**RESTON AND AUCHENCROW COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

*Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 18th March @Reston Village Hall 7:30pm 2024.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Kerry Simmonds **Chair** **(K.S.)** Logan Inglis, **Secretary** (**L.I**.) Jan Stringer **(J.S.),** Rob Robertson **(R.R.)**, Michaela McIntyre **(M.M.)**, Hugh Veitch **(H.V.)** K, Simmonds **(K.A.S.)** (Minute Secretary).

No members of the public in attendance

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**: Cllr’s Orr, Hamilton & Anderson.
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting.** These were approved.
3. **Matters ARISING:** No matters arising, not covered in the agenda.
4. **POLICE REPORT:** report pending. No comments from the members. **L.I.** to enquire about updating and replacing ‘Cold Calling Signage’.
5. **Correspondence. L.I.** no correspondence other than emails already distributed mainly relevant to road work notifications. One letter promoting, vehicle messaging signs.
6. **Regular reports.**
7. **Chair. K.S.-**nothing to report.
8. **Treasurer’s report, L.I.** Updated members on the accounts, with no changes from the previous month. Accounts to be finalised for AGM, members present agreed to continue using our current examiner for the finalised accounts. **J.M.** updated the meeting with progress on online banking, RBS to be the most suitable preference albeit with restraint.
9. **A1 Trunk Road.** Nothing to report other than road closure notices of proposing work.
10. **Planning. L.I.** ‘**Monashee Wind Farm’** second community engagement event was held today at Preston Village Hall. Views were made to the developer on the proposed pending application. Noise surveys and shadow flicker concerns were conveyed from nearby residents. The topic of community benefit was also discussed. ‘**Blue House’** was refused at appeal today on the grounds of outwith build structure for rural housing. **L.I.** was disappointed with the comments made by local councilors on their perception of the application.

1. **Wish List update.** **R.R.** two new applications to be reviewed in the following meeting.
2. **Reston Station. L.I.** Network Rail is at present solely responsible for the railway station. It is disappointing to know that no work has been done to tidy up this station and is becoming unsightly due to the overgrown flora. ‘Name and shame’ are possibly the best cause of action now.
3. **Millennium Stone area. -**Pending better weather.
4. **Reston Riverside. J.S.** updated the members on Rabbit trail, quiz and Egg hunt, to commence on the 7th April.
5. **Village Hall.** **K.S.** village hall AGM on the 25th March**, all welcome.** Discussions on previous projects and details of the current acoustic project. List of events to be released this coming week.
6. **Annual litter pick-** **L.I.-** to be held on the 24th March with **J.S.** leading the event. Refreshments provided (bacon rolls). A1 layby opposite Reston, SBC have removed the litter bin from the layby adjacent to Reston on the A1, as part of a trial to ascertain whether the litter would still be left if there is no bin. **J.S.** will carry out weekly checks and report back.
7. **Cllr’s report:** None present.
8. **A.O.B**. **R.R-** road markings at Auchencrow have been carried out, but no ‘Dragons Teeth’ markings have been installed. **J.M.** raised the issue of school trips and if this could be funded via the ‘Wish List’. To be considered further pending more information. Concerns were raised over the traffic management at school drop off times, poor parking and generally unsafe parking. to follow up with the police school officer, with a possible note from school to parents.
9. **Questions from the public:** None

The Chair thanked all for their attendance, the meeting was closed at 20:35

**Next meeting- April 15th AGM, 2024, 7:30pm**

**Followed by the Normal meeting.**

**Reston Village Hall**

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

Another inconclusive meeting?