

Draft Minutes from the Lossiemouth Community Council
21 April 2015, Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

- Mike Mulholland, Stuart Crowther (Sec), Anna-Mary Overing, Cllr Cowe, Cllr McGillivray, John Smart, Tim Stanning (Treasurer), Maureen Garden, Adrian Barksby, Jenni Johnston, John Wood, Dave Hoyle (Police), Steve Carmichael (Police).

Apologies

- Cllr Wright, Cllr Tuke, Tim Betts (community warden), Carolle Ralph

Topic	Discussion	Action
<p>1. Welcome/Police Report/Community Warden report</p>	<p>Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>Police report – no issues of significant concern, usual list included speeding in various parts of the town. Since last report, 23 crimes reported to the April 20 - nine detected and more expected, Crimes include assault, vandalism, theft, disorderly conduct, drink driving and other roads offences.</p> <p>Parked vehicles were damaged, plus damage to pavilion at Station Park has been reported but reliance on help on this from the public as they are difficult to detect.</p> <p>Discussion on camera operation and coverage. Confirmed an operation is being undertaken to monitor doorstep crime.</p> <p>Cllr Cowe – highlighted that issue was resolved on surveillance cameras in the town. CC will investigate cameras being placed at Station Park.</p> <p>Warden Report – Community Warden report was read in Tim Betts absence, noting that reports of feeding seagulls and dog mess were again the main issues.</p>	
<p>2. Previous Minutes/Matters Arising</p>	<p>Minutes of the March meeting were agreed as an accurate record of proceedings with one change on the last page where it read 'West Beach' and should have been 'East Beach'.</p> <p>Arising - Community Trust - progress being made, Seatown Bridge future is high on their priorities noted by the public at the successful coffee morning.</p> <p>Parking outside La Caverna – request that CC address inconsiderate parking – Cllr Cowe has been in discussions over this – members considered that double yellow lines not appropriate at this stage but perhaps better signage can be put in place and Community Warden asked to keep an eye on the situation from time to time.</p> <p>Harbour Bollards – still awaiting a report from Elaine Penny at Moray Council a video survey has</p>	

		<p>been undertaken and is yet to complete studies into that.</p> <p>Letter was received by Cllr Cowe on the roadway down to the West Beach – members agreed that white lines would help down West Beach approach.</p>	
3	Correspondence	<p>1. Only one letter received regarding Moray Taxi Fare Review, members noted that opinions are sought.</p>	

4	Matters Arising from Community Councillors/Councillors	<p>JS - Part of coastal path is not passable in some parts through Lossiemouth. Visit by Canadians next year Sep 29 to Oct 4 2016 – Could CC arrange an event in the town? JC said visitors will be spread throughout Highland/Moray – and suggested this might be more a matter for the Heritage Association.</p> <p>AM - Janis' Tea Room question – reopening in the next month (also Sandwich Bar has reopened).</p> <p>MG – noted issues with bushes on Castle Court at the main road – fence is on main road, area is to be grassed – CC members are content with this.</p> <p>MG - Parks – noted progress is now being made at Tennis Courts.</p> <p>Jeni – Noted that Hythehill Playground covered in glass over Easter – advised by EMcG to advise Environmental Health if it is a particularly serious problem.</p> <p>AB – Joint Warrior week 2 – 6 Squadron leave in May for four months (Baltic Air Patrol) – Experience Days for Lossie High School, first a few weeks ago second will be next month. Friends and families' day July 3 but limited to being a Fete for service personnel.</p> <p>Councillors</p> <p>Councillor Cowe - Cemetery in/out signs are now removed again at the request of CC. Station Park – look to putting camera in place, Trust has made expression of interest in Station Park, cc will support this move. Barrier on Prospect Terrace has been fixed – electrics at lampposts on Clifton Road are also now OK and Council aware of problems at Pitgaveny Road and this is being looked into. East Beach breakwater report was submitted to EDI at MC - £500k spent on harbour wall over next five years (pressure pointing) – 500k on flood defences for Seatown with SEPA – 'watching brief' on the breakwater.</p>	
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5.	Treasurers Report	Tim reported as we were last month, £1794. Will meet Tracy (MC in Stotfield 9.15 Thursday) on Thursday to discuss spending limitations and advice.	
6.	Planning Issues	No new issues reported	
7.	Any other business	<p>Chair confirmed that both with Lynne Wood and Donna Milne recently resigned we had three vacant places.</p> <p>John Wood, Karen Cox and Marian Evans were all proposed as new members subject to their agreeing to accept. [John Wood and Karen Cox have subsequently accepted their nominations]</p> <p>MM – Reminded members that the Seafest Dinner would be held on July 4 with Seafest Day on 11 July – £3000 had been donated by Scottish Food and Drink – aim is to keep it in the same area as last year.</p> <p>AM – raised the issue of Citizen of the Year – agreed mention of this seeking any final nominations would be put in the Northern Scot CC notes.</p> <p>JJ - May 27 and June 3 conservation project with 8 High School pupils – MM to identify a project for them in the community.</p>	<p>SC</p> <p>MM</p>
8.		The next meeting of the community council will be held on Tuesday, May 19 at 7pm, in the Community Centre.	