

Draft Minutes from the Lossiemouth Community Council
20 October 2015, Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

- Mike Mulholland, Stuart Crowther (Sec), Tim Stanning (Treasurer), Carolle Ralph, Tim Betts (Warden), Karen Cox, Adrian Barksby, John Smart, Sgt Carmichael (Police) Insp Foyle (Police), Cllr Cowe, Cllr Slater, Anna-Mary Overing, John Smart. Guest: Pam Gowans (Moray Council)

Apologies

- Maureen Garden, Anna-Mary Overing, Cllr Tuke, Cllr Wright

Topic	Discussion	Action
<p>1. Welcome/Police Report/Community Warden report/Guests</p>	<p>Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>Police report – Chair welcome Inspector Foyle to the meeting. Sgt Carmichael gave the report.</p> <p>Reasonable month with not particularly high crime stats, 32 recorded over the period with 17 detected so far.</p> <p>Usual array domestics, thefts, shoplifting, drugs, assault and speeding. Common theme thefts from unlocked garages, sheds and homes – people should be encouraged to secure their properties.</p> <p>Undetected crimes ongoing where information would be sought (as in provided report), two men charged in relation to assault outside a pub in town, banning order will be sought.</p> <p>Cllr Cowe asked about trailer at Dunbar Court – Warden reported he had returned and another visit will be made in the near future.</p> <p>Warden Report</p> <p>Abandoned vehicles discussed at last meeting, outside 38 Queen Street, has now gone. Trailer at Dunbar Ct and Street – discussion taken place and agreement reached with owner. Litter issue at same address – again conversation will take place as owner of trailer has been tasked with tidying their garden, this will be dealt with in the next few days.</p> <p>Several others awaiting uplifts.</p> <p>Dog Fouling – one report but anonymous, with clocks going back we can expect an increase in the number of incidents being reported.</p> <p>Litter – some complaints about HS pupils, students have been caught and spoken to with letters issued to parents. School Watch is in operation at moment during the holidays, appeal for information of anything noted from the public.</p> <p>JS asked time scale on ‘abandoned’ cars – no set</p>	

		<p>timescale, look at general state of vehicle, proximity, if it displays vehicle number plates.</p> <p>No eggs or flower during Halloween, advised this refers to extremes. Police noted local tradition of knocking doors and running away then throwing eggs. Also Fireworks monitored very carefully with parents notified with health and safety advice if required.</p> <p>MM asked where is Community Warden number is publicised – on internet, posters and newspaper articles.</p> <p>TS noted tyres, around 40 plus dumped – warden said he is aware of this issue and will follow up.</p> <p>Visitor – Pam Gowans, Moray Council – Latest on Health and Social Care Integration.</p> <p>Pam reported a lot changing through legislation brought forward last year with a number of regulations requiring health and social care services to be brought together and operated until a single new system. A new joint board formed with Pam as Chief Executive of the new body.</p> <p>Is an opportunity to reshape services working together – Dr Gray's, strategic planning will be under the direction of the new joint board. Work with community councils and other community bodies is a big element of the Health and Social Care system. New body goes live in April 2016. Pam will revisit CC on a regular basis to update us on progress and listen to any issues we might be able to bring forward from the community.</p> <p>JS – question on bed blocking and need for a new cottage hospital or suitable place for people to live under adequate supervision until they are ready to go home. Pam said that Moray is currently not performing too badly in this area but it is an area that is being monitored very closely.</p> <p>CR – Delighted that Pam has attended. Believes we are perhaps a little disadvantaged and would like to see more funding to help save people from having to travel. Pam – we need to be looking at just about everything over the coming year, that will be done and consideration given on how services can be best delivered under the new direction, there are things that can be done better. Again working with and speaking to communities will be helpful in forward plans.</p> <p>AB – views of other departments who are being absorbed into the new joint board. Pam – just beginning to dawn on them that things are changing, is a big shift for people to take in. Possibly less of an issue for the Council as the services remain local. Will be more difficult for Grampian Health Board whose budget will be diverted to new board.</p>	
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		<p>KC – Asked about a Pain clinic. – Pam said already had initial discussions on this and appointed two GP's to work on what is required. Of the 100% they deal with (patients) around 80% can be dealt with at GP level with the remaining 20% needing specialist. This is ongoing and Pam will be happy to return with an updated report to a future CC meeting.</p> <p>The Chairman thanks Pam for taking the time to attend and update the Community Council.</p>	
2.	Previous Minutes/Matters Arising	<p>a. Caravan Park – liaison meeting to be arranged.</p> <p>b. Harbour Bollards – Harbour Company statement was discussed and noted it included reference to 'near fatal' accident that prompted the move (as reported in the press). Members agreed the CC seek a meeting with Richard Lochhead to discuss the situation – Cllr Slater meanwhile to gather information that might better inform the historical aspects of the harbour ownership. View of the CC remains that the current situation is "an accident waiting to happen".</p>	DS
3	Correspondence	Recent correspondence noted, most had been passed to CC'd throughout the period since the last meeting.	

4	Matters Arising from CC's/Councillors	<p>Secretary advised members on a meeting recently held over the possible transfer of the Toilet Blocks and Stage area at Station Park/Esplanade to the LCDT. A former expression of interest for a Community Asset Transfer has been lodged with Moray Council as a result and it is hoped this can be cleared by next summer.</p> <p>Councillor Reports</p> <p>Councillor Cowe noted that £39k was available in the Boyd Anderson Trust fund.</p> <p>Brae Lossie/Prospect Terrace, request at Council to bring this forward as soon as possible and that is being done (subsequent to meeting the building was sadly destroyed by fire).</p> <p>Station Park bins will be replaced ASAP same as those on the Esplanade. Bins on West Beach – one to be moved to start of the path. Cage bin on beach has been removed.</p> <p>Active Travel – had spoken to Hitrans and meeting will be held to see if we can progress cycle path.</p> <p>Trial on lighting the East Beach bridge worked. Recycling centre in Lossie – paper to ED & I – centre being moved to a central location in Elgin (subsequently this was passed at Moray Council).</p> <p>Community Councillor Reports</p> <p>Secretary reported he had attended recent meeting</p>	
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5.	Treasurers Report	Finance remains 'healthy' with confirmation that £200 had been paid to the Moray Coast Tourism Group to help with a visitor promotion leaflet.	
6.	Planning Issues	No significant new issues reported, noted that the special hearing on the Boyd Anderson Drive development was being held in November.	
7.	Any other business	None noted	
8.		The next meeting of the community council will be held on Tuesday, November 17 at 7pm, in the Community Centre.	