

Minutes of Meeting of Dufftown District Community Council

Date: Tuesday 8th January 2019

Time: 7pm

Venue: Royal British Legion Dufftown

Chair: Jim Nicol

Attendees: Sarah Anderson, Angus Anderson, Joan Nicol, Ally MacDonald, Anne Hodge, Cllr Derek Ross,.

Apologies: Cllr Louise Laing, Zoe Bremner.

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1. **Police Update** - There have been further incidents in Tininver Street with damage to Christmas lights. All incidents should be reported to the police.
2. **Minutes of last meeting** - The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed Joan, Seconded Angus.
3. **Matters Arising –**

Low Rd Junction- Angus and Sarah have looked at the junction, taken photos and proposed a potentially suitable site for a “no left turn for HGV’s” sign. These were looked at and the site accepted as suitable by all. Sarah will let Moray Council know.

Cllr Wilson – We have received an acknowledgement from Moray Council to our letter on Cllr Wilson’s non engagement with our Community Council. As yet we have had no reply as what can be done. We will wait to see if we hear anything before our next meeting. We will then decide what our next action if any will be.

Mary Symon’s Plaque- The final wording for the plaque has been decided on. There will be an unveiling ceremony on either 27th May or 25th September. The DDCC thinks the May date better.

Glenfiddich Lighting – Cllr Louise Laing and Sarah have corresponded with Moray Council regarding the lack of lighting at the junction at Glenfiddich and Castle Road. A reply has been received that it will be put on the list for consideration at the next budget meeting.

DDCC laptop – Angus has looked into a potential new laptop. The best currently on offer seems to be a HP laptop with Windows 10, 8GB ram and a 256 GB solid state. at £320 plus P+P. There would be the extra cost of around £20-£25 for the Office programme. This should be enough for what we need and be futureproof. The DDCC took a vote and this will be ordered.

DDCC logo – The final design is still being worked on.

Cycle routes - The planned cycle route leaflet by the DDCA requires us to sign up to OSMA. We are happy to help but some of the documents required to be agreed upon are difficult to navigate on the site. We have asked the DDCA to sort this out for us prior to signing up.

Tininver Park Rubbish – Recent complaints of both broken glass and rubbish at the hut and dog fouling problems have been reported on the Speirins Facebook page. Jim will go up there and clear this when he can.

4. Correspondence –

A virtual charity Christmas card had been received from Richard Lohead MSP.

There is a consultation on Moray Local Development Plan 2020 and the Planning Bill Scotland. There are drop-in events and online feedback which needs to be received by March 15th 2019. All info is in DDCC email.

Jane Martin sent through an article concerning a CC outside Moray which is being sued. The content would not apply to anything we currently do but it is worth knowing for future reference.

Jane also pointed out that MC has a "Report it page" for CC's to use either on our own or with reinforcement by local Cllrs.

5. Treasurers Report – Moray Council have now deposited funds into our account and the account balance stands at £951.57. Room costs will be due in April.

6. Community Feedback - The Tininver Park complaints. These have been dealt with previously.

7.Reports

Local Councillors –

Cllr Ross discussed that there are ongoing budget talks at MC.

There have been some problems over the fact that MC is not supplying printed copies of bin calendars this year. This is generally for persons without internet access. The DDCC will print the Dufftown calendars and put on the noticeboard.

Charges for garden waste collection will be coming into force in April.

8. Planning Issues- None

9. The Joint Community Councils of Moray – The minutes of the last JCC meeting are now available. The next meeting is on Thursday 14th February 2019 in Elgin.

10. AOCB –

There has been further complaint regarding the cars being repaired on the street in Fife Street. As this is not as far as we know a criminal offence, nothing will be done.

The digestate used on the fields last summer causing complaints has now been formulated in a solid form. This has hardly any odour so this summer things should be greatly improved

11. Date, time and venue of next meeting – Tuesday 12th February 2019 at 7pm in the Royal British Legion Dufftown.