



**Comrie Community Council**  
**Minutes of the meeting - Zoom - 7.00pm**  
**9th Dec 2021**

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**Attendance :** Gillian Brock (Chair), Scott Broadly (Vice Chair), Kirsty Stewart (Secretary), John Greer (Treasurer), Cllr Donaldson, Andrew Scobie, Lindsay Brown,

**Apologies :** Judi Cowie (Minute Secretary) Councillor Brock, Councillor McColl, Lorna Ramsey, Teri Bacon, Sheena Lucas, Sandra McRitchie

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**Gillian opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.**

**1. Apologies**

Judi Cowie, Councillor McColl, Councillor Brock, Terri Bacon, Sheena Lucas, Lorna Ramsey, Sandra McRitchie

**2. Previous Minutes**

- a) Matters arising – none
- b) Pervious minutes were accepted and seconded

**3. Police report**

Nothing to report. Gillian raised concerns that we had received no Police reports for months and it was agreed that it is vital we should be kept informed as there has been crime in the village. Councillor Donaldson will investigate this. Kirsty felt that the more we know about what is happening in the village, the more we can be a portal of information for the Community. And that with this knowledge comes insight & knowledge for the people of Comrie to allow increased vigilance and precautions to be taken.

**4. Relevant planning applications**

Nothing relevant

**5. Treasurer's report.**

John had reported that the Christmas Lights Committee wished for the CC to hold on to their money. They had made around £1000 at their Fayre which he will bank in December. He has also transferred £250 to the admin acc to keep us out to the red. The Legion Park money we held has been transferred to the Friends of the Legion Park.

## 6. Secretary's relevant correspondence and updates.

Sandra had received an email from Forde Estate wishing to help the village .The Hay ride was an option but as Forde based on hills so decided this was not a plan, that said, they totally wish to support the village anyway they can. Great

## 7. Road Matters

It was asked again about the disabled bay.

It was asked again about the hole at Abruchill.

At this point it was asked about some kind of crossing on Dalginross for the residents of Dalginross Gardens.

At this point it was also asked for an on-site meeting to discuss the South Crieff Rd/Braco Rd and the junction at the top of Dalginross.

The recent storm has hampered things ...

A resident has asked for a salt bin on Dinnies Lane, Gillian has been advised to speak to Bear.

A resident has also complained about a car/4x4 on bricks in Queens rd which doesn't appear to have an MOT, Gillian will speak to Rhona about this.

Gillian will also speak with Rhona regarding who to contact at the PO about getting a post box nearer Dalginross and especially around the Sheltered accommodation. Lindsay was concerned about the number of leaves on pavement and roads, Gillian had noticed this at the west end of the village too and again in the gulleys causing flooding at the school. Gillian will report this.

### BEAR

Asked bear about an on-site meeting to discuss the speed entering and exiting Comrie

The leaves at the west end of the village will be reported to Bear as it's the A85

Requested 20mph limits throughout the whole village.

Also asked about the repair to the bridge entering Comrie form the east side, people still going over to the other side to avoid the breakup of the road.

Asked again about the wildlife signage around Dunira, Andrew is also concerned about the speed especially with the number of red squirrels being killed.

## 8. Twinning

Calendars were selling well , Gillian suggested we use what is left and distribute to other outlets in the village, Gillian said she would see to this.

Scott said they had opened the account.

Councillor Donaldson asked when we planned an exchange, but this is all Covid dependent.

Scott hoped for 2023, he also suggested we take the Canadians on their exchange to Inerpeffrey Library, they hold many Strathearn records and of much interest. The Canadians wish to take Comrie residents to Montreal University.

## 9. **Web Page**

Sandra was delighted that Lindsay has stepped up to help with this, she will continue to do the invoicing. Lindsay feels information should be more accessible and would like to use the Web page as a beacon of information. They have agreed to work together to make sure information was passed between both.

Communication is everyone's main concern and to get the village united again after COVID. Lindsay also felt that we should use @comrie.org.uk email accounts. This was agreed and we also agreed that the notice boards need attending to as it is for information purposes not advertising.

Radio Earn was also suggested.

Lindsay to try and get an article in the Herald to publicise the website page and will start updating the website to clean it up to make information stand out.

## 10. **Legion Park**

Terri had advised before the meeting she had received the money the CCC had held.

## 11. **Junior CC**

Scott confirmed new regulations had been introduced and we can't include ph6 postcode. Terri had suggested to Gillian we contact Comrie Primary as they have a Junior Committee, and they could communicate with the CC. Gillian will contact Comrie Primary School. Lindsay also wishes to post on the Comrie .org page an advert and an article in the Strathearn Herald.

## 12. **Library**

The library is now up and running and everyone agreed this was great. Lorna has been in talks with PKC as to other ways to utilise the library, CAB was suggested but as the library sells goods, the key holder must be there so not a private venue. Other options are available.

Scott is passionate about getting books for the children in Comrie with Dyslexia and they are many other avenues to help. One being books specialising in that field and also there are gel coloured sheets that you place on reading material which helps people with dyslexia.

Stewart to look into funding for these.

Lorna hoping to start Friends of the Comrie Library.

Lindsay confirmed the Bookbug club wouldn't be starting anytime soon due to Covid.

Stewart is having a meeting regarding rural libraries and the work Lorna has done has given Comrie a very strong case.

Scott had heard from Peter McNaughton, he wishes to gift poetry books so was put forward they could be sold in the library

### **13. Resignation of post ..**

With Kirsty sadly leaving us, Andrew has agreed to take on the role of secretary , this was proposed by Gillian and seconded by Scott.

## **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

It was agreed that the Legion Park and the Twinning would take over the monies held being held by the CC.

Scott suggested midnight football, this was welcomed by Kirsty, as an ex-Police Officer she said it help with reduction in crime. Laggan Park a suggested area. Scott also informed us the Men's shed was open on a Wednesday evening between 7pm -9pm. The Network Hub will be open to anyone for a cup of tea/ games /company. Travel is an issue and the suggestion of using the Co Co bus was suggested. Andrew said it would help with mental health which is a huge problem even in Comrie.

Kirsty also felt we should put together a poster with numbers for people suffering from mental health. She felt not everyone wants to talk about it, but if we have at least numbers they can call , then it is some way we could help.

Andrew still working behind the scenes regarding historical buildings and will pass on information when he has gathered all information.

Lindsay just wished to reiterate the importance of the Web page and hope Committees like the CDT etc would give us a monthly update so we can share on the page.

Letters of thanks to the CC for our contribution to the PFA for the firework display , another letter to the Laggan Park which Gillian has distributed via email to that Committee.

Gillian thanked the Handy Shop for all they have done for the village regarding deliveries to the elderly and of course handed in their gift of chocolates to the staff for the CC for closing the toilets, which is very much appreciated.

Gillian congratulated all involved in getting the iconic Cancer Shop back up and running, John, Margaret, Evelyn etc. It has been sorely missed.

Gillian also thanked the village for stepping up once again during the recent storm.

Gillian also proposed that some sort of recognition should be put in place for Gordon, which the Community Council should pay for. He was the longest serving Community Councillor in Scotland (46 years). He said his legacy was the Skate Park for the children of Comrie, Scott suggested a picnic bench with plaque. The decision was

unanimous. Gillian to speak to Kacey Plastics for prices and to put it to the Friends of Laggan Park.

Councillor Donaldson was attending a Climate Action meeting and would report back. He was also concerned regarding the storm and was looking for feedback for future reference regarding communication.

Community Wi Fi to be up graded in the village soon.

Gillian thanked everyone for her support over the last 9 months.

The meeting closed with everyone wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas.

AOCB ..

**Meeting closed at 8.45pm, date of next meeting 13th January 2022 at 7pm  
VIA ZOOM**