

Cullen and Deskford Community Council**29th May 2014 7.30pm at Cullen Community and Residential Centre****Chair:**

Mollie Moon

Attendees

- Mollie Moon
- Kevin Aitken
- Councillor Ron Shepherd
- Anne Morrison
- Steven Mill
- Jackie Kersley
- Jennifer Welsh
- Karen Smith (Minute Taker)

- **MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO ATTENDED**

- Edwin Flett
- Lorna Watson

- APOLOGIES
- Councillor Cree
- Councillor Coull
- Tom Gunn
- T. McLennan (Public)

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Topic		Discussion	Action
1.	Police Update	No Police Report were made available and there was no representation by the Community Police or Community Warden	
2.	Minutes of Last Meeting	The Minutes from the last meeting (24.04.14) were proposed by SM and seconded by AM	
3.	Matters Arising	<p><u>The Play equipment</u> discussed at the last meeting has been repaired and now put back in situ.</p> <p>Cncl Shepherd reminded the committee that there has been a Note of interest re the <u>Harbourmasters office and toilets</u>. No letter has been received by the CC.</p> <p>Cncl Shepherd is going to give MM the name of the person to write to re Asset Transfer, Emergency Planning – JK has this in hand and it is in progress.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>JK</p>
4.	Correspondence	MM has received an email from Bev Baxter to state that the <u>signs for The Salmon Bothy</u> have disappeared. She suggested that this could be possibly due to the high winds, or perhaps they	MM

		<p>were being refurbished or even due to vandalism. B. Baxter is hoping that these signs can be placed as this route is use by a lot of walkers. MM will forward this email to Moray Council. MM received an email from Zillah Jamieson re <u>payment for Data Protection fees</u>. KA will ask Ashley Mowat for clarification as to what this is for.</p> <p><u>Rural Parliament</u> – an email had been received re this. Most the meetings are a distance away from Cullen for any to attend.</p> <p><u>George McNeil, Managing Director of Johnston's in Elgin is looking for connections in China</u>. No-one on the CC could help</p> <p><u>The Scottish Government is changing</u>. Proposed is that Moray loses 1 councillor – which means that it could go from 26 to 25. MM will put this into the PO window to draw people's attention to this and also include this in the Newsletter.</p>	<p>KA</p> <p>MM</p>
5.	Treasurers Report	<p>KA reported that as of 07.05.14 the balance was £4886.01</p> <p>The income was £318.41</p> <p>The outgoings were:</p> <p>£40 to MM (for the newsletter)</p> <p>Minute Takers wages £30</p> <p>£126.23 – Deskford (cheque)</p> <p>And £750 – paid in error to us to Deskford</p> <p>The new balance is now £4202.19</p> <p>A discussion ensued re transferring some this money to Account number 2 but no final figures were decided on</p>	
6.	Events	<p><u>Ceilidh</u> – AM had found out the cost to hire the Bowling Club :</p> <p>Dates available: 2 & 3rd Aug 2014</p> <p>Strathspey Fiddlers have a final rehearsal that weekend. AM waiting to hear back from Steve Brown.</p> <p>Cost of tickets –</p> <p>£8 if stovies were to be served</p> <p>£5 if sandwich, tea, coffee served (which would keep the cost of a ticket down)..</p> <p>AM stated that the Kronnach students arrive in Cullen on 01.08.14 and the group had expressed an interest in attending a Ceilidh last year.</p> <p>KA asked if the funds could be split with a charity. Everyone was in agreement and the charity has to be decided at the next meeting.</p>	
7.	Reports		

	a) Local Councillor(s)	<p>Cncl Shepherd spoke about:</p> <p>(i) <u>The Town Clock</u>. The Moray Council are responsible for the upkeep and Cncl Shepherd is dealing with this matter,</p> <p>(ii) Reported that Alexander Ross's name is now on <u>The War Memorial</u>.</p> <p>(iii) Informed the committee that <u>weed clearing</u> in the area is about to start in 2 weeks time.</p> <p>(iv) Spoke about a proposed <u>new footbridge</u> that Moray Council is going to the August Council meeting for approval, which if passed will probably be erected in 2015. It is currently at the design stage.</p> <p>Cncl Shepherd spoke about the possibility of getting volunteers to help with the <u>Millennium Garden</u>. MM will put a note about this in the Newsletter.</p> <p>Cncl Shepherd is going to contact the Community Services to see if help can be provided by this means.</p> <p>(KA suggested that the Christmas Lights committee could be approached to see if there were anyone willing to assist).</p>	MM KA
	c) A N Other(s)	There is a Coastal Erosion meeting on 16 June 2014 in Garmouth – which will cover coastal erosion for every area.	
8.	Planning Issues	None of consequence to Cullen	
9.	The Joint Community Council of Moray	<u>JCC meeting</u> – SM reported that he had attended this meeting, A lecture from Moray Lifeline was given which was to promote equipment for the disabled and elderly. This can be put in the CDCC Newsletter. MM to phone and get leaflets to go with the Newsletter.	MM
10.	AOCB	<p>Edwin Flett asked if there was any further <u>progress on the harbour management</u>. Cncl. Shepherd reported that it was in the pipeline. 1 person was retiring and the new person, who is starting in July was very experienced.</p> <p>The <u>toilet signs need repainted</u>. KA offered to repaint these.</p> <p>MM and Cncl Shepherd have <u>checked the streets for disabled access</u>. They report that there doesn't seem to be any problem within Cullen for disabled access.</p> <p><u>Cullen Flags</u> – KA has the flags. A discussion took place as to times/dates when it would be appropriate to have the Cullen flag hoisted.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Homecoming 2014 should be commemorated. Armistice Day (Nov) and The</p>	KA

		<p>Ryder Cup.</p> <p>A further discussion took place to discuss the possibility of purchasing some new flags. KA had sourced some online at approx £30. KA will email the committee with details of sizes and costs.</p> <p>Cncl Shepherd advised the committee that the CDCC need permission to put the flags up and each time they wish them to be changed. JK suggested that a list of dates be submitted all at the one time.</p> <p>Although we asked for the CC email account to be cancelled in Discover Cullen this has not happened. This is causing problems so JW will ask David Bates if he knows how to block emails coming from Discover Cullen and MM will ask the local computer business..</p> <p>JW will also ask David Bates if he knows how to block emails coming from Discover Cullen.</p> <p>KA said that a member of the public had asked him about the possibility of having the viaduct (at the Golf Club entrance) lit up with spot lights. Planning permission and funding would need to be sought.</p> <p><u>Co-opted member</u> – the new appointee has had to withdraw. AM suggested that we leave the committee as it stands today – as there is no CDCC meeting in July, August sees a lot of people on holiday and September is the AGM therefore things could change in the interim. The committee agreed with this.</p> <p><u>Calendars.</u> KA gave an update on the sponsors. There are only 8 spaces left.</p> <p>40 @ £25 = £1000, which is the cost of printing.</p> <p>JW has a meeting with the printers on Tues 3rd June 2014. Prices for 500 = £1139</p> <p>750 = £1265</p> <p>1000 = £1390</p> <p>20% VAT has to be added on to these prices.</p> <p>AM to go to the Deskford Tea Room and also the Pottery to ask if they would be interested in sponsorship.</p> <p>JW asked for an exempt item could be added after the meeting.</p> <p>This was granted.</p> <p><u>Judging of the photographs for 2015 Calendars.</u></p> <p>JW had sourced a photography student and 2 other local people, none of whom had any connection to the entrants. These 3 people knew this area well and it was felt that all 3 people were</p>	<p>KA</p> <p>JW</p> <p>JW</p>
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11.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	Thursday 26 th June 2014 at 7.30pm in Cullen Community and Residential Centre	