

Findochty Community Council Minutes of Meeting



Tuesday, 7 th May 2019, 7.00pm, Findochty Town Hall				
Attendees		Andy Slater (AS), Louise Marshall (LM), Andrea Woodhead (AW), Henry Marshall (HM), Ron Dawson (RD), Jeff Masterson (JM), Councillor Gordon Cowie (GC), PS Philip Wu - Police Scotland. Members of the public: 6		
Apologies		John Oliver (JO), Iain Addison (IA), Jim Murray (JM), Councillor Sonia Warren (SW), Councillor Tim Eagle (TE).		
Action				
1.		Police Update		
		A verbal report was given by the officer attending and the Community Safety Partnership report was reviewed, no issues highlighted.		
2.		Minutes of Last Meeting		
		Accepted as a true record; Proposed by HM, seconded by AW.		
3.		Matters Arising		
		See Action Sheet		
4.		Correspondence Received		
DATE - SOURCE	CONTACT	CONTENT	MEETING DATE	ACTION
09/04/19 – EMAIL	Sweco UK Ltd	A96 Dualling Hardmoor to Fochabers Scheme – Community Council Forum (East Region) Meeting Record	07/05/19	Circulated to members
08/04/19 – EMAIL	Poppy Scotland	Drop in Sessions for Veterans at Moray Resource Centre – 13 May, 10 June and 8 July.	07/05/19	Add poster to Notice Board HM
23/04/19 – EMAIL	Findochty Primary Parent Support Group (Gayle Calder)	Meeting Wednesday 22 nd May 6pm, Primary School to discuss road safety concerns with removal of School Crossing Patrollers	07/05/19	GC, SW attending. HM to attend.
29/04/19 – EMAIL	Town Centre Capital Fund – Capital Grant 2019-20	The aim of the Town Centre Fund is to enable local authorities to stimulate and support place based economic investments which encourage town centres to diversify and flourish, creating footfall through local improvements and partnerships. Specifically, this fund will contribute to transformative investments which drive local economic activities and re-purpose town centres to become more diverse, successful and sustainable.	07/05/19	Circulated to RD and RO'H for information
5.		Community Feedback		
		Issue with excessive vehicles in residential area (Dyce Crescent) raised; further investigations.		GC
6.		Treasurers Report		
		As at 1 st April 2019 bank balance £4292.50 including £207.47		

	<p>balance from the Moray Council Administration Grant.</p> <p>Discussion around fundraising acknowledging currently all expenditure. Opportunities with stall at Gala Day, Christmas Lights and turkey dinner raffle but agreement that opportunities require some planning and structure.</p>	Raise as agenda item at future meeting
7.	Reports	
	<p>a. Local Councillors – update Reinforced the importance of the Community Council ensuring they make their views known in terms of impacts of budget savings; admin grant, grass cutting etc.</p> <p>TE had provided an email update – Stickers (dog) for bins have been supplied. Recent changes for Housing to pay for some residential area grass cutting, how this relates to Findochty will be advised as details become clearer. Town Centre Regeneration Fund – pot of funding to enable improvements in small towns; help with shop front improvements / small grants / digital smart systems with 50% contribution. Harbours – when dredger goes to work, Findochty will be on the list.</p> <p>b. Community Council Sub Group(s) – Harbour Advisory Group – next meeting 5th June (both AS and JM away, Andy Newlands may be in attendance). Response received about Darren Bremner, Harbourmaster in relation to the handrails which has been harder due to core cutting and therefore taking longer than anticipated but is progressing. What is happening with the old sleepers?</p> <p>Findochty Town Hall Improvement Group – meeting with Andrew Gray, Moray Council to progress the Community Asset Transfer. Investigations into the titles; small area where no owner identified as yet.</p> <p>Findochty Christmas Lights – Minutes of meeting 10/02/19 received.</p> <p>Findochty Gala – Minutes of meeting 05/03/19 received.</p> <p>Maintenance / Gardening Group – update from May meeting – 3 seats repaired by PS / broken bench removed by JA / bench at compass rose restrained / grass cutting and strimming done at toilets, coop-shed, cherry tree, Strathlene Road and compass rose.</p> <p>Grass area on brae at the Kirk and Dyce Crescent belongs to Seafeld Estates – contact to encourage cutting previously done by Moray Council but no longer will be.</p> <p>Question regarding insurance for volunteers?</p>	<p>LM to check</p> <p>LM / AS</p> <p>LM to check</p>

	Litter Pick – date yet to be confirmed, needs to be around availability of AS and IA. Contact Moray Council regarding stocks of high-viz vests and pickers. DW reported bins at Sanny Craig need emptying. Road sweeper in last week.	LM												
8.	Planning Issues													
	None													
9.	The Joint Community Council of Moray													
	Next meeting scheduled for Thursday 9 th May 2019													
10.	AOCB													
	<p>Community Council 2019 Meeting Dates –</p> <table><tr><td>January – no meeting</td><td>July – no meeting</td></tr><tr><td>Tuesday 5th February 2019</td><td>Tuesday 6th August 2019</td></tr><tr><td>Tuesday 5th March 2019</td><td>Tuesday 3rd September 2019</td></tr><tr><td>Tuesday 2nd April 2019</td><td>Tuesday 1st October 2019</td></tr><tr><td>Tuesday 7th May 2019</td><td>Tuesday 5th November 2019</td></tr><tr><td>Tuesday 4th June 2019</td><td>Tuesday 3rd December 2019</td></tr></table> <p>Yacht sited on School Hill causing concerns in terms of its condition.</p> <p>Flying tipping (building materials) on ground owned by Crown Estates.</p> <p>Resilient Communities Funding opportunities to be further investigated.</p>	January – no meeting	July – no meeting	Tuesday 5 th February 2019	Tuesday 6 th August 2019	Tuesday 5 th March 2019	Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Tuesday 2 nd April 2019	Tuesday 1 st October 2019	Tuesday 7 th May 2019	Tuesday 5 th November 2019	Tuesday 4 th June 2019	Tuesday 3 rd December 2019	<p>GC to report</p> <p>GC to report</p> <p>LM</p>
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11.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting													
	Meeting concluded at 8.07pm. Next meeting Tuesday, 4 th May 2019, 7.00pm, Findochty Town Hall; subsequently rearranged to Wednesday 12 th May 2019, 7.00pm, Findochty Town Hall.													

Appendix 1

FINDOCHTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL – OUTSTANDING ACTIONS				
MINUTE	ACTION	LEAD	UPDATE	COMPLETE
07/05/19 (para 10)	AOCB – Resilient Communities Funding	Louise Marshall	Review conditions for relevance. Project criteria covers Vulnerability (protect welfare of vulnerable community members through enhancing their resilience and improving community participation and effectiveness) and Resilience for Emergency Events (enhance community facilities, services and communication specifically to support the local response in the event of a significant emergency event). No application submitted.	Complete
07/05/19 (para 10)	AOCB – Fly Tipping (building materials)	Gordon Cowie	Investigate and report. Seafield Estate matter, suggest letter and picture from Findochty Community Council.	
07/05/19 (para 10)	AOCB – Yacht safety concerns	Gordon Cowie	Investigate and report. Harbour master knows the owner and following it up.	Complete
07/05/19 (para 7)	Reports – Litter pick – stocks of high-viz and pickers	Louise Marshall	Contact Moray Council to discuss	
07/05/19 (para 7)	Reports – Maintenance / Gardening – insurance for volunteers	Louise Marshall	Check position	
07/05/19 (para 7)	Reports – Maintenance / Gardening – grass cutting in area owned by Seafield Estates	Andy Slater	Contact Seafield Estates to maintain area on the brae at The Kirk / Dyce Crescent previously maintained by the Council.	
07/05/19 (para 7)	Reports – Harbours (old sleepers)	Louise Marshall	Emailed Darren Bremner (Harbourmaster). Sleepers coming back to Buckie where good wood cut out for boats to sit on. If Maintenance Group can use for a project then happy to discuss.	Complete
07/05/19 (para 5)	Community Feedback – excessive vehicles in residential area (Dyce Crescent)	Gordon Cowie	Further investigations. Housing are aware of this ongoing issue. Police have report no illegal activity.	Complete
05/02/19 (para 10)	Investigate procuring replacement benches for village green	Andy Slater	Suggest obtaining via Lands and Parks – LM may have already obtained a costing	
04/12/18 (para 5)	Community Feedback – Gala	Jim Murray	LM to provide Zurich Form	Complete
06/11/18 (para 4)	Correspondence Received – Reidhaven Cresecent	Louise Marshall	GW provided an update that HRA were funding remedial works on surface and footways (highlighted) on the drawing before the end of the financial year to bring up to standard for adoption. However confirmed a lock block area would remain which would not be adopted. MC confirmed that due to breakdowns and winter weather conditions work required	

			would not be completed until summer 2019.	
04/09/18 (para 5)	Community Feedback – Tesco 'bags for help'	Louise Marshall	Make initial enquiries about planning permission, land ownership for area at top of Station Road.	
01/05/18 (para 10)	Notice Board (litter pick) – promote through photos and poster to encourage continued good behaviour	Louise Marshall	Design and post on notice board	
01/05/18 (para 10)	Morven Crescent Play Park – report poor condition of ground surface	Louise Marshall	Emailed Lands and Parks. Councillor Officer (Grant Speed) to discuss with Ken Kennedy but suggested spraying weeds and new chips but depends on budget available. Check area for October meeting.	Complete but review
01/05/18 (para 10)	Rubbish bins at bus stops – lack thereof	Louise Marshall	Email Council Officer, unlikely to get new bins, but could be resite others?	
02/04/18 (para 4)	Charge (£100) for use of harbours for community and charity events.	Gordon Cowie	Confirm with Harbourmaster.	Complete
02/04/18 (para 6)	Fundraising – structure and planning	Andy Slater	Consider for future agenda.	
02/04/18 (para 7)	Harbour – ropes	Louise Marshall	Ropes removed and safety tape damaged due to weather and unsightly; contact Harbours at Moray Council to confirm replacement.	Complete
02/04/18 (para 7)	Litter Pick	Louise Marshall	Confirm potential dates based on availability of AS and IA	