

# Minute of Meeting of Cullen & Deskford Community Council

Date: Tuesday, 17 March 2020

**Time**: 7.00 pm

Venue: The Cullen Centre Members in attendance: Stewart Black (Chair)

Colin Burch

Steve Horrocks (Secretary) Phil Lovegrove (Treasurer)

Lizabeth Williamson

**Associate Member:** Bruce Edelston

Councillors: Theresa Coull

Attendees: Nicole Barrett, Dennis Paterson

## 1 Opening of meeting:

Stewart opened the meeting, thanked everyone for attending and acknowledged that this may be the last meeting for some time.

## 2 Apologies

There were apologies from Laura Powell and Bruce Edelston.

## 3 Outside Agencies

None.

## 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting was proposed by Liz and seconded by Stewart.

## 5. Matters Arising

#### **Flowers for Planters**

Stewart had been given a price of £339.46 by Brookside Nursery for a similar quantity of flowers to last year. It was agreed to go ahead with the purchase and that it would be easier if the planters which had previously been put on lampposts were put on railings instead.

#### **Portlong Road**

The wrangle about ownership and responsibility was still ongoing but the Cullen Volunteer Group has now repaired the holes in the road and further discussion can be deferred until there is another problem.



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## **Logie Park Playpark**

Stewart had been in discussion with Moray Council (MC) and they had said that there was a possibility of a grant to pay for the repairs to the Zip Slide being available next year.

#### **Millennium Wood**

The question of ownership is still ongoing and no further progress can be made until that is resolved.

#### 6. Councillors Reports

Theresa said that MC was heavily involved in planning for the Covid 19 outbreak. It was probable that schools would be closed soon but there were plans for teachers to be used as child carers for those workers in essential services who could not stop work. School kitchens would still be available for preparation of hot meals for children.

The Sea School were leasing the Harbour toilets and free usage for harbour users has been included in the lease conditions.

MC will be delegating powers to managers and officials in respect of the Covid 19 outbreak to allow quick decisions to be made when necessary instead of having to wait for committees to meet.

#### 7. Treasurer's Report

In his report Phil said that there was £3171.61 in the Fundraising Account and £40.94 in the Admin Account. Theresa confirmed that the grant from MC to Community Councils would be resuming and would be paid shortly

## 8. Correspondence

None.

#### 9. AOCB

#### Covid19

Nicole Barrett from Buckie Buddies addressed the meeting regarding her plans to try to provide a Volunteer Service for people who, because of the Covid 19 outbreak, were unable to, for example, get shopping. She intended the service to include Cullen. Dennis Paterson said he had a list of about 20 volunteers from Cullen. Stewart was going to have a meeting with Cullen Pensioners Group and the Church of Scotland Minister, Douglas Stevenson to try and identify people who may need assistance.

A consideration was that under normal circumstances, people acting as volunteers in such situations would have been vetted and be PVG (Protection of Vulnerable Groups) registered as a person authorised to assist others.



## **Cullen Volunteer Group**

Colin wished to place on record CDCC's appreciation for the excellent work done by the Cullen Volunteer Group on the A98 near the Cullen Bay Hotel and on Portlong Road.

**10.** Date, time and location of next meeting Unknown at present.