuse from MacCallum Buiders of Oakley working for downstairs neighbour, who continually blocked her access to her garage. JM Head Teacher reported that there had been a problem outside the School with the Company's lorries, trying to get the School bus in for kids going to Kincardine and for her to get her car out. She had blocked them in once and when they asked for her to remove her car, were told to wait until she had finished.

**SPEEDING:** Must be reduction of speed limit from 60 to 20mph from Newmills Bluther Burn on one side and Adia Road on the other.

**POTHLES:** Oakum Bay. MEB reported that they were last repaired when sea wall done. Need to be repaired again.

**FINANCE:** MEB reported £1695.63.

**GARDEN:** Has not applied for Floral Enhancement Grant – always left to John EB to water them, carting water around both villages. No other volunteers, so not prepared to do it any more. Council will support the community garden and the School.

**PLANTERS** – if our Council fund them, she will get the schoolkids involved to work together with adults and put plants outside Torryburn Institute.

RD suggested asking for volunteers on Facebook page. AGREED.

COALFIELDS REGENERATION TRUST: We are not in it. RD met Gary Porter, who could help. Asked SD to invite him to meeting on Feb 13. JD had sent questionnaire to all of us to be filled in in a bid for funding etc which would help us bid to be part just before meeting.

AOB:

RD and MEB reported on meeting of Ash Lagoon Committee. Decommissioning of staff and equipment continues and Dennis M had idea of solar farm - .

RD rat infestation in two or three houses in Torryburn. Being investigated.

Next meeting January 9 2017 at 1900.

## AGENDA:

Apologies

Approval of Minutes of previous meeting

Matters arising

Police

SPEEDING

ROADS: School road and Oakum Bay

Councillor Report

War Memorial

Correspondence – renewal of council's insurance,

Planning

AOB

Date of next meeting