

TORPHINS COMMUNITY COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting - Thursday 2nd June 2011
Held in the Small Learney Hall

1.	<p><u>Present:</u> Present: Steve Thorn (Chair), Liz Moore (Vice-Chair), Eric Day (Treasurer), Rona Edgar, John Lucas, Gordon Pirie, Robert Reid Sheila Blair.</p> <p><u>In attendance:</u> Cllr P Argyle.</p>	Action
2.	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Cllr Rosemary Bruce, Anna Fraser (Secretary).</p>	
3.	<p><u>Police Report:</u> No report available.</p>	
4.	<p><u>Approval of Minutes of Meeting 12th May 2011:</u> The date on the minutes should read 12th May 2011 not April 11. The diameter of the Lions Head is 15cm. With these amendments the minutes were approved: Proposed by Liz Moore Seconded Gordon Pirie</p>	
5.	<p><u>Matters Arising:</u> Notice board outside the Chemists- Repairs have been carried out and the notice board has just to be painted. Funding for additional Christmas Lights- We now have all the required information. In order to proceed we will carry out a survey of lamp posts. Bushes at Campfield- The task of cutting back the bushes is on the list of jobs for the roads department and will carried out ASAP. Old Schoolhouse- The deteriorating state of both the fabric and appearance of the school house is causing concern among residents. Cllr Argyle was asked to research to see what was causing the delay and to try and encourage the completion of the sale. Flower Tubs- Plants not ready for collection yet. Core Paths- The views of the CC were fed back to CNP. The suggestion of upgrading the old railway line has been shared. It is possible the LEADER funding could be appropriate. Village orderly. The suggestion of Community Service being able to provide a similar service is not feasible.</p>	<p>GP</p> <p>ED</p> <p>Cllr PA</p> <p>RR & GP</p>
6.	<p><u>Finance:</u> Balance currently stands at £2579.02. £600 of this balance is 'ring fenced' for the purchasing of Christmas lights for the village.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Planning Matters:</u> No planning applications. Application for a licence to sell alcohol by Platform 22. No objections. Correspondence from a resident had been received by the 'Chair' on a related matter. The 'Chair' will respond directly.</p>	ST
8.	<p><u>Road Matters:</u> Bridge Crescent- The trial will include restricting traffic flow to only allow one vehicle at a time crossing the bridge. The bollards, etc, are planned to be in place in July 2011- prior to the annual summer shutdown.</p>	JL

9.	<p><u>Torphins Community Action Plan:</u> The Action Plan is completed and printed. A launch event will be organised on 30th August, 7:15 - 9:30pm Invites will be sent to all groups in the community. A CAP meeting will be called shortly. Fountain- The Gargoyle has been purchased and will be fixed to the fountain. Repositioning of the recycling bins- The bins are to be removed for a trial period. During the trial the environmental services will organise to monitor and empty the bins in the park more frequently in the hope that additional bins will not be required. Some disquiet was expressed about the ability of the bins in the park to accommodate additional usage and about the possible appearance of any additional bins in the park should they be required. It was noted yet again that the current recycling bins opposite the school were being emptied while children were travelling to school at 9:00am.</p>	GP
10.	<p><u>Road Matters:</u> Innermarkie Road Rainwater- Still requiring attention as drainage is inadequate. Follow up Speed monitoring equipment- Request for speed monitoring equipment, to be placed towards the western side of the village close to where the 30mph sign used to be placed and near the church, to be made to Aberdeenshire Council, with Police presence being requested to Grampian Police.</p>	ED JL
11.	<p><u>Photocopier:</u> The photocopier is beyond economic repair. A replacement model would cost about £300. A model that would produce both A3 and A4 would cost about £400. To be followed up with Scotmid to see if they would be prepared to house an improved Photocopier in the new shop.</p>	ED ST
12	<p><u>Village Directory:</u> The Directory is progressing. The format is being updated to include a facebook and webpage. The winning entries from the Gala photography competition will be included in the booklet. The present timescale for production will have the Directory ready for distribution in September / October.</p>	
13	<p><u>Correspondence:</u> Various items of correspondence were tabled.</p>	
14.	<p><u>Any Other Business:</u> CDG. Everyone was asked to consider becoming a member of the Community Development Group.</p>	ALL
14.	<p><u>Date of next meeting:</u> Thursday 7th July 2011 at 7.30pm.</p>	