



# LOSSIEMOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the meeting held in

### The Seaview Suite Main Town Hall

**On Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2008**

Sederunt	Mr Bill McLean	Chairman
	Mr Ian White	Vice-Chairman
	Mr Tom Bothwell	
	Ms Kathleen Culyer	Youth Representative
	Mr Des Donaldson	
	Mr Charles French	
	Ms Helen Macintosh	
	Mrs Anna-Mary Overing	
	Ms Joyce Stewart	
	Mr Ken Scofield	Secretary/Treasurer

Present Mr Bill McLean, Mr Ian White, Mr Ken Scofield, Ms Kathleen Culyer Ms Helen Macintosh, Mrs Anna-Mary Overing, Ms Joyce Stewart, Mr Tom Bothwell, Mr Des Donaldson, Mr Charles French, Cllr David Stewart, Ms Sarah Riley-Evans (CDO RAF Lossiemouth), Ms Fiona McPherson (The Northern Scot)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 1930hrs after welcoming all those attending.

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY
1	<b>Apologies.</b> No apologies were received.	
2	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting.</b> The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record of that meeting and signed as such by the Chairman.	<b>The Chairman</b>
3	<p><b>Matters Arising.</b></p> <p><u>Citizen of the Year.</u> Ms Riley-Evans distributed official photographs of the event. The event itself had gone down well and the Station Commander was extremely pleased with the sentiments contained in the speech given by the Vice-Chairman, Mr White at the presentation ceremony.</p> <p>Ms Riley-Evans went on to inform the meeting that the Station Commanders at Lossiemouth and Kinloss met frequently to discuss strategic matters and it was the intention of the Station Commander at Lossiemouth to invite the community council for possibly an informal lunch to discuss the relationship between the town and camp and if there were ways of improving the same.</p> <p>The Chairman then thanked those members of the community council who had attended the ceremony in spite of the inclement weather.</p> <p><u>Bus Shelters.</u> Cllr Stewart informed the meeting that after discussion between the council and Robertsons it had been decided that The Moray Council would erect a shelter on the West side of the road and that Robertsons would erect a</p>	

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	<p>similar shelter on the East side of the road.</p> <p><u>Speed Limit.</u> This item is still ongoing and will need justification before anything is decided.</p> <p><u>Lossiemouth Community Magazine.</u> The first edition had been produced and was an extremely well thought out and produced magazine. It was felt that it certainly fulfilled the editor's parameters for the magazine. Some concern was expressed over the patchy distribution with Seatown and Coularbank Estate seemingly left out all together. The Secretary commented that he had been in touch with Ms Slater with regard to the distribution and in her defence, Ms Slater had realised that she would need to rethink the distribution as she found out that it was too much for her to do it all herself.</p> <p><u>Grant Park Grassed Area.</u> On behalf of the Tenants Forum, Mr French explained that the forum had some capital available and would consider erecting a fenced children's play area on this ground. This should keep irresponsible dog owners out of the area. It was also suggested that the dog waste bin should be relocated as a prompt to owners. A discussion followed about the perennial subject of dog fouling and how to overcome the problem of careless dog owners. It was mooted that consideration should be given to closing the beaches to dogs over the summer season but the meeting was unsure of the legality of this idea. Although dog mess was a nuisance, Mr Scofield said that there was also some merit in pursuing those visitors who left the beached strewn with broken glass (a hazard to both humans and animals), used disposable nappies and other items left behind after visitors had enjoyed the day on the beach.</p> <p><u>Children's' Panel.</u> The Secretary had written to the Chair of the Children's' Panel and they had accepted the invitation to the meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2008.</p> <p><u>Town Hall.</u> A new brochure was in the process of being produced to advertise the venue and its facilities. A recent wedding party had been held in the hall and all the guests had been pleased with the venue. As a matter of policy a decision had been made that the town hall would not be available for 18 - 21 year old birthday parties.</p>	
4	<p><b>Planning Applications.</b> There were no contentious planning applications to be considered by the planning sub-committee.</p>	
5	<p><b>Correspondence.</b></p> <p>Safer Scotland - Leaflets explaining the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.</p> <p>The Moray Council - Report on the Trees and Development Finalised Supplementary Guidance.</p> <p>Moray Children's Panel - Invitation and reply to address the community council.</p> <p>The Scottish Government - Consultation on the Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 - Amendment Bill 2008.</p>	

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	<p>The Moray Council - Consultation on Model Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils. (From the Scottish Executive Community Council Working Group).</p>	
6	<p><b>Any Other Competent Business.</b></p> <p><u>Registration with Protection Agency.</u> The Secretary informed the meeting that the Data Protection Agency (DPA) had recently reached an <i>informed</i> decision that community councils would be required to register with the DPA annually with the fee of £35.00. This measure was due to the fact that data regarding community councillors was held on PCs by the Secretaries. However, in the interim both the JCC and the ASCC were attempting to clarify the situation as the Secretaries had no more personal information on their computers than many owners and users of computers who apparently did not need to register with the DPA. To be continued.</p> <p><u>Moray Golf Club.</u> The Chairman wished to congratulate the club on the recent Scottish Amateur Ladies Championship held at the club. All he had heard was good comments regarding the course, organisation, local facilities and overall ambience.</p> <p><u>Fires.</u> The meeting was informed that Sunbank Quarry had been the scene on fire-raising over the previous weekend. The first fire had been reported at midnight on Saturday and was extinguished at 0230hrs with the next fire being reported at 0430hrs. Obviously deliberate fire-raising.</p> <p><u>Beach Café.</u> Comment was made as to the loss of trading on behalf of the beach café (AKA The Ponderosa). A lot of visitors had been at the West Beach during the fine weather but no facilities were evident not even an ice-cream van.</p> <p><u>Marine Terrace.</u> The Stotfield Hotel was being increasingly used by coach parties and with the increased usage of the golf course; parking close to the corners by Marine Terrace was on the increase. There was also an increase in motorists parking in the bus stop bay thus increasing the congestion on this area of road. It was suggested that The Moray Council review the yellow line on the kerbside and refresh if necessary.</p>	
7	<p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting.</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held in the Seaview Suite, Town Hall on the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008 at 1930hrs.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2120hrs.

Signed: .....Chairman

Date: 17<sup>th</sup> June 2008