**RESTON AND AUCHENCROW COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

*Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 20th September 2022.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Barrie Forrest B.E.M. (in the Chair) (**B.F**.) Logan Inglis (Secretary) (**L.I**.) Jan Stringer **(J.S.)** Julie Gregory **(J.G.)** Rob Robertson **(R R)** Kerry Simmonds **(KS)** Mel Gilmore & Michaela McIntyre (co-opted members) with Cllr Anderson and 1 member of the public.

The chairman welcomed all to the meeting and asked members to stand for a minute silence, in respect of the late Queen who was laid to rest yesterday.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**:  Cllr’s Hamilton & Orr.
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting.** These were approved.
3. **Matters ARISING:** No matters arising not covered in the agenda.
4. **Police REPORT:** No Police in attendance. Not known when and if the Police will attend future meetings. The current monthly report had been previously circulated with no matters pertaining to Reston. No concerns were raised to feedback.
5. **Correspondence. L.I.** items previously circulated by email; one catalogue of stationery passed round the meeting. 20mph speed limit consultation is open at present with all responses to be submitted by letter due to previous slandering and threatening behaviour towards officers of the council. Comments were made to the new ‘Dragon Teeth’ lining on roads to villages and towns. Cllr Anderson to investigate the viability for Reston.
6. **Regular reports.**
7. **Chairman. B.F.** attended the ‘Proclamation’ to King Charles, held at Eyemouth. With the proclamation being conducted by the town provost.

The chair also spoke of the moving experience with a melancholy ambiance at Edinburgh, with the late Queen’s departure from Edinburgh.

1. **Treasurer’s report, L.I.** The present financial statement was displayed for all members. With £606.00 in the bank with further bills to be paid and an expected insurance premium to be paid of £205.34 slightly lower than last year, but again no details on how this figure is obtained. Insurance company again to be contacted for further information.
2. **A1 Trunk Road. B.F.** Brought to the attention of MSP Rachel Hamilton the concerns expressed by the community council and residents on safety at the junction. Letter of response from Transport Scotland was that of replication of previous responses.
3. **Railway Station.** **B.F.** RAGES - meeting with Trans Pennine Express and LNER Forum. With a proposed late train on a Friday. **L.I.** made comment to the station grounds and landscaping, no contact has been received either from Scotrail, the owners nor SBC in relation to the poor visual appearance of the station, with overgrown weeds and dead trees.
4. **Wish List update.** **R.R.** updated the meeting, L.E.D.S. payment has been received from R.E.S. No new applications this month, but further updates will be discussed after this meeting.
5. **Playpark. K.S.** updated all-the playpark is now complete albeit awaiting signs and information notice. Opening day was a success and enjoyed by all.
6. **Planning. L.I.** planning application re- **Blue House**- this was refused at appeal and widely criticised by the press by the comments raised by the planning review committee. Application **22/0181/Ful Ancillary building (Coach house).** The community council submitted a response with concerns for neighbouring properties, loss of sight/overshadowing. **22/01351/Ful Glamping pods (Sunnybank Auchencrow)** initial observations were in favour of this application and no concerns have been raised. The community council to submit their observations.
7. **AGM Date- L.I.** explained the procedure for a full agm where present members All step down from their four-year term, then allowed to be re-elected for the new community council. Further details are sought from SBC democratic services. ***Post meeting update-proposed process.***

**Reston and Auchencrow Community Council election**

*Nominations open: Wednesday 12 October – Tuesday 1 November, inclusive*

*Withdrawal period: Thursday 3 November – Wednesday 9 November*

*Notice of election (if required): Tuesday 15 November*

*Day of ballot (if required): Tuesday 22 November*

1. **Cllr’s report: Cllr Anderson,** gave an updateon matters progressing, A1 trunk road railway signage – no response as yet , will follow up. Reston primary school competition for Grantshouse litter bin signage.

Area partnership meetings to have a police and NHS presence in the future and to engage with schools, with place making a forefront condition.

1. **A.O.B**. None raised.
2. **Questions from the public:** None raised.

The Chair thanked all for their attendance, the meeting was closed at 20:10

**Next meeting to be held in the village hall on the 17th October**

**A revised date for the AGM 21st November**

Signed …………………………………………………… Date ……………………………………………

Another inconclusive meeting?