



LOSSIEMOUTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in

The Seaview Suite Main Town Hall

On Tuesday 21 April 2009

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

Present Mr Bill McLean, Mr Ian White, Ms Helen MacIntosh, Mr Tom Bothwell, Mr Des Donaldson, Mr Charles French, Mrs Anna-Mary Overing, Cllr Dave Stewart, Mrs Fiona McPherson (Northern Scot), Ms Sarah Riley-Evans (RAF Lossiemouth), Mr. David Haytack (Community Warden).

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

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION BY
1	Apologies. Apologies were received from PC Roy Thomson, Mrs. Joyce Stewart, and Cllr Allan Wright.	
2	Minutes of the Previous Meeting. The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record of that meeting and signed as such by the Chairman.	The Chairman
3	<p>Matters Arising.</p> <p><u>Clifton Road.</u> Anti-social driving - no police representative in attendance, however an update was received and communicated to the group by Vice-Chairman Mr. White. The report stated a noted decrease in anti-social driving since implementation of daily patrols in this area.</p> <p><u>Other police matters.</u> The police report also stated that unfortunately fly-tipping around Lossiemouth roads is on the increase, and underage drinking will be closely monitored over the coming months with the lighter evenings.</p> <p>The Chairman thanked Mr. White for presenting the information to members. However, it was agreed by the group that we have missed personal attendance by a police officer for some months now and should write reiterating an invitation for the police to attend occasional LCC meetings when feasible.</p>	Secretary

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	<p><u>Planning.</u> The Secretary was asked to write requesting a visit from a Planning Dept spokesman to clarify updates and changes regarding the SPS, particularly how changes may affect Community Councils as a statutory consultee.</p>	Secretary
4	<p>Planning Applications.</p> <p>No contentious issues arose.</p>	
5	<p>Correspondence.</p> <p>See list attached to agenda.</p>	Secretary
6	<p>Citizen of the Year.</p> <p>Mr. Tom Bothwell informed the Community Council that a date (1st May) had been set for Mrs. Ross to receive her award at RAF Lossiemouth and they had kindly arranged lunch for her, Mr. Bothwell and Mr. White, a tour, and transportation.</p>	
7	<p>Any Other Competent Business.</p> <p>Mr. David Haytack informed the group that he had been joined on patrol recently by Margaret Cowie from Forres, and that a fixed-penalty fine had been issued in Hopeman for dog-fouling. He stated that there had been a positive reaction to dog-litter bags having been placed in local businesses, as reported in the Lossie Local magazine article. Community Councillors agreed in appreciating the co-operation of businesses in this approach to the problem.</p> <p>Mr. Haytack raised the subject of a parcel of land between Coularbank Road and Coularbank Crescent that has become overgrown, mis-used and is deteriorating. The group agreed that this land could be regenerated into some form of useful recreational area, by the community and for the community. By positive action it could create a sense of pride and ownership. The secretary will write to Mr. A. Keddie with this proposal.</p> <p>Lastly, Mr. Haytack requested funding towards some litter-collecting devices with the aim of getting the community to help itself in re-vamping neglected areas and maintaining a cleaner environment. These cost £12 each and members agreed to pay £72 for 6 of them.</p> <p>Ms. Sarah Riley-Evans clarified that the revised date for the 'Open Forum' as previously postponed, is now Tuesday 16 June, and will confirm this in writing.</p> <p>Vice-Chairman Mr. Ian White confirmed that the new Lossiemouth Marina website is now up and running with several old pictures of the Harbour.</p>	Secretary

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	<p>Mr. White also mentioned concerns over safety measures at a blind corner at a house near numerous static caravans and chalets. Cllr. David Stewart will speak to the Moray Council roads department about this problem.</p> <p>Cllr. David Stewart told members that Lossiemouth will receive £25,000 to be utilised by the Business Association, and the Chairman congratulated that group and sent best wishes towards new ventures.</p> <p>Chairman Mr. Bill McLean mentioned the yellow lines along Stotfield Road recently upgraded and it was agreed this was a definite improvement.</p> <p>Queries were raised however regarding the poor visibility eastwards along Stotfield Road when wishing to turn right from the south junction at St. Gerardine's Brae when coaches are parked legitimately in their allotted space, and thus the potential danger when easing forward to ensure no traffic is approaching.</p>	<p>Cllr.D.Stewart</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Time and Date of Next Meeting.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held in the Seaview Suite, Town Hall on Tuesday 19 May 2009 at 1930hrs.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2140hrs.

Signed:(W. McLean).....Chairman

Date: