

Minutes of Meeting of Findochty Community Council
Held at Findochty Town Hall on 7th July 2010

Persons Present: Lorna Breetzke, Andrew Slater, Martin Legge, Ian Gardiner
Councillor Gordon McDonald, Councillor Anne McKay

Apologies: Lesley Loades (Chair), Craig Breetzke, Elizabeth Campbell

Guests Present: Police Officer Barry Corbett

Matters Arising from Previous month's meeting

Bus Shelter – Lorna read the reply from Peter Findlay, Public Transport Manager regarding the repair of the bus shelter. The Moray Council are unable to fund the repair as there is “no budget for shelter repairs this financial year other than make the shelter safe if it is in a dangerous condition”. The Council are to get their surveyor to inspect the shelter and ensure it is safe.

Gardening – Councillor McDonald told the CC that Moray Council generally cut the grass every 2 weeks weather permitting.

Andrew suggested to the CC that we approach someone involved in Community Service to find out if they could help with the rose garden and stripe burn as part of a Community Service project.

- **Action** – Lorna to contact Mike McRitchie to find out if this would be an option.

Andrew reported that the path behind the Town Hall has been cut and strimmed.

Youths camping - Lorna read an email from Ian Bruce, Environmental Protection Manager. The email stated that any person has the right to camp in the area behind the caravan park and neither the Council nor the Police have any right to stop it.

Dog Bins – Lorna read an email from Ian Bruce, Environmental Protection Manager regarding the request for a dog bin to be erected at the public toilets. The response was that due to current budget restraints it is not possible to provide a dog bin.

- **Action** – Lorna to email Tracey Rae to enquire whether if the CC bought and erected the dog bin would the Council be willing to empty it.

Any Other Business

Proposal to remove boat from Station Road

Andrew proposed we remove the boat from the top of Station Road, the CC agreed it is in eyesore so were all in favour. The CC discussed the possibility of replacing the boat and tubs with a new structure. To be discussed further at next meeting.

- **Action** – Lorna to email Tracey Rae to find out if planning permission would be needed for a structure to be erected.
- **Action** – Lorna to find out if LEADER funding would be an option.

Hall at Caravan Park

Mr. Main, owner of Findochty Caravan Park asked if his concerns about the hall at the caravan park could be raised. He states that the hall is an eyesore and as it is the first thing people see when arriving at the site he would like to know what the Council's plans are regarding the future of the hall.

- **Action** – Councillor McDonald to find out what is happening with the hall.

Date of next meeting 1st September 2010 @ 7pm in Findochty Town Hall