

Dyke Landward Community Council
Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 4 April 2018 at 7.30pm
in Dyke & District Village Hall

Present: Steve Arkley (Chair & Treasurer) (SA), Tanya McLaren (Secretary) (TMcL), Tom Lewis (TL), Maeve Lewis (Minutes Secretary) (ML)

Apologies: Jane Foster, Carl Wright

In Attendance: Cllr Feaver

1. **Welcome:** SA welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **Police Update/Report/Community Safety Report**

TMcL had circulated the Community Safety Report. There was nothing specific to the DLCC area but SA commented on the number of bicycles which had been stolen in Forres.

3. **Public Session**

Neil Jeronim spoke about the Brodie-Forres cyclepath. Neil, who has been campaigning for some time to get the cyclepath between Brodie and Forres reinstated said that there is no provision for a cycle path on the new dualled A96 throughout Moray. He would like all the community councils in Moray to ask for the inclusion of a cycle path. SA & TL had raised the question of cycle paths at the meeting they attended about the A96 and got conflicting answers, Transport Scotland saying there was a cycle path and Sweco saying there was not one. Cllr Feaver said that if Transport Scotland was suggesting that the old A96 should be used as the cycle path there would be maintenance issues. Neil pointed out that if the cycle path was included in the new A96 maintenance would be taken into account. Cllr Feaver said it was important to find out what Moray Council criteria for a cycle path was. It will be too late once the chosen route has been decided. Cllr Feaver said she would take it up with Moray Council. It was agreed that DLCC would send a letter to the A96 dualling group asking if they could confirm that no matter which route was picked that the cycle route will continue through Moray, as it is in the Highland Council area to Hardmuir.

4. **Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting on 7 March 2018 were approved. They were proposed by TMcL and seconded by TL

5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

Out of control dog – A Dog Control Order had been placed on the owner of the dog.

Closure of children's ward at Dr Gray's – TMcL had written to the Chief Executive of NHS Grampian regarding the closure. She had received an acknowledgement that a reply would be sent.

Dyke speeding issue – TMcL had spoken to the school and sent an email and is awaiting a response.

Noticeboards – These will go up in the next few weeks.

Resilience Plan – There had been no update regarding the presentation.

A96 update – Further to the meeting SA and TL had been to SA had attended a further meeting of local landowners and businesses with the programme director which had been beneficial. Cllr Feaver also pointed out that the new core paths would also have to be taken into account by the new A96 route.

Broom of Moy junction – TMcL had emailed Transport Scotland but had no reply so will now go back through the previous correspondence and see who else she might contact.

Banking provision and issues – SA gave the bank mandate forms to TMcL and TL to complete.

TMcL will send a card to Carol.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Bank balance - £1,921.70.

7. **Correspondence**

All relevant emails had been circulated.

Jane Martin will send out the handbook from the General Data Protection Regulations workshop with £15 to be paid for it.

SA mentioned the correspondence about taxi fares.

Discussion took place on the call for views from the Scottish Government about the impact on local businesses and customers of bank closures. ML will submit the DLCC responses to the questions.

Community Empowerment Act – free workshop on 18 April in Elgin Town Hall from 7-9pm for anyone interested – TMcL may attend.

8. **Reports**

Cllr Feaver reported that it was 6 to 7 weeks since the budget had been set and the budget for next year was now being looked at and once again councillors faced challenging decisions.

9. **Planning Issues**

None.

10. **AOCB**

➤ CW had emailed to enquire if a dog waste bin could be put in at the top of Darklass Road. The issue would be who would empty it and it was felt that a green wheelie bin might be better which could be collected on the fortnightly waste collection day. Carl is to check if this option might work and it can then be taken forward.

➤ TMcL is still trying to find prospective members for DLCC.

11. **Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 2 May 2018 at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall.