



# Lumphanan Community Council

Minutes of Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015

Meetings held monthly on the first Tuesday evening of the month at 19:30 in the Kitchen of the village hall

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1	<p><b>Present:</b> Jane Jeffries (JJ), Kenny Bain (KB), Adrian Williams (AW) Henry Wight (HW), Julie Cooper (JC), Gerd Ubelhor (GU), Cllr Katrina Farquhar (KF), Roger Watkinson (RW)), Jim Sugden (JS), Viv Sugden (VS),</p> <p><b>Apologies:</b> Ron Bruce (RB), Steve Cooper (SC), Milena Zaharieva (MZ), Cllr Geva Blackett (GB), Brian Cruickshank (BC), John Wales (JW)</p> <p><b>Absent:</b> -</p> <p><b>Public:</b> - Alistair Lowson, Audrey Watt, Steve MacLean</p> <p><b>Police presence:</b> No</p>	
2	<p><b><u>AGM and annual Chairman’s Report</u></b></p> <p>The meeting commenced with the AGM where (HW) presented the Agenda and the Chairman’s Report for the past year.</p> <p>2014– 2015 Once again it’s been a very traumatic year for the Lumphanan community council.</p> <p>The year has again seen lots of changes within the council with new members coming onboard and old ones leaving. A new Chairman has been elected, me Henry Wright, through no fault of mine. And welcome to Kenny Bain in his new role as Vice Chairman. We have also managed to get a new secretary on board, Julie Cooper and her husband Steve, may I welcome you both to the council, and say how much this has really helped and we appreciate all Julie’s hard work sorting out all the paperwork nightmares!! I would also like to thank all Community Council members for their time and efforts in keeping the Community Council working to improving our village. I would also like to thank Cllr Katrina Farquhar and Cllr Geva Blackett for their assistance and contribution throughout the year which has been invaluable so I would like to thank you both for your input. Also, the police that attended LCC with update on what is happening in and around the area we would like to convey our appreciation. And last but certainly not least I would like to convey our thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Irene Thomson, who for many years, too many to mention, has been the stalwart of the village of Lumphanan. You will certainly be missed. Good luck in the future Irene.</p> <p><b><u>On a more positive note there have been improvements for the village:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Yet again we gained match funding for more Christmas lights which made the village very festive over the Christmas period. We must also thank Stuart Ferries for his help with the lights putting up and taken them down, Ian Cruickshank for his contribution and of course Jim Sugden for all his efforts.</li> <li>2. There has been a fence erected at Lovers Lane to make it more child friendly, so thanks to Kenny Bain, Ron Bruce and myself, the construction team. Long may it stand.</li> <li>3. Regular care and attention yet again has been lavished on the village toilets thanks to Kenny Bain.</li> </ol>	



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4. After many problems, the Web site is now up and running for the Community Council/Village and hopefully all problems will remain in the past and we can look forward to a trouble free future.
5. The Aberdeenshire Council, has after many years of us trying, have finally agreed to sort out the drainage problem in the park and hopefully we will see an improvement before too long.
6. I also believe that the Auchlossan straight will be resurfaced in March of this year for road improvements, and the road will be closed from 9<sup>th</sup> March for fourteen days, this has been a long and hard fight but there is certainly light at the end of the tunnel.
7. Yet again a wonderful show of flower tubs around the village thanks to all the hard work and time given by Bill Donald. And hopefully with Spring approaching we will have a lovely display of daffodils which were planted last year, many thanks to all who participated in the planting.

**Some more notable community council business items which I feel some progress has been made but more still has to be done are:**

1. School road has once again been a big issue this year and thanks to Cllr Blackett it is now on the list to be resurfaced, although patching has been taking place in and around the village, this is only a short term measure so we are informed.
2. At long last the drainage in the park is going forward, and hopefully will be completed before the summer events take place.
3. The Village Hall was painted outside last year and now they are working on the refurbishment of the inside of the hall, which hopefully will encourage more usage of the hall by the people of Lumphanan.

**For the future**

Again we need to get the young generation interested in the village and on to the LCC to secure the future of the LCC.

We are to be working on the upgrade of all footpaths and removal of dangerous dead trees throughout the village, i.e. Lovers Lane. Once more we will have to get the Council involved in this issue as it will be a major project.

Need to get more paths and walkways opened up especially the one around Craigton Wood and the one that links Burnside Leyhead to Bogentassie road via Broomhill, this would help in bring more visitors to the area.

Would like to see more Christmas lights added to the ones we have, three to six more would be great if we can get some match funding again.

We would like to see a vast improvement in the street lightening in the village and are working towards an upgrade to more efficient system.

As for the footpaths on Main Road, we were promised for 2014 a resurfacing of all, as we all know 2014 has come and gone so lets push for this to be completed in 2015.



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	<p><b><u>To Finish</u></b></p> <p>I would like to thank the Treasurer – Jane Jefferies for keeping accounts in order. (Attached)</p> <p>Apologies to anybody I have forgotten.</p> <p>Regards</p> <p>Henry Wright</p> <p>Chairman Lumphanan Community Council 2014-2015.</p>	
3	<p><b><u>Police update:</u></b></p> <p>Reports to be sent to all LCC members via E-mail – <b>No police presence or report received.</b></p>	
4	<p><b><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</u></b> Proposed: <b>(GU)</b> seconded <b>(JJ)</b></p>	
5	<p><b><u>Treasurer’s report:</u></b></p> <p>Balance <b>£982</b></p>	JJ
6	<p><b><u>Matters Arising – current and new business</u></b></p>	
6.1	<p>Container Peel Ring – GB emailed Neil Mair – (Marr Area Planning Officer) requesting update, Second container at site. – Ongoing</p>	
6.2	<p>School Road repair and poor parking issues around School – During previous meeting concerns were raising about the poor parking on roads around the School at drop off and pick-up times.</p> <p>GB to attend meeting with Pupil Council in January to discuss. – <b>No update</b></p>	GB
6.3	<p>New Notice Board needed for village <b>(HW) look into new board_– Ongoing</b></p>	HW
6.4	<p>Dead trees around lovers lane – <b>(KF) to chase regarding tree felling</b></p>	RB / HW / KF
6.5	<p>Damage to bridge next to old post office – <b>No update (KF) to follow-up</b></p>	KF
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6.7	Public toilets - (KB) Raised point that there may be a leak in the public toilet roof, also believe to be bust water pipe. (GB) Has contact appropriate person within Council. – <b>Ongoing</b>	
6.8	Grit Bins – Low levels of grit in bins require topping up.	KF
6.9	(JJ) Asked GB about the yearly funds allocated to LCC from the Council. – <b>No update</b>	
6.10	Football Pitch Drainage – (KF) Advised that the football pitch is in this year’s budget for the drainage problem to be resolved	
6.11	Recycling area – Point raised that area is messy underfoot – Consider adding chuckies to clean-up area.	
6.12	All weather Pitch – Point raised that as there is no path to the all-weather pitch mud / dirt is being carried onto the pitch by users. – Need to review best solution to prevent this.	
6.13	Milan View - Drains up but haven’t been levelled property, trip health hazard	KF
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8	<p><b><u>Email Correspondence:</u></b></p> <p><b>Dia Fib – HW, KB, JC to attend (plus public meeting) – KF to advise</b></p> <p>May to attend next LCC meeting</p> <p><b><u>Postal Correspondence:</u></b> n/a</p>	KF
9	<p><b><u>Planning Applications or Building Warrant Applications</u></b></p> <p>3 new houses beside golf course in planning.</p> <p>4 new houses George Ferries Farm in planning.</p>	
10	<p><b><u>AOB:</u></b></p> <p><u>Pot Hole / Road Repairs</u> – Point raised about the poor quality of Pot Hole / Road Repairs being done resulting in repairs not lasting.</p> <p><u>Pavements</u> – Point raised about the poor quality of some of the pavements (safe route to School)</p> <p><u>Peel Ring Bridge</u> – Cows seen on ledge possible safety issue re cars.</p> <p><u>Village Clean-up</u> – (GU) advised that plan to have a village clean-up on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, with tea &amp; coffee along with home in the village hall – <b>1pm at the Park</b></p>	



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	<p><u>Motorbiker</u> – Member raised concerns about speeding motorbiker in the village.</p> <p><u>Fire close to Church</u> – LCC member came across small fire on path which passes to the left side of the Church – Fire was found at 07:10 Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. Member contacted Police Scotland to report the matter and returned to put the fire out.</p> <p><u>Easter Service</u> – Easter service planned in Church morning of Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of April.</p>	
11	<p><b><u>Date of next meeting:</u> <u>7<sup>th</sup> April 2015</u></b></p>	All