Cullen and Deskford Community Council Minutes 18th October / 19.00 / Memorial Hall, The Square, Cullen.



Chair: lain Grieve – I. G.

Attendees

- Tam McLellan (Vice Chairman) T.McL.
- Esther Bruce (Secretary) E.B.
- Stewart Black S.B.
- Phil Lovegrove P.L.
- Dennis Paterson D.P.

Apologies

- Barry Addison B.A.
- Stewart Cree
- Jane Martin
- Ron Shephard

Topic		Discussion	Action	Person Responsible / Timescale
1.	Police Update	N/A No Report		
2.	Minutes of Last Meeting	Minutes of the inaugural meeting were accepted and approved. D.P. proposed I.G. seconded		
3.	Matters Arising	No matters arising		
4.	Correspondence	All members of CDCC received invitations to the opening ceremony of the new Seatown Bridge. 26 th Oct 14.30. E.B. & T.McL. said they would be able to attend. 2) Letter from Karen McGilly form Harbour Advisory Committee requesting a representative of CDCC attend their meetings. T.McL. said he was willing to take on the duty. 3) Letter from Tesco reminding the Committee of the opportunity of the Tesco scheme of 'Bags of Help' for fund raising. All agree to keep this option in mind for the future. 4) Letter from Euro Coastal Community which offers funding for creating jobs in the community. I.G. asked members to submit ideas.		E. B. / T.McL.

		5) Letter from National Lottery to inform CDCC that they are not eligible for funding. 6) Letter from BT who intend to remove the remaining 'Red Box' Public Phones. BT suggest if we wish to keep the Red Boxes the Community 'adopt' them. Committee suggested a survey be put on the Facebook page to determine use and popularity. 7) Letter from Ventaludens concerning the wind farm at Lurg Hill Deskford. Letter stats local Organisations give views on the windfarm and surrounding area and how the company could give back help / funding. I.G. suggested CDCC apply for funding is available. DP suggested Ventaludens be invited to the next CDCC meeting to discuss community projects. Members to suggest ideas. DP suggested a permanent Visitor Centre utilising the ruined house at the junction of Campbell Place and Seafield St. All agreed this would be an excellent idea and use of building. 8) Letter form Christmas Lights Group inquiring if CDCC wished to have a stall at the 'Switch-On' festivities. It was agreed that CDCC would have no interest this year. Inquire to Moray Council on ownership of premises. Invitation to Ventaludens	ALL I.G.
5.	Treasurers Report	N/A No Report (Treasurer on holiday) It was declared the status of accounts stood at	I. G.
		Admin A/c:- £1040.09 Fund Raising A/c:- £5188.89 T.McL. submitted forms for the change of signatories regarding the CDCC bank accounts left to him by the Treasurer for posting. T.McL. also reminded all additional signatories that they were required to attend the Bank of Scotland with 2 proofs of identity to complete the trans action. E.B. submitted the replacement cheque from Seafield Estates for £500 to be deposited by T.McL. as the only current serving signatory.	E.B. I.G. B.A. T.McL.
6.	Community Feedback	D.P. reported he had been approached about cars speeding through the town and the continuing problem of dog fouling. No suggestions were given	

		on the speeding problem. I.G. explained the Community Warden is responsible for spotting law breakers. E.B. suggested there could be more bins in more strategic places but the issue there was the emptying of the bins. I.G. said other CCs have Poo Bag dispensers on Lamp posts. Investigation with Moray Council on supply and funding Inquiry was made on who the current serving Community Warden was. Inquiry into the responsible person and invitation to next meeting S.B. reported he had been asked about the lack of Broadband access in the Deskford area. No suggestions were offered for this problem.	I.G. E.B.
7.	Reports		
	a) Local Councillor(s)	N/A No local Councillors attending.	
	b) Community Council Sub Group	N/A No current Sub Committees	
	c) A N Other(s)		
8.	Planning Issues	T.McL. reported:- No Planning issues relevant to CDCC at this time. T.McL. also reported a member of the community had asked if the Grant Arms Hotel had made a Planning Application to have their windows replaced with UPVC units.	
9.	The Joint Community Council of Moray	I.G. reported the next JCC meeting would be on Thurs 10 th Nov 19.00 Council Committee Room, Headquarters, Elgin. He advised a representative from the CDCC should attend. Two people to attend.	I.G. E.B
10.	Projects	T.McL. explained a project involving tubs/barrels for flowers /plants around Cullen Square should be re-instated from previous Committee. It was agreed on10/12 tubs for Cullen and 3 for Deskford. T.McL & D.P. to create Sub Group including Cullen Youth Café (CYC) to look at plan of distribution; resourcing painting, planting of containers; resourcing plants / bulbs. All to be completed throughout the winter ready for spring flowering. In addition T.McL. asked that further hanging baskets, hooks/clamps and planting be included in this project. A planter in the design of a train and	

		carriages would also be supplied at the bottom of Seafield Street. The up-keep and watering of all flowers to be covered by Sub Group. A water bowser had already been purchased. It was agreed that although CDCC would supply the tubs for Deskford, Deskford Community Association (DCA) would supply the flowers/plants/bulbs themselves. Funding to be given to this project - £1500 approximately. Treasurer to be contacted. 2) T.McL reported on a project of CYC with Cullen Past & Present Volunteer Group (CPPVG) had been involved in concerning the creation of a picnic area at the end of the viaduct path. To get the project underway the CYC had leased the ground from Moray Council. The picnic area will consisted of a train and carriages where visitors could sit have a picnic and admire the view. Much of this project was already in hand and funding was requested to take it further. Volunteers had been gathered to create the items but resources were needed. The Committee thought this was a worthy idea. I.G. requested a feasibility study be submitted to assess on the amount of funding needed. 3) SB inquired about funding for other groups in the community. T.McL. explained Lintmill Play Group	T.McL. D.P.
		(LPG) had applied for funding from the last CCC but did not know if this had been completed. He also reported that the LPG had since had massive funding from another source. S.B. suggested that we should also contact all local groups asking them to submit their requests, not just pick one and that there should be a full list of the expenditure for the last year to establish who had what before committing CDCC to any further funding. I.G. reminded the committee that CDCC has no income and that this committee is not answerable for anything agreed upon the previous CDCC. Expenditure report required 2015 / 2016	B.A.
			D. A.
11.	AOCB	1) Remembrance Sunday Services. 13 th Nov 09.15 – Cullen. T.McL explained he bought wreaths for CYC each year and he was prepared to buy additional	

wreaths for CDCC this year from CYC funds to	
help with CDCC cash flow situation. The committee agreed he should do this and be reimbursed when	
the Treasure returned. It was agreed a representative for the CDCC should attend the	
services in both areas.	B.A.
D.P. P.L. – Cullen	D.P. P.L.
I.G & S.B – Deskford.	I.G. S.B.
T.McL. to represent CYC.	T.McL.
2)	
An amendment to the CDCC constitution was	
discussed and unanimously accepted. Copy to be	
sent to Jane Martin.	E.B.
3)	
Planning for Real exhibition in	
Dufftown Library, Tues 1 st Nov, 18.30	
Aberlour Library, Thurs 24 th Nov, 18.30 Committee encouraged to attend to view how	
projects were represented with a view to CDCC	
including this at a future date.	
4)	ALL
D.P. suggested a community bonfire at the usual time or New Year.	
Committee decided this would be looked at again	
in the future.	
5)	
T.McL suggested a Community Questionnaire to	
assess what the people expected from the CDCC.	
Committee decided this would be looked at again	
in the future as costs would be involved.	
6)	
D.P. reported he had been contacted by the	
Woodland Trust offering trees for the town. Committee agreed this offer should be put on the	
CDCC Facebook page and offered to everyone.	
7)	
A potential fire hazard of rolls of recycled	I.G.
cardboard at Moray Landscapes / Northern Oils	
Towie sheds near Fordyce, has come to the	
attention of the CDCC.	
I.G. to look at site and e-mail Environmental Health	
at Moray Council. D.P. to e-mail Fire Service	
Cullen to suggest a visit to the site.	
8)	I.G. D.P.
T.McL. suggested that a Laptop or tablet be	1.5. 5.7 .
purchased from the Admin A/C for use of all	
members but the Secretary in the main. He also	
suggested the cost could be covered by CYC until	
CDCC accounts were available. The Committee	
unanimously agreed. T.McL. suggested a	
Samsung tablet would be adequate.	

12.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	The date of the next meeting 15 th Nov 2016. As there would be no December meeting, the date being too close to Christmas, it was agreed that the November meeting be delayed a week. Date of next meeting 22 nd Nov 2016 19.00, the Memorial Hall. T.McL. to book the hall.	T.McL.
		E.B., as current Secretary, preferred a laptop. I.G. agreed that this would be more suitable for the purpose and proposed a separate camera / VCR should be purchased for recording visits, projects, etc. It was suggested a printer could be bought but E.B. said this was not necessary at this time as she had a new printer and did not have room for a second. The supply of ink cartridges and paper was all that was required. The Committee accepted this solution. I.G. suggested E.B. research type, size and price of laptop and report at next meeting. 9) The Secretary be reimbursed £30 per meeting for admin. Committee agreed. I.G. proposed. S.B. seconded. B.A. to attend to transfer of money on his return.	E.B.