

POINT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Ordinary Meeting held on 14th September 2020 via Google Meet

Present: Alex John Murray (Chair); Kenneth MacLennan, Angus Lamont; Joanne Dixon; Donald Macritchie; Rhona Somerville (Clerk).

Apologies: Cllr Alastair Macleod; Cllr Finlay Stewart; Norman Macleod.

Declarations of Interest - None

Amended minute of meeting 22 /6/20 - This was adopted

Minute of Previous meeting 25/ 6/20 – This was also adopted

Minute of meeting 27/7/20 – This was adopted as well with request that it be noted here that the application that had been made for Crown Estate funding has not been granted nor even acknowledged.

Future resilience planning – With regard to an e-mail from the Comhairle, there are possibilities that things could be done with regard to this. Ken has circulated a pro forma for a plan the Community Council could formulate for themselves. Suggested that issues on the Braigh be considered inventively, perhaps involving the UHI students as well as the Comhairle? It was agreed that the creation of a federation of community councils would be constructive in terms of information sharing and effectiveness.

Planning Applications - None of note.

Point Youth Club – Has not been operational in recent months and as a result had not banked the £200 funding cheque previously granted. Request for re-issue of same plus, perhaps, additional funding may be agreed to when the club's activities resume and they provide details of proposed expenditure.

AOCB:

RE Playparks – PCC presently holding £8.5k funding for playparks which can be paid out at any time to a bona fide group. Correspondence between Alex John Murray and Erica Clark (circulated) discussed which groups are involved in which playparks, with some doubt over ownership of and responsibility for one or more.

Re: Proposed safe pedestrian & cycle areas coming out of lockdown – original flyer/document unavailable but there had been some suggestion that there may be funds for facilitating safety for pedestrians and cyclists. PCC will ask the Comhairle about this.

Re: A suggesting that the bench at Tiumpian Head be renovated for use by bird /whale watchers - Perhaps the Coastal Path, and walkers group could use it as a resting place too

Re: Communication from Urras Eachdraidh an Rubha about lack of space in their room to store old minutes of Community Council - PCC will look at alternative arrangements.

Re: Hoisting of Merchant Navy Flag on Friday 3rd Sept. 2020 – Red ensign was raised at Point Football Club in honour of Merchant Navy Day.

Re: Litter discarded in Point - It was agreed that PCC will invite representatives from those areas affected, via Facebook, to an online meeting of PCC to discuss what steps can be taken about this and any other issues e.g. speed limits. We will also ask Technical Services to carry out a detailed survey of the traffic on Point.

Next Meeting: 26th October 2020.