Cullen and Deskford Community Council Minutes 27.03.14/ 7.30pm / Cullen Community and Residential Centre

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Chair: Mollie Moon

Attendees

- Mollie Moon
- Anne Morrison
- Kevin Aitken
- Judith Daymond
- Councillor Cree
- Councillor Shepherd
- Steven Mill
- Jackie Kersley
- Andrew Mackie (Community Warden)
- Kevin Petrie (Community Police)
- Karen Smith (Minutes)

Apologies

- Councillor Coull
- Jennifer Welsh
- Tom Gunn

Public Attendees

- Bob Moon
- A Donn
- E Flett
- D. McIntyre (?)
- T. MacLennan
- C. McIntosh
- Councillor Cree's guest

Topic		Discussion	Action	Person Responsible / Timescale
1.	Police Update	The Community Police and Community Warden read out their reports. See attached.		
2.	Community Update	A member of the public reported that some car drivers using the road from the houses at Lintmill which continues past Tochineal Farm and beyond do not dip their full beam and drive too fast. The gentleman walks his dog along this stretch of road and during the hours of darkness has		

		encountered the afore mentioned. He stated that this is a hazard to his safety. KP suggested using a high visibility jacket and carrying a torch, which the gentleman stated he does. KP stated that if the gentleman could procure the registration of any offending car, if possible, then the police could have a word with the driver(s). KP also suggested putting an article in the local paper.	
3.	Minutes of Last Meeting	MM asked if there were any amendments to the Minutes from the last meeting. There were none from the committee. MM invited members of the public if they wished to comment on these. There were no comments. SM approved the Minutes from 27.03.14 Seconded by AM. Councillor Cree asked if the Councillor could receive their Minutes via email. The Councillors provided their email addresses and it was agreed that this would be possible.	MM & JK
4.	Matters Arising (a) Schools Review update	AM, MM and Moyra Hendry, Headmistress from Cullen Primary School attended the Parents Support Group meeting held on 21.03.14. The parents biggest concern at the moment is if the children have to be transported to another school. There is nothing in writing at the moment so they will have to wait for further information regarding this. MH is happy for MM and AM to continue to attend these meetings. P7 are hoping to go to Abernethy this summer. They are raising money for this trip and will be bag packing at Tesco at the end of May. They will also be holding a coffee morning at the end of May in Cullen. They are hoping that this will raise enough funds. AM	

(b) Calendars	said if need be, a letter could be put to the CDCC for consideration for a donation towards this trip. There are approximately 600 (2014) calendars left. KA had put calendars down to the local shops. A discussion took place around different ideas to raise money in other ways rather than selling calendars for the year 2015. No definite ideas were decided at this meeting.	
(c) Emergency Centre	The Emergency Centre for Wakefield Care Home is the Town Hall not the Community Centre. Tracey Rae has been asked to investigate and the committee are waiting to hear further from her. Moray Council informed us that they are not an emergency service. Community Councils in other parts of Moray have set up local emergency plans with persons named as those able to respond quickly. Donna McLean is willing to come along to the April meeting to discuss this further. MM to contact	TR
(d) Newsletter	MM reported that there has been a good response from the Newsletter and that we need more for Bayview Court and The Square. There is no Newsletter planned for next month. Councillor Cree asked if the Newsletter could be emailed to him. AM stated that the distribution of the Newsletters in the Deskford area would need to be looked at as AM had spent 3 hours delivering these. Councillor Cree suggested that these be emailed.	MM

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	(e)Summer Festival Harbour Gala	There is no Summer Festival this year (2014). MM received an email informing her of this. Community discussed possibility of having a table/stall for	
	(f)Report re website exempt item	fundraising at the Harbour Day. Due to quite a bit of disruption at the February meeting there was an emergency meeting of CDCC on Sun 23.03.14 to discuss the Discover Cullen.com issue. There was an unanimous decision to take CDCC out of the Discover Cullen website. It was decided to go ahead with publicity for CDCC	
		via Facebook and newsletters. This is by far the cheaper option.	
5.	Planning and Licensing Training Event	MM went to Elgin Academy for a short training event for Planning and Licensing. MM felt it was worthwhile. Councillor Cree stated that the Licensing Rules were straightforward. There is a Committee Board in Scotland and the committee can have an input.	
		Cnclr Cree also talked through the various stages of a Planning Application and explained in some detail the length of time and processes this goes through and the infra structure and "opportunities" sites.	
		These rules and regulations are available in the Planning Folder, which covers each detail and process.	
		There is also general information available on Moray Council website under "Planning".	
		Cnclr Cree offered to get all CDCC committee members a	Cnclr Cree

6.	Treasurer's Report	copy (9 in total) of the proposed local Development Plan for Cullen. Cnclr Cree also explained that all local authorities have a 10 year development plan whereby local communities have an input. KA stated that we are waiting on the first bank statement and then he will be in the position of making a report when this has been received. There has been a change of signatories because there is no a new committee.		KA
7.	Correspondence (a) Barometer	In MM received today (27.03.14) a letter from the MFR Inshore Fishery. This letter covered the topic of the Barometer gifted to Cullen and went in to detail about various aspects of its safekeeping and intended usage. Following various aspects of this, MM agreed to write back to the Inshore Fisheries to keep them uptodate with the position and forward their letter to the present keeper of the barometer. There was discussion around the topic of change of ownership of the barometer and that this item was very valuable and therefore the question of insurance came into play. MM has been assured that the Barometer is safe and will be put on public display. As there is no paperwork to prove ownership there has been the suggestion that this could be seen as harassment. Cnclr Cree spoke of the Meteorological Services and spoke of the length of time it would the Council Legal Department to give a legal assessment.	MM	

	(b) (c) Sustainable Schools Review	Litter Free Scotland. For consultation we have been asked to follow on the website. Meeting on 15.04.14 at BCHS. AM to attend.	AM
	(e) Curriculum Reforms	This will take place in Edinburgh on 20.05.14. No one was able to attend.	
	(f)Sustainable Sports	SM will attend	SM
	(f) JCC Meeting	To be held on 08.05.14. SM will attend	SM
8.	Plans for CC events	Harbour Gala. There is an opportunity to raise funds for the CDCC at this event. KA will speak to some of the people in charge of the Harbour Gala and see what the possibilities of the CDCC having a stall at this event will be. Ideas for CC events included:	KA
		 A quiz night A soup and Sweet A Coffee morning Cullen's Got Talent Night, possibly in 2015 Abba Tribute Night Celidh – beginning of Nov. Race Night (at Bowling) 	MM AM MM SM
		Club)-Sept 2014. SM can organise. • Harvest Festival (ask local farmers and fishermen to donate produce) The diary in the Post Office needs to be checked before	KA

12.	Date, Tine and Venue of Next Meeting	Thursday 24 th April 2014, 7.30pm, Cullen Community and Residential Centre		
11.	AOCB	A member of the public suggested that he would visit businesses in Cullen to carry out a survey of what new businesses should be opened. MM suggested that doing a survey without means of implementing suggestions could damage future relations with businesses and hinder replies to any questionnaires we might do via the newsletter.		
10.	Planning Issues	None		
9	Reports from local Councillors	Cnclr Cree spoke to the committee about opening another bank account to safeguard additional fundraising income raised. The two bank accounts can be used for different purposes. eg Bank Account number 1 to be used solely for Admin costs. Bank Account number 2 for fundraising.		
		The subject of Insurance for The Gala was raised and this has to be checked. Queens Baton will be passing through Cullen on 5 th July (Commonwealth Games)	CncIr Cree	
		organising any events in case of clashes.		