

## **MEETING OF THE CULLEN AND DESKFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER, 2015**

**Present:** Iain Rennie, Carol Wood, Steven Mill, Stephen McKay, Kevin Aitken, Pauline Aitken, Councillor Ron Shepherd, Ian Grieve

**Apologies:** Tam McLellan, Councillor Cree

**Welcome** - Iain Rennie welcomed all to the Meeting it being the last one for 2015.

**Police** - As there was no Police presence, Iain asked if there was anything the Council needed to speak to them about. Kevin Aitken reported that the Police were to be attending as he had spoken to them regarding the fact that petrol had been syphoned from one of his vehicles. Apparently there has been a spate of robberies in the last few weeks.

**Community Warden** - Carol Wood reported she had been in touch with Moray Council, and at this point Councillor Shepherd intimated that he thought someone has been appointed although no one has been to see Mrs. Gillibrand.

**Ward Councillor** - Councillor Shepherd said he has nothing to report. Kevin Aitken reported that the cherry picker was missing from the flag pole. This will be attended to next year. B. Legge will be contacted.

**Community Issues and Problems** - Lurghill Windfarm Proposal - This has been put forward for Public exhibition in December. Carol Wood will get the arrangements and same will be put on Face Book.

Viaduct Project - The Community Council will need to relinquish any property if necessary.

The Council does have an Insurance Indemnity (Liability Insurance) should anything untoward happen before and after the project goes ahead. It may be that a lease will have to be paid for

Tam McLellan is applying for grants. The Community Council will give £2,000.

A seat is being donated from the family of a deceased person. Steve Mill though one seat would be enough as the quotes Tam has received are a bit over the top at £400+ each. Seats costing £80-£90 may be possible. Kevin suggested it may be a good idea to get volunteers to do the necessary regarding tidying up and preparing the area. After further discussion It was decided to have a meeting to discuss the project fully.

**Minutes Accuracy** - Approved by Steve Mill and seconded by Stephen McKay.

**Matters Arising** - There were no Matters Arising.

**Newsletter** - The new e-mail is working perfectly. Carol asked the Members to inform her as to what format and content they wished for the Newsletter.

Steve Mill informed the Meeting that Cullen Football Club are holding a Race Night at the Grant Arms Hotel on 19th December.

Environment Group - Carol will attend to this.

**Correspondence** - Jane Martin has taken over Tracey Rae's job and will give information about the RAF.

Nothing has been received from JCC.

Rockpool has donated £75 towards the Viaduct project. Carol said all correspondence to come to the Secretary.

**Treasurer's Report** - Fundraising Account - Opening Balance £1,210.86: Outgoings - Minute Taker £30, No Incoming. Closing Balance £1,180.86: Admin Account - Opening Balance £4,206.39: No Outgoing: Incomings = Calendar Sales - £260: Closing Balance £4,466.39.

**Fundraising** - Kevin Aitken suggested the Council has a table at the Christmas Lights Switch On with a raffle (spending 50 - £100) and hopefully the sale of 2016 Calendars. It was also suggested that anyone buying a raffle could purchase a calendar for £4.

Kevin intimated that perhaps the Council should be thinking about setting up the 2017 calendar.

**Planning and Licensing** - Conservatory at Deskford Schoolhouse - applying for consent from Cullen House.  
Carol reported that she receives Planning information every month.

**AOCB -**

**Co-option of New Member** - Carol asked Ian Grieve if he would like to be co-opted and he agreed. The proposal was seconded by Iain Rennie

Kevin informed the Meeting that Monica Lang has asked if the Council would be using her property to store the baskets and this was agreed.

**Date of Next Meeting** - Tuesday 26th January, 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

Iain closed the Meeting and wished everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

**Approved by Carol Wood  
Seconded by Pauline Aitkin**

