

Draft Minutes from the Lossiemouth Community Council
17 November 2015, Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

Mike Mulholland, Stuart Crowther (Sec), Tim Stanning (Treasurer), Karen Cox, John Smart, Adrian Barksby, Maureen Garden, Councillor Tuke, Councillor Slater

Apologies

Anna-Mary Overing, Carolle Ralph, Sgt Carmichael, Tim Betts, Cllr Cowe, Cllr Wright

Topic	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome/Police Report/Community Warden report/Guests	<p>Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>Police report – No police or warden available but report was provided to members.</p> <p>Noted by KC that a disturbance noted 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>There were no visitors to this meeting.</p>	
2. Previous Minutes/Matters Arising	<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 – Chair will provide a report at this meeting.</p>	
3 Correspondence	All correspondence had been passed on to all members during the course of the past month – no issues discussed.	

4	<p>Matters Arising from CC's/Councillors</p>	<p>Cllr Cowe's report read in his absence:</p> <p>1. Application form has been submitted to Millennium Association for funding of lights on the Seatown Bridge.</p> <p>2. Chief Inspector Campbell Thomson has offered services of the Police to track down Gordon Stewart, Pasadena, USA – grateful for him for doing this, it will be a quicker route than through the Council.</p> <p>A subsequent meeting with Inspector Hoyle (who attended our last meeting which he found very useful and is keen to hear of any issues). He had no news on how the fire started at Brae Lossie.</p> <p>However, news from the Council is that search is ongoing for Gordon Stewart – his council tax has not been paid since 2012 and his driving licence was no longer in use after April 2012. If deceased, is there a will and it would be up to beneficiary to make claim OR his relatives in Lossiemouth. If</p>	
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		<p>alive, Council will push for compulsory purchase order to have the issue dealt with once and for all.</p> <p>3. Bins, as noted in minutes plus two bins at Marine Park and extra bins at School/Community Centre and West Beach plus south east corner of playing fields.</p> <p>4. Promenade toilet roll holders is now c/o Stewart the Joiners.</p> <p>5. Cycle Path – Cllr Wright spoke to Dean Anderson on land use for cycle path. Cllrs Tuke and Slater reported this had taken place with no significant progress made.</p> <p>6. Coularbank Recycling Centre – to be closed and relocated to Moycroft – could be in March 2017 before new facility is ready, but John will push this.</p> <p>7. Funds are to be made available from Moray Towns Partnership for promoting Lossiemouth – SC to attend Exhibition in Edinburgh along with representatives from Buckie, Keith and Forres.</p> <p>8. Outgoing Group Captain Chappell has commented that he will set up a meeting with the new Commanding Officer at RAF Lossiemouth.</p> <p>9. A drilling rig will be in the playing fields at some future time to carry out checks on the foundations for a possible new school.</p> <p>10. JC is attending all Community Engagement meetings in Buckie, Keith, Fochabers and Forres so will be out of town each night (hence his being unable to attend this evening).</p> <p>11. With £13m still to find in savings over the next two years, difficult decisions will have to be made that will affect all of us – this will have to come before the CC at some stage, there is no point sweeping it under the carpet as in the past. All councillors have been asked to bring this to their CC's attention.</p> <p>Tim commented that an extra rack would be useful at the War Memorial for the annual wreath laying ceremony – SC will enquire.</p> <p>AB said all was fairly quiet at Base (subsequent to meeting RAF Lossiemouth was very much in the world news).</p>	
5.	Treasurers Report	No major outgoings, account is currently at just under £2000.	
6.	Planning Issues	<p>The long awaited planning hearing on the new estate linking to Boyd Anderson Drive was discussed in detail.</p> <p>SC reminded members of the paper he had been instructed to read on their behalf at this meeting.</p>	

		<p>Discussion on this centred around if the CC objections as previously agreed still applied. SC made his personal views clear and that they had shifted, he did not feel that there was sufficient strength in the argument against the plans for the object to succeed.</p> <p>On the direction of the CC, however, and despite any personal misgivings, SC was directed to argue the case and support the community campaign as previously agreed.</p>	
7.	Any other business	<p>MM updated on 'progress' re-cycle path.</p> <p>Citizen of the Year – joint recipients would receive letters in the next few days, presentation would be made on December 15 ahead of our meeting. (This would be at 5.30pm in the Stotfield Hotel – MM to arrange, TS to arrange engraving of trophy, SC to write to recipients).</p>	
8.		The next meeting of the community council will be held on Tuesday, December 15 at 7pm, in the Community Centre.	