UPPER TWEED COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held 20th July 2020

Via Zoom due to Covid-19 Restrictions

Present Simon Edwards (Chairman), Nick Shapowal (Treasurer), Rosalind Birchall

01.07.20 Apologies

Andrew Beveridge, SBC Councillor Heather Anderson, Penny Wedderburn Scott, Emma Reid

Post Meeting: It was noted that several members could not log on to the Zoom meeting

- 02.07.20 Minutes from last Meeting (held 15th June 2020 via Zoom) The Minutes were agreed.
- 03.07.20 Matters Arising from previous minutes (via Email) No matters arising.

04.07.20 Planning Applications (via Email)

There was a discussion about the proposed amendment to the planning application for weddings at Hartree House; the applicants want to increase the number of weddings held as they have lost income due to Covid-19. There were no objections.

05.07.20 Microgrants (via Email)

There were no new Microgrant applications received since the last meeting.

06.07.20 Police Report

The Police report for the 1st to 30th June was issued by email on the 13th July; no comments were received in reply.

07.07.20 Councillors Report

None received

08.07.20 Any Other Business

Bank Account. We now have access to the bank account. The Bank of Scotland have apologised and offered £300 in compensation which has been accepted. The Chairman will now be able to prepare the accounts for the financial year end (April 2020) and prepare to hand over to the Treasurer. An application for Internet Banking will be submitted in due course; a third signatory will be added – the bank suggests after Covid-19.

Resilient Communities - Covid-19 Support. It is likely that the Scottish Government will announce that the Shielding initiative will finish on the 31st July. If this is the case, the Resilient Communities Volunteer Driving scheme will also finish as it is likely that they will no longer be covered by the SBC insurance policy.

Drumelzier Bridge. Rosalind is to write to SBC again to request that some further means of traffic management is introduced to slow vehicular traffic approaching the narrow bridge which has again recently sustained significant damage.

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9.07.20 Date of next Meeting – Monday 17th August. It is hoped that this will be in Broughton Village Hall as attendance to Zoom meetings over the past four months has been particularly disappointing.

Any issues in the meantime can be raised and dealt with by email or telephone, as appropriate.

Author: Simon Edwards, Chairman, 23rd July 2020