

be advised by respective council department(s). Consideration of future creation SUDS areas to be reviewed with requirement of suitable land areas along with associated costs.

An enquiry as to provision of a means of diverting surface water course in the area of Hawthorn Avenue in Udney Green. Floods of October 2020 seen surface water invading a number of garages and grounds. It was suggested that provision of sand and sand bags be made available in Udney Green for distribution at similar events. Council advised that UCTC may be of assistance with the provision. Paul Bailey to make contact with UCTC.

Village Orderly Grant activity. Report due by January 31st with completion of commitments by 31st March 2021. Udney Paths group to continue to perform Orderly duties in and around Pitmedden Park. This activity substituting the original proposal of paths related works.

Single 'all areas' litter pick date to be confirmed pending government covid restrictions. Target completion by March 31st 2021. Matt Kaye shall contact Explorer Scout Leader.

Area(s) for the planting of Beech tree saplings to be reviewed as to preparation requirements. Confirmation of order with Woodland Trust for saplings and protective covers to be actioned by Colin Duncan once preparation schedule confirmed.

Colin Duncan to provide update to Aberdeenshire council prior to end of January 2021.

Archived Planning retrieval request. Colin Duncan has requested retrieval and copy of Planning order 95/0798/01. Planning of interest due to inclusion of what is now known as Ingleside. Seeking clarification as to original determination as Pedestrian / emergency access. Colin Duncan shall follow up request with Planning department.

Update of Items discussed at Previous meeting

UCC Facebook page creation: Facebook is operational. Request for typical themes etc. Secretary advised of upcoming Digital Training Project focus on Website Templates led by Scottish Tech Army. Claire Woodward and Colin Duncan indicated interest in participating.

Scheme of Establishment consultation (Scheme content copied into Teams (General > Files > Community Council Scheme Consultation) FAC council accepted without change.

Rainnieshill – JKR Quarry, Cllr Jim Gifford Noted Interest and did not participate.

Presentation of Wednesday 13th January 2021 by JP&B / JKR was a repeat of previous presentation with a few minor edits to the presentation text / Images. *Attended by Colin Duncan, Paul Bailey & George Duncan.* Discussion that followed was mostly of concerns regarding noise and vibration, periods of the 'scheduled hours of work'; Traffic control (avoiding simultaneous multiple vehicle movement).

At the time of the presentation JP&B had not yet responded to the requests for clarification/ additional information submitted by residents and UCC. Apologies offered by JP&B indicating that Fairhurst had yet to present their report to JP*B / JKR with additional comment of Covid impact on available resource.

It was intimated that response to the requests would be by 'end of next week, this being by 22nd January 2021.

Paul Bailey made a verbal presentation regarding his previous experience communicating with JKR on an unrelated project. He also requested indication of favourability of Planning application, as is, from residents attending. Response was deferred until further detailed information was available consideration.

Colin D indicated that a Planning Sub-committee be formed in reviewing the elements of this application. To be finalised on receipt of outstanding response for further detail..

Progress on Kirkwood / Ingleside Door Drop / Survey.. (posted on Pitmedden News / Facebook page & UDNY.ONLINE) To date the response was poor with only 9 completed surveys. Discussion of creation of alternative Survey was considered. Consensus was to that the survey be re-advertised on local Facebook sites. Colin D to action.

Aberdeenshire Roads Policy Review. – Colin Duncan introduced this item with a statement that, in his opinion, Roads Policy, Aberdeenshire and nationally, indicated a focus on traffic flow with little consideration of safety. Policy restriction / qualifying criteria was inhibitive where speed control measure were seen by the public as necessary. Colin Duncan also advised of contact made with Councillor Mark Rowley, Chair Scottish Borders Community Planning Partnership Strategic Board & Philippa Gilhooly CMILT - Team Leader Traffic and Road Safety. 20 MPH trial established as ‘Guidance, not Law. Initiated through Borders council / councillors. Regional CC’s were not involved. First review due Spring 2021. Challenges, other than Council engagement / acceptance shall be Funding!!! The link following link carries details of the systematic incremental approach <https://www.scotborders.gov.uk/20mph>. Comments by council members indicated concerns over traffic speeds and lack of 20mph zones as witnessed in many locations outwith Aberdeenshire.

General discussions regarding traffic management throughout UDNY shall remain as an Agenda item over the course of UCC meetings.

UCC members reminder of the Community Council page on the Our Aberdeenshire website. Link: <https://www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk/your-area/formartine/formartine-community-councils/>. Website contains accessible Agendas / Minutes of Community Councils.

UCC LOGO: Current LOGO being considered for an update. Currently pending a request to local schools for participation.

ALDO registration. Council members confirmed that access had been achieved for all applicants. Colin Duncan recommended that the GDPR module in ALDO be completed by all members.

Planning Applications: APP/2020/2555, 3 dwellings OP1 site South –East of Udney Green Primary School. It was noted that a previous application had been submitted, subsequently went to Appeal which was found in favour of the developer. Approval due to expire on 8th February. Current application being – “*Further application, (including renewal of planning permission, modification, variation or removal of a planning condition etc)*”.

- It was agreed that the weekly Planning list shall no longer be circulated to all members. Weekly Planning list being uploaded to UDNY.ONLINE and Udney Community Council TEAMS files for all to access. Where Udney related applications are identified, members shall be notified; to ensure that omissions are avoided the weekly report shall be copied to George Duncan for validation, advising of application(s) which may impact Udney.

Notable Items sent by e-mail. PAS Training : Aberdeenshire Community Councils on **Monday 22February 5.30pm-8.30pm** ... See email of 13th January 2021 from Elaine Brown PAS is running a webinar in partnership with Zero Waste Scotland. UCC Climate Action associated member may attend.

The webinar will be held via Zoom and can be accessed through the following

link:<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85277349991?pwd=VHhoQW9EUm4razB6dGR5TldSQnYzUT09> MeetingID:852 7734 9991 Passcode: 750574

Finance report: Matt Kaye, UCC treasurer provided the following financial update – UCC currently have £1,463 in the bank which broadly covers our commitments of £500 + £100 (litter pick, paths, tree planting), £250 Sec honorarium in March and £648 reserved for Udney Green Hall Club (Udney Green park equipment).

Climate Action report: Udney Climate Action group provided a copy of the Final Action Plan devised by the group. Also a copy of a draft submission to CES (Community Energy Scotland). Extract shown below.

Should funding become available it is proposed to apply the funds toward:

- produce a booklet to publicise our action plan, changes to the energy system etc to be circulated to all households in the Parish.
- online sessions in the spring to engage more fully with the community.
- the development of a better communications system.

It was suggested that if the online sessions and the booklet were undertaken under the joint auspices of UCA and the Community Council, this would strengthen the credibility of the exercise. UCC members to consider the proposal at next council meeting.

UCC Climate representative advised that UCA were contemplating the need for a Website. It was suggested that UDN.Y.ONLINE may be able to accommodate a separate channel for UCA postings. Colin Duncan shall contact DEV4 (developers) to query feasibility.

Review of UCC meetings: All attending members were invited to indicate the favourable / unfavourable elements of current Agenda / Meeting execution / Minutes. Responses were all favourable with no call for change. Councillor Andrew Hassan advised that of the many meetings he attends the UCC meetings were civil, expedient and supportive, no comments requesting change tendered. Subject now closed with proviso that comment, positive or negative be open to table at any time.

AOCB. (Including any Udney settlement / trust updates, issues.)

- George Duncan raised the question of Christmas Lights for the Hattoncrook community. CD made comment that Pitmedden community appears to be the main focus. While being the largest community it was felt that Udney Green and Hattoncrook, being part of the Udney parish, should be considered for such as Christmas street lighting. We were advised that Udney Green areas under the Castle ownership were not to be excluded.
George Duncan and Paul Bailey are to review the potential for Christmas/ Festive Lighting in their respective areas.
Should there be suitable structures which are deemed in 'compliance' regarding safety and regulation, project costing would commence. Challenges would be in control of erecting and removing of festive units particularly regarding liability Insurance cover. It was suggested that UCTC may see funding of such as favourable.
- Colin Duncan raised query over status of Local Community Plan 2019-2022 Formartine / Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership (FAC 19th Jan 21). Cllr's confirmed that the Plan had passed through FAC unchallenged.

- Colin D. advised of very recent notification regarding Website accessibility – Gov legislation. The subject being prompted by *‘In December, one of our Community Councils informed us that it had received a report from the Government Digital Service, who has responsibility for checking how well the public sector are meeting the requirements of the Website Accessibility Regulations. The report stated that as part of a random monitoring exercise, its website had been identified as one which was not compliant with the Website Accessibility Regulations’*. There was a request for all CC’s to review and advise whether compliant, partially compliant or not compliant after reading the legislation.
CD advised he had given a summary review of the legislation and determined it was not in a format which he could confidently advise one way or other. DEV4 was approached (contacted Rob), the response was that initial thoughts were we are compliant but there is a need for an **Accessibility Statement**. At this time my knowledge of the subject does not permit me to create such.
CD advised Claire Young of the situation who in turn indicated that UCC would be flagged as ‘one that we need to look at’.
Copy of the legislation and support document passed onto Claire Woodward who (volunteered) as experienced in working with the Government Legislative wording / formatting. A Layman’s explanation of the requirements to be available in due course.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 17th February 2021, 7:30pm [WEB meet via TEAMS](#)