

Speyside Community Council
APPROVED Minute of Meeting Held
On Wednesday 23 February 2022
At 7pm
The Grant Hall, Rothes

Community Council Members:

Amanda Marie, Brenda Davies, Donald McLean, Marion Ross, Alison Bagnall

In Attendance:

Cllr Ross, 10 members of the public (Sederunt can be viewed on request)

Apologies :

Kelly Spark, Greg Sarab, Fraser Dyer, Cllr Nicol

Welcome:

Members of the public were welcomed to the meeting. Community Council members introduced themselves.

MR proposed a change to the order of the Agenda items. She proposed that the first item of business – The proposed Maltings in Rothes should be taken after adoption of the Previous Minutes. This was unanimously agreed.

Previous Minutes: 26/01/22

Proposer – DMcL

Secunder – AM

Business:

Proposed new Maltings in Rothes.

Following a lengthy exchange of views on this planning application, it was decided to submit an OBJECTION to Moray Council. MR undertook this task. Speyside Community Council's submission can be found on Moray Council's planning portal. Ref. no: 21/01901/EIA

Members of the public were given the option to leave after this item.

Matters arising and not overtaken on the Agenda

DMcL reported that he had accompanied AN (farmer from Glenlivet), as the CC Representative, when he met with Richard Lochhead MSP to discuss the situation regarding the Glen of Rothes Woodland Creation Scheme. RL MSP offered to speak to the CC on 'Woodlands'.

MR will consult with the Community Liaison Officer (CLO) at Moray Council to ascertain the position regarding speakers from political parties.

Correspondence:

- Moray Council – Draft Aberlour Town Centre Improvement Plan
- Louise Nicol (BEAR Scotland) – Aberlour Distillery Wall. The repairs are almost complete. The contractor is waiting for a section of railings in order to complete the job.
- Gorwoodland Creation – Receipt of submission regarding Glen of RothesWoodland Creation scheme.
- Northern Scot – Glen of Rothes Woodland Creation Scheme.
- Craig Watch Windfarm – update distributed.
- Bidwells – re: Simpsons Maltings. Request for further information on the biomass plant.
- Moray Council – Bus Stop in Rothes. MC looking for a solution to the problem.
- Rothes Play Park update – Moray Council will be removing the old equipment and preparing the site for the new.
- Aberlour Heritage Trail

Reports:

***Treasurer: Balance - £1830.56**

***Joint Community Council Meeting 10/02/22**

Jennifer Montgomery gave a presentation on the Bus Revolution. She will attend the next SCC meeting on 30 March 2022.

The new Chief Commander of Police is Simon Reid. He reported that Anti-Social Behaviour is of particular concern at the moment.

There was an update from The Lord Lieutenant regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Communities are being urged to organise a lunch event on 5/6/22. Any event must be risk assessed and MC and Emergency Services should be contacted for advice.

Resilience Planning - Jim Patterson and Rhona McNicoll gave an update.

NB: All Joint Community Councils of Moray Minutes can be found on Moray Council's website under Community Councils.

SCC minutes can also be found in the same place.

Police Matters: CSP Report

Nothing received this month.

Planning Matters:

The Weekly Wards lists had been previously distributed.

Business:

- Proposed Maltings at Greens of Rothes – discussed immediately following adoption of the Previous Minutes.
- MR had contacted communities that have a Community/Village Hall to ascertain which of them would like to investigate the possibility of installing external sockets suitable for generators – with a view to applying for funding.
- Draft Aberlour Town Centre Improvement Plan – The exhibition and drop-in session will be co-hosted by Moray Council Planning Department and SCC. 2 March, 7-9pm at Speyside Sports and Community Centre.
- 20's Plenty Campaign – keep on the Agenda.

Training:

None

AOCB:

Hospital Homecoming Project – Tsi Moray. Zoom meeting to be set up.

Future Programme:

Moray Council – Bus Revolution presentation. 30 March 2022

Moray Well-being Hub – arrange a presentation

Moray Council – National and Local Planning Policy for windfarm Development

Wednesday, 25 May, 2022

Consultations:

Moray Council Draft Active Travel Strategy and Action Plan (2022-2027)

(Closes 3 April,2022)

Moray Council Town Centre Improvement Plans (Closes 14 March 2022)

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 30 March, 2022

Meeting closed at 9 pm

