

Dyke Landward Community Council
Draft Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 1 August 2018 at 7.30pm
in Dyke & District Village Hall

Present: Steve Arkley (Chair & Treasurer) (SA), Tanya McLaren (Secretary) (TMcL), Jane Foster (JF), Tom Lewis (TL), Carl Wright (CW), Maeve Lewis (Minutes Secretary) (ML)

Apologies: Jackie Davidson

In Attendance: Sgt Chris Harris

1. **Welcome:** SA welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cllr Feaver had sent her apologies.
2. **Police Update/Report/Community Safety Report**
Sgt Harris told members about a recent burglary in the Darnaway area. Fortunately the culprits were caught and arrested. He reported that there were no other issues. With regard to speeding in the village, he said that officers had been out and there did not appear to be a problem with speeding. TL said that he had spoken to the school and hoped they would get a campaign of awareness running after the school holidays. SA suggested DLCC should wait until a resident complains before taking it further. Sgt Harris said he would make sure there would be more of a police presence in the village as this often acts as a deterrent. TL asks whether fly tipping was a problem but Sgt Harris said it was not particularly bad.
3. **Public Session**
No members of the public attended.
4. **Minutes of Last Meeting**
The minutes of the meeting on 6 June 2018 were approved. They were proposed by TL and seconded by JF.
5. **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
 - (i) Business operating at Dyke (complaint) – a complaint had been received about noise from a new business which had been set up dealing in firewood. Cllr Feaver had spoken to Moray Council about it and a planning application presented by the business owner was not valid and another one had not been applied for. The enforcement officer had not done anything yet and Cllr Feaver said they would be given another 2 weeks after which she would get back to TMcL. JF said it was quite noisy and she also wondered if a gate had been put up with a no entry sign on it which she was not sure was allowed.
 - (ii) Roads to Brodie – entrance and hedges – ML reported that the NTS were responsible for the exit road at Brodie Castle and were dealing with the matter of signage for both the entrance and exit drives. Regarding the overgrown shrubs/trees near Barleymill, Moray Council said they will be dealt with later in the season
 - (iii) Dyke speeding issues – dealt with previously.
 - (iv) Co-creative process – SA had received a letter from Richard Lohead about waiting for Transport Scotland to make the co-creative decision.
 - (v) Maternity ward and children's ward at Dr Gray's – since the last meeting there have been a lot of developments, widely reported in the media and there is not much more that can be done at the moment.
 - (vi) Water shortage – By now most members of the community would be aware of the advice which had been sent out.
 - (vii) Resilience Plan – ongoing.
 - (viii) A96 road junction for Broom of Moy – According to Transport Scotland the current road alignment is fine. The committee agreed nothing further could be done at this time.

6. **Treasurer's Report**

Bank balance - £2,146.75.

7. **Correspondence**

All relevant emails had been circulated. Regarding the Core Paths, a member of the public had concerns about a few bits of them but DLCC thought the proposals were valid and TMcL will reply to that effect.

8. **Reports**

No local councillors in attendance.

9. **Planning Issues**

These had been emailed out. Concerns about the potential development at Lochloy in Nairn were not seen as been an issue by Moray Council.

10. **AOCB**

- ◆ Defibrillator – TL still has to look into this.
- ◆ JF asked if the Dyke noticeboard was broken and TL said he would check after the meeting. Some members of the community said they wished it had been left in its original position.
- ◆ CW made the observation that work on the new housing development in Darklass had started with a lot of earth being removed in lorries.
- ◆ On hearing from some members of the community that they had poor broadband speeds, TL asked how soon the speed would be improved in rural areas. TMcL said she would endeavour to find out more about the roll out in rural areas. She also suggested he wrote to Douglas Ross, the local MP.
- ◆ TMcL reiterated her request that members try to find more members from the community for the committee.

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

Wednesday 5 September 2018 at 7.30pm in Dyke Village Hall.