

Minutes of Meeting  
Speyside Community Council

Date: Wednesday, 17 January 2018

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Speyside Community Centre, Aberlour

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Chair: Marion Ross, Chairperson

Community Council Attendees: Julie Sarab, Marion Ross,

Guest attendees: Derek Ross (Councillor), Louise Laing (Councillor), Jane Martin CCLO,

Ken Fraser, Jane Tweedie, Mairi Tweedie (Craigellachie),

Alan Souter, Janet Milne, Greg Sarab, (Aberlour)

Apologies: Chris Garden, Jean Richardson, Frannie Shaw, Andy Cameron

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

Marion Ross welcomed all to the meeting and gave apologies for those not able to attend.  
A quorum was not achieved at this meeting of the SCC.

2. Minutes of previous 11.12.17 meeting - to be approved at next SCC meeting

(Minutes were summarized by Marion Ross)

3. Recap of the January 10th Budget Response meeting by Marion Ross

4. Associate member status requested by Greg Sarab, Aberlour - to be approved at next SCC meeting

5. AOB

1. Derek Ross reported - Moray Council own Aberlour Library building - no plans to close.
2. Greg Sarab provided an update and more information on the progress towards an Aberlour crossing area. Transport Scotland to be contacted again with new speed measurements. Encouragement to be given to the community to report any and all minimal incidents. Other guests commented on restricted view of the road at the Queens Road/A95 junction. Possibility of restricting parking around co-op at the A95/Queens road - plus possible intervention after 2019 upgrades.

Summary conclusion - Creation of a working group (as a sub-group to the ongoing work of the Aberlour Community Association) consisting of SCC members, local community

members especially Senior Citizens Association, High School and Primary School parents and students. Contact has been made with ACA member Greg Sarab who will provide ACA information discovered so far on the road crossing project and who will extend the offer to join the working group to the ACA members at their next meeting.

3. There was a lively discussion of the proposed placement of new wind turbines - concern was expressed of extra size and proximity to Spey Valley, Pauls Hill and Rothies 3.

4. Development plan 2020 Moray Council - highlighting potential areas of housing and industry - feedback has been requested by the Moray Council. More information can be found on the Moray Council website.

5. The Press and Journal (CountryFile) have created the chance to vote in a survey for Speyside - as an area of outstanding beauty and a top class tourist destination. The link to the survey will be posted on the SCC Facebook page.

6. Dufftown CC are interested in having a joint meeting with the Speyside Community Council once or twice a year especially if large projects are to be discussed.

7. Venue for next SCC meeting to be determined. Proposed date for the meeting is Wednesday February 28th and all following meetings are to be held on the last Wednesday of each month with one or two months off during the calendar year to be decided at the next SCC meeting.