

Udny Community Council
Annual General Meeting
Held in Udny Green Primary School
March 16th 2017

Present: Garth Entwistle, George Bruce, Paul Bailey, Matt Kaye, George Duncan, Audrey Mooney, Jim Mooney, Rob Henderson & Brian McDougall.

Also Present: Cllr Paul Johnston & Cllr Jim Gifford

Apologies: Peter McAllister & Cllr C Shand

The minutes of the AGM for 2016 were approved by Garth Entwistle and seconded by Paul Bailey.

Annual Council Report

Garth Entwistle, chairman, thanked all the members for their support over the past year and thanked the elected members for taking the time out of their busy schedules to both attend our meetings and give their support. Garth went on to highlight key areas of our involvement over the past year.

1. Traffic Problems – over the past year we have continued to identify areas of concern and put actions in place to improve Road Safety in our parish. A typical example of this was the consultations with the roads department regarding the A920/B999 junction and immediate area where a new speed limit has been put in place in an attempt to reduce the number of accidents in that locality.
2. Udny Survey – Garth explained that the community council have commissioned a survey utilising survey monkey as well as paper questionnaires to obtain the views and opinions of the residents of our parish. He also said that the Udny Community Trust were actively involved and are working hard to give the survey as much publicity as possible. The survey should be complete by the end of April.
3. Planning Issues – over the past year we have continued to evaluate all planning applications and hold subcommittee meetings to fully discuss the applications which may affect the community.
4. Reviewed Dispensing- we have taken positive action to retain dispensing at the Udny Station surgery and also given a presentation to NHS Grampian to explain the impact on our community if dispensing was withdrawn.
5. Udny Post Office – after being informed that the Coffee Appocraphy wanted to give up running a Post Office the community council took active steps to try and find another host in the local community. This involved meetings with local business premises as well as meeting with the Post Office.

Annual Statement of Accounts

Treasurer, Matt Kaye, handed out copies of the statement of accounts for the year to end February 2017 and then gave a detailed explanation of all receipts and expenditures. He went on to say that the high value items were to purchase a survey tool and planning permission/building warrant for changing room facility at Pitmedden Park.

The accounts were audited by Sheila Johnston with the balance for administration being £2686.72. The accounts were accepted by the meeting.

Matt was formally thanked for all his excellent work.

Matt went on to say that as the honorarium for the secretary had not been reviewed over the past two years he proposed that the amount be increased from £450 up to £500 per annum. Garth seconded this proposal and the meeting agreed this increase.

Appointment of an Auditor

It was proposed by Matt Kaye that Sheila Johnston remain as auditor for our accounts and seconded by Paul Bailey. The meeting accepted this proposal.

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Co-option of members

It was agreed that Rob Henderson be co-opted to the community council until the next elections.

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The subject of web domain ownership/usage was discussed and it was thought that there could be improvements to its current usage. After a detailed discussion it was agreed to set up a meeting to agree a way forward in creating a better web presence by the community council.

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