

**MINUTES OF KINGSEAT COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD VIA ZOOM ON TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

PRESENT: Forbes Stuart, Norman Woolley, Sheila Colville, Margaret Hall, Janet Reid, Les Smith, Cllr Ian Ferguson

PREVIOUS MINUTES AGREED AS CORRECT

NO DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST EXPRESSED

MATTERS ARISING:

PARK DRAINAGE:

Following a meeting with Forbes, FC will undertake drainage works at the burn area and also investigate the pipework installed by Taylor Wimpey. This will hopefully resolve the flooding experienced by householders on Main Street. The Committee will discuss the unused funding for this work in January.

YOUTH GROUP:

The tree is now up outside the Community Centre and decorated by some of the village children. Carol Ann put a notice on Facebook about Santa Sleigh on 20<sup>th</sup> December, Forbes asked Sheila to find out if they had managed to use their £500 donation on gifts for the children.

PLANS/COSTINGS FOR MUGA

We have still not received anything from FC and are unable to take anything forward meantime.

FREW PLACE

Work has been progressing on this project. It has now been split into three phases as follows:

1. This phase is nearing completion. Funds have been secured from FC to build a shed which will hopefully be built by spring.
2. This phase will see trenches being dug to alleviate flooding. Following this work, the remaining 320 saplings will be planted.
3. This phase will only commence once the flooding situation solved. Forbes has almost completed a funding application to extend the path. The chimney removed from Mrs Russell's house has an area identified for it and the builder will complete the work. A plaque will be placed on it. David has designed a flyer to go around the village in the spring. It is hoped the village will help out with donations of bulbs and plants.

Les expressed his thanks to both Cllrs Ian and Helen for their continued help and support in this venture.

CERTAIN AGE CLUB

There have been 18 responses so far and Sheila will contact club members personally to see if they want afternoon tea. Another opportunity will be available in the next newsletter.

COMMUNITY CENTRE

Following the report from the Coal Regeneration Fund on the need for the Community Centre, Forbes asked Ian what the Council's plans for Kingseat were. Modernisation plans included installing windows and lowering the ceiling in the large hall.

## LIGHTS UPDATE

Les advised that there are solar lights around the park and he will go around and check which ones are needing switched on. He also expressed concern about the decorations on the tree as they are now starting to fall off and they need to be tidied up. Janet volunteered to go around and gather them into a box.

The external light has been installed but Les needs to get a key to open the box. He will deal with this tomorrow and purchase some more lights. He has also had a donation of wall display.

## BUS SHELTER

Taylor Wimpey have confirmed the bus shelter is scheduled to be built.

## KASH

Jodie has had 8 volunteers interested in helping out with a shop/cafe. Josie will keep us updated.

## AOCB

Planning Democracy – Cllr Ferguson thinks FC has done enough to fight Gladman appeal but it was agreed that Forbes will contact Planning Democracy and also write to our MSP.

Postie – it was agreed that the Community Council will give Alan a small token of our appreciation. Norman will deal with this. While the PO understood our disappointment at Alan being moved, their hands were tied as Kingseat/Townhill is designated part time and Alan is being offered additional hours. He may still be around to cover holidays, etc.

Hourglass Scotland/Food bank/Food Train - these posters will be run off and put in the Community Noticeboard.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021