

Draft Minutes from the Lossiemouth Community Council
15 December 2015, Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

Mike Mulholland, Stuart Crowther (Sec), Tim Stanning (Treasurer), Karen Cox, John Smart, Adrian Barksby, Carole Ralph, Cllr Tuke, Cllr Slater, Cllr Cowe, Police

Apologies

Tim Betts, Cllr Wright

Topic	Discussion	Action
<p>1. Welcome/Police Report/Community Warden report/Guests</p>	<p>Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>Police report – 14 crimes reported between 9 Nov and 14 Dec, mostly domestics and so the main priority, cars broken into in November with property stolen, vandalism, a 22 year old reported for assaulting door staff. There was increased patrols on Friday evenings around closing time at pubs – complaints have reduced.</p> <p>Vandalism at St Gerardine's primary - patrols increased around the schools.</p> <p>Number of speeders reported to fiscal.</p> <p>Noted by Karen Cox that a disturbance had been at the RAF Married Quarters, there were no complaints because nobody knew who to complain to. The Community Warden details have now been provided to residents for future reference.</p> <p>MM asked how many officers were present at pub closing times – six plus a sergeant were used, in two vans and two cars. Landlords were spoken to regarding monitoring the level of intoxication.</p> <p>No Community Warden report or attendance.</p> <p>Visitors - There were no visitors to this meeting.</p>	
<p>2. Previous Minutes/Matters Arising</p>	<p>Previous minutes accepted.</p> <p>Noted that meeting had been arranged with Richard Lochhead MSP to discuss the Harbour Bollards situation. Chair and SC attended the meeting. Awaiting further contact with Mr Lochhead who is writing to the Harbour Board to arrange further discussions in the hope of fostering better relations between Community and the Harbour Board.</p>	
<p>3 Correspondence</p>	<p>All correspondence had been passed on to all members during the course of the past month – no issues discussed. Carole Ralph had responded on behalf of CC or Care Standard letter.</p>	
<p>4 Matters Arising from CC's/Councillors</p>	<p>Cllr Cowe reported that efforts were still being made to resolve the Brae Lossie issue after the recent fire damage.</p>	

		<p>The Seatown area has now been put forward for a new flood alleviation scheme.</p> <p>Cllr Slater said he had spoken with Ann Paxton about noises heard from her home at weekends from 10pm until 5am – further discussion on what is an ongoing issue in the area but no resolution is forthcoming.</p> <p>Karen Cox noted the increasing complaints over dog mess in the town.</p> <p>Carolle reported the first meeting of a Mental Health support group in Lossiemouth has now been held, with 12 attending the first and second meetings. Monthly meetings will now be held as there is a great deal of interest – meeting will be on second Thursday of each month.</p> <p>Adrian reported a quiet month at RAF Lossiemouth but expecting things to pick up in the new year working towards the exercise programme starting in February.</p> <p>MM – short discussion on fears of Lossiemouth becoming a terrorism target, general feeling was that this was not a high risk.</p>	
5.	Treasurers Report	Very little activity reported by the Treasurer – two payments made for engraving of Citizen of the Year shield, £1,900 currently in bank.	
6.	Planning Issues	<p>Discussion on plans for new home build in Town Hall Lane and fears over historic structures in the grounds. CC would raise these fears with planners (subsequently did so, plan was approved but with conditions protecting the future of the historic structures).</p> <p>(Between meetings since this minute, changes were also made to plans for parking restrictions around St Gerardines – these were posted to all CC's who noted that the changes would relax restrictions for visitors to the Church and local businesses, as such our withdrawal has been withdrawn).</p>	
7.	Any other business	<p>Anna-Mary Overing has resigned from the CC after ten years service having moved out of the area. The CC wished her the very best for the future.</p> <p>Agreed that our annual CC dinner would be held in January in place of a CC meeting.</p>	
8.		The next meeting of the community council will be held on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 7pm, in the Community Centre.	