Minutes

Lossiemouth Community Council Monday 15 January 2018, 7pm at Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

☐ Carolle Ralph (Vice Chair, minutes); Tim Stanning (Treasurer) Maureen Garden, Graham Fleming, Stuart Garden,

Cllr James Allan, Cllr John Cowe, Cllr Ryan Edwards

Apologies

☐ Councillor Amy Patience, Tim Betts, FLT LT Chris Hawkins (RAF Lossiemouth), Marian Evans, Evelyn Thomson, Glenn Roberts, David Hoyle

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Topic		Discussion		
1.	Welcome	The Chair opened the meeting at 1900hrs. He wished everybody a Happy New Year.		
2	Police Issues	No police officers of community warden present. Several issues of dog fouling have been reported and also raised with community council through Facebook. Particularly in Station Park and Woodlands walk. Carolle to raise with Tim Betts. Bookmakers broken into, no update on whether a culprit found for this as yet.		
3	School/ community centre update	Carolle advised the group that she had been contacted by Louise Hill who runs the 2/3 group. Moray Council have advised Louise that there will be no space in the new build community centre for the group. The meeting expressed concerns about this as there had been an understanding that no groups would fail to be accommodated in the new premises. Councillors to look into this for next meeting. Other than this, everything is on course for completion 2020. Position with regards to how the construction work may effect neighbours close by will be monitored as some concerns have been expressed. Carolle has not had response from lan Gale so John will get his number and forward to Marion.		
4	Tarmac development	Tarmac Proposed Excavation site opposite cemetery. Mike received a letter prior to Christmas from tarmac re the development. There is to be a public exhibition on Thursday 18 January in Stotfield Hotel. Neighbours have received notification about the proposed development.		

		The meeting expressed concerns about the lack of			
		communication from tarmac since their initial approach to CC in March last year. It was agreed that we need to be proactive on this as few people know about the exhibition and it is something the community should be aware of and able to comment on. Carolle to talk to the media tomorrow. All the councillors and community councillors who can manage will be attending the exhibition on Thursday and discuss a way ahead afterwards including a site visit.			
5	Lower Speed Communities Lossie	Lower Speed Communities Lossie meeting this afternoon listened to feedback from 2 Moray Council officials on what could be done to improve road safety in the areas discussed these past few months. 2 options for the crossing on Elgin Road were presented to the meeting. The group agreed on option 2 closest to Hersbruck Court. Everyone agreed that it had been a useful project to be involved in and we hope that when the final report is done, we can demonstrate the value of this community project.			
6	Defibrillators for Lossie	Big thank you to Sandra and Gordon McKandie and Yvonne Murray for organising the fund raiser at the Christmas Lights. Enough money has now been raised to ensure the defibrillator in Skerry Brae Hotel can be mounted outside and thus publicly accessible. Carolle to chase up plaque for community centre one asap.			
7	Secretarial assistance	We continue to search for a secretary, anyone interested should get in touch with any of the community councillors. Carolle continues to muddle along. To contact Lossie Local about an article and advertise the position.			
8	Clashgour Windfarm	Mo and Carolle did not attend as we were informed that it would cost the community considerable money to invest which we do not have, if this is not the case we will here through JCC.			
9	Don Ritchie Diageo award	The presentation to Don Ritchie will be held in the near future. Mike to talk to Stotfield on Thursday. It was wonderful that Don received the special lifetime award at the Sports Awards evening, following our nomination. Stuart suggested that he should be invited to talk to the			

		PE students at Lossie high, it was agreed that was an excellent idea. Stuart also raised the problem of rubbish and young people smoking behind the community centre. It was agreed he talk to school management about this on our behalf.	
10	Post Box	Carolle advised the group that the Royal Mail have agreed to site a central post box which will collect mail at 5pm and be accessible to the public 24/7. Concerns were expressed that the post office is often closed early, so this should help the problem. Still waiting to hear if the post box which used to be in the big COOP can be reestablished	
11	Planning	Tim has received notification of the application for the flats in Clifton Road which has been resubmitted with a reduced number from 15 to 10. He will study it and email other members if he has any concerns. The buildings at the front have been lowered which was one of the principle concerns from members of the public.	
12	Treasurers report	We have around £1517 in the bank following payment of poppy wreath and donation to flower show as per decision made at November meeting. Moray Council admin grant should be received in near future. Gerry Evans has approved our accounts. Thank you Gerry!	
13	Meeting with Development Trust	Carolle contacted Donna re joint meeting with the Lossie Development Trust. She is to get back to us with proposed dates.	
14	Community Council Research Workshop Mo and Carolle attended Community Council Research Workshop. Minutes will be circulated to the rest of the group. They found it a very beneficial and interesting evening.		
15	Local Plan	Consultation event on February 15 February in town hall	
16	AOCB	Councillor Allan advised the group that the Moray Council budget consultation exercise appeared to have been a useful exercise and the council have many ideas and opinions to take on board in the coming financial years.	
		Councillor Edwards warned people of a scam which had affected a local business, proclaiming to benefit Lossie	

high. It was agreed that the Business Association should be made aware of this matter which is being investigated.

Mo said that there are still items being removed from cemetery. Discussions re CCTV continue.

Cycle track moving forward and Mike said he felt real progress was now being made.

It would seem that Glen is not getting emails, Mike to check his email account again.

Date and time of next meeting

Monday 19 February 2018 at 7pm in Lossiemouth Community Centre.