

The Community Council for the Royal Burgh of Forres

21ST FEBRUARY 2019 AT THE TOLBOOTH, HIGH STREET, FORRES

Secretary: Community Councillor Shaun Moat | **Contact:** 07954150311 | **Email:** info@forrescc.co.uk

Attendees		Apologies	
CC Graham Hilditch	Chair	CC Alan Tissiman	
CC Michael Walker	Vice- Chair	MC Claire Feaver	
CC Shaun Moat	Secretary	MC George Alexander	
CC Graham Murdoch	Treasurer		
CC Lesley Edwards			
CC David Parker			
CC Kenny Shand			
MC Lorna Creswell			
MC Aaron Maclean			
Garry McCartney	Forres Gazette		
Members of Public	3		

Topic	Discussion	Action
1.	<p>Welcome & Apologies: The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and advised everyone present of the apologies. He asked if everyone agreed, he would contact CC Chas Rodgers and CC Gordon Thornton to see if they can still commit to the role of Community Councillor as there is hopefully opportunities for the Community Council to be involved in several projects, so we really need to have active Community Councillors around the table. All agreed. The Chair went on and explained that the CC was unaware that there needed to be a 14-day period before a new member is co-opted onto the Community Council and asked for a CC to propose and second the formal co-option of Shaun Moat first as a new community councillor but also to take up the position of Secretary. Proposed CC Kenny Shand Seconded: CC Michael Walker. The Chair formally welcomed CC Shaun Moat.</p>	Chair to email CC Rodgers & Thornton
2.	<p>Ratification of Minutes: There was some confusion over the correct draft minutes, and a member of the public Mrs Sandra Maclellan stated that 2 items were incorrect. The Chair informed Mrs Maclellan that Draft Minutes are only distributed to Forres Community Councillors and Moray Councillors. Mrs Maclellan stated she received draft minutes in the past as she usually speaks and that she was sent these to confirm that the information was correct that she had said and that this month was the first month she hadn't received any. Mrs Maclellan then raised the query again about what she felt was incorrect. The chair informed her that its only Forres Community Councillors that can ratify the minutes of the meeting. CC Shaun Moat also informed Mrs Maclellan that the there was a private meeting last month and that the section about Mrs Hayward resigning had to be included so that the public were informed of Mrs Hayward's resignation of Secretary and Community Councillor. The chair also explained that due to an investigation regarding a complaint he could not make any</p>	

	<p>further comments. At this point Mrs MacLennan stated there was no point her being there and left the public meeting. The Chair clarified the point by reading out the section 11- Point e of the Community Council Constitution which states:</p> <p><i>Copies of all minutes of meetings of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL and of committees thereof shall be approved at the next prescribed meeting of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL, but the draft minute shall be circulated within 30 days from the date of that meeting, to COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members, other appropriate parties and the Local Authority's Liaison Officer for COMMUNITY COUNCILS.</i></p> <p>CC David Parker stated that there were a couple of sections missing from the draft minutes and it was agreed CC Shaun Moat would confirm with Jane Martin and once agreed the correct minutes would be distributed to CC's via email for proposal and seconding</p> <p>Note: Minutes can be proposed and seconded with amendments at future meetings</p> <p>Proposed: CC David Parker Second: CC Kenny Shand</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p>Police & Warden Report: CC Shaun Moat read out the Community Safety Report. It was agreed by all present that in future this will be emailed to all FCC and Forres Gazette as the reading out of this report at meetings is time consuming and limits what can be discussed each month.</p> <p>The chair did state he had attended Buckie CC meeting earlier in the week where they had a police officer present who gave an excellent report of the policing in Buckie. The chair is going to contact our local inspector.</p>	<p>Sec to email CSR as agreed</p> <p>Chair to contact Forres Police Inspector</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Matters arising:</p> <p>a) Leancoil Hospital Update</p> <p>The Chair informed everyone present that they have been successful in funding from the Berryburn Fund so that an appraisal can be carried out along with consultation. Some letters have already been sent and for records proposers and seconders were recorded for these</p> <p>Letter of Intent was sent to NHS Grampian:</p> <p>Proposed CC Michael Walker Seconded CC David Parker</p> <p>Application from Common Good Fund</p> <p>Proposed CC Michael Walker Seconded CC Shaun Moat</p> <p>Application to The Architectural Heritage Fund</p> <p>Proposed CC Michael Walker Seconded CC David Parker</p> <p>The Chair informed everyone of the interviews for consultancies wanting to bid to carry out the appraisal.</p>	

b) Rebranding of FCC

CC Shaun Moat explained the reason behind the rebrand. The Forres community council used the burgh arms as did several other organisations in the town. On researching we came across our nearest CC of Finderne that has a modern, brand and engaged with its community through its website and Social Media Platform.

The new logo still links the CC with the town as it has the image of Nelsons Tower within it. The logo hopefully shows the CC as a forward-thinking organisation that's engaged with its community both young and old. The previous methods of communication which has been unchanged for several years only reaches limited members of our community through the Forres Gazette and noticeboards and the CC needs to ensure channels of communication are fit for purpose and we reach all members of our communities.

The new website is www.forrescc.co.uk and there is a Facebook and Twitter page. The Chair thanks CC Shaun Moat for all his hard work and producing an excellent website. CC David Parker and CC Kenny Shand were asked by CC Shaun Moat to help with Social Media. Both agreed to help.

It was agreed that new business card and name badges would be created for all CC's

c) WW1 Plaque Update

The Chair explained of the delay of MC Planning on the plaque and that they were going to be charge £50 to find out if the likelihood of us being successful with the planning application and that a further £220 was required afterward. There was a delay of 12 weeks on MC replying and that this has dragged on. Everyone agreed there was no point to carrying on with this as the 100 years anniversary was last year.

d) Planning Applications

There was only one application which was for the new Co-op at Falconer Avenue regarding their operations. All agreed there were no objections.

e) Anti-Social Behaviour Meeting Update

CC Lesley Edward gave a brief report of her attendance of this meeting which was held by Douglas Ross MP. She stated a few issues were raised and felt that it was very well attended.

Sec to add
CC Parker &
Shand as
Admins

Sec to sort out
and order.

All FCC to
inform sec of
their details
for cards

	<p>f) Varis Court Visit Report CC Lesley Edwards, Parker and Shand attended Varis court and were shown the dementia section of Varis Court and they all agreed they were very well set out and good purpose built 2-bedroom flats.</p> <p>g) JCC Meeting 14th February Report The Chair informed that several CC's attended the meeting and that there was an excellent report given regarding the Armed Forces Covenant.</p> <p>h) Fire Brigade Register The chair informed CC Kenny Shand that at the JCC this was discussed and that although there is no formal register to identify people with special needs or requirement in an emergency. Scottish Fire and Rescue offer free home visits which are funded by the Scottish government and if the person is disable or would require additional assistance in case of emergency they will visit yearly.</p> <p>i) A96 Update There have been several recent comments regarding the preferred route and the impact on this. The community Council discussed the impact and that the south route would be more beneficial to Forres due to traffic not having to come into the town to join the North route. Alan James of AJ Engineering has some good facts and information regarding the Southern Route, and it was agreed that he will be invited to attend March meeting.</p>	
5.	Public Session: Nil	
6.	<p>Moray Councillors' Reports</p> <p>MC Lorna Creswell:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 Spirit of Community – Being revisited in Sept/Oct • Big uptake of people coming forward to volunteer with Fact (70). • Would like to join projects together for funding from Armed Forces Covenant. • Police meeting regarding behaviours of young people and course run by police for youngsters. • Weekend visit away look at CAT projects • Budget next week • Inverness Prison has dropped in its priority. <p>MC Aaron Maclean:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsor being looked for Grant Park • Forres Pool looking to make a surplus next year • Fit Life 440 new memberships last month and has saved both pools and 	

	<p>hopefully Active Schools. A few more would be great.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget next week 	
7.	<p>Chair's Report: The Chair asked that members of the public keep an eye on the Leancoil area, maybe dog walkers etc just walk around estate. Alan Tissiman sent the Chair an email regarding Findhorn Nature Reserve and has been asked to sit on committee. He has stated he would be happy. All agreed but with the caveat that the views of FCC are put across and not his personal views.</p>	Chair to speak to CC Tissiman
8.	<p>Secretary's Report: CC Shaun Moat hope that all the CC's were finding all the email useful. The chair stated the weekly planning report that no one had seen previously was great. CC Shaun Moat informed everyone that he has been forwarding everything and its up to each FCC to decide if they want to read it or delete it not the Secretary.</p>	
9.	<p>Treasurer's Report: £1858.63 with £1000 ringfence for Mosset Burn</p>	Mosset
10.	<p>Group & Representatives Reports: CC Lesley Edward had attended a social care meeting and they discussed the concerns of the community and she suggested they have a consultation coffee morning to discuss care better in the community.</p> <p>The group and Representative Report will be moved next month before the public session from March meeting.</p>	
11.	<p>Forthcoming Events: Join the Dots 20th March – Third Sector Youth Concert 26th Feb - Town Hall Connect More 25th Feb - Moray Drug and Alcohol</p>	
12.	<p>AOCB CC Graham Murdoch raised the following three points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mosset Burn - Talk from Bob Laughton reference the burn to be arranged Cycle Path Sueno Stone – Email red out regarding the poor visibility from the hedge CC Murdoch to contact MC George Alexander Falconer Museum Rep – CC Lesley Edward Proposed by CC Graham Murdoch Seconded Michael Walker 	Sec & CC Murdoch to arrange meeting
13.	<p>Date of next meeting: 21st March 2019</p>	