


Minutes

Lossiemouth Community Council 18th April 2016, 7pm at Community Centre		
Chair:		Mike Mulholland
Attendees		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heather Sheils (Secretary); Tim Stanning (Treasurer); John Smart; Maureen Garden; Councillor Tuke; Councillor Cowe and Adrian Barksby. Members of the public Alan McDonald, Mat Peden and Rob Cox. 		
Apologies		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies were received from Carolle Ralph and Councillor Dennis Slater 		
Topic	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome Police Report Community Warden report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair opened the meeting at 1900hrs after welcoming all those attending. Constable John Guy (Police Officer) led the discussion. The report covered the period from the 16th March – 17th April 2016. Reported crimes remain at a low level and include instances of vandalism, theft, domestic incidents and road traffic offences. Feedback on police actions in response to matters arising at the previous meeting; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antisocial behaviour – carried out frequent visits to licences premises within the community. Road Safety – targeted areas identified for action. Drug misuse – have executed a number of search warrants to deter and disrupt activity. Air Weapon and Licencing (Scotland) Act 2015 – comes into effect 1st July 2016. The new law requires any person who possesses, purchases, uses, or acquires an air weapon to have a certificate to legally hold them. Karen Cox stated that there still seems to be a problem regarding traffic speed at the bottom of School Brae, making it extremely dangerous for members of the public and the Lollipop lady. There has recently been an accident at that location, when a vehicle crashed into the barrier. The police were asked if it was possible for either 'Slow Lights' or 'Speed Bumps' to be installed in order to deter speeding. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Betts (Community Warden) stated that a lot of cars are being abandoned due to there being no financial benefit in scrapping cars. • There have been a number of complaints about people feeding seagulls. Visitors to the area are often not aware of the problems feeding causes. There is no signage, however there are leaflets to be distributed. • The problem of dog fouling will be tackled by concentrating on high incidence areas and using high profile targeting methods. Fixed penalty fouling charges increased from £40 to £80 on 1st April. Karen Cox asked how much detail should be reported if anyone witnesses dog fouling. Tim Betts replied that the persons name (if known), type of dog and car registration were suffice. 	
2.	Local Community Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were a number of members of the public in attendance at the meeting, however they were there for observation only and no one made any comment. 	
3.	Minutes of Last Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true record of the meeting with minor amendments. • Adrian Barksby's name had been entered twice, therefore one was deleted. • Councillor Chris Tuke and Councillor Dennis Slater's names were added to the meeting attendees for the Group Captain's meeting on the camp. In the same paragraph the wording of 'offer physical help' was changed to 'would ask for volunteers'. 	
4.	Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heather Sheils had a meeting with the Community Council Liaison Officer, Jane Martin, and a number of points were raised. There is Community Council training available on a number of upcoming dates. These dates were put to the committee and a few members volunteered to undertake this training. Maureen Garden will attend on Wednesday 4th May at the Elgin Youth Café. Heather Sheils and Karen Cox to attend on Wednesday 18th May at Elgin Academy. • Tim Stanning was asked to send bank details to Jane Martin so that this year's funding could be allocated. • Jane also stated that Keith Community Radio were keen to broadcast some of the information from Community Council meetings. They have booked to attend our June meeting to discuss this proposal. The committee agreed that when we have guest speakers of interest it would be acceptable to record 	TS

		<p>part of a meeting, but were not keen on the whole meeting being recorded. When the committee were asked to consider purchasing a recording device, Tim Stanning stated that he had a Dictaphone which he no longer required and that he would bring it along to the next meeting for Community Council use.</p>	TS
5.	Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jane Martin asked that anyone wishing to attend the Scottish Rural Parliament contact Gordon, the JCC rep, or herself. 	
6.	Matters from Community Councillors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Councillor John Cowe stated that the owner of the house that went on fire in Prospect Terrace has been tracked down, namely a Mr Gordon Thelby Stewart. A Moray Council representative has spoken to Mr Stewart and members of his family, and Moray Council will continue to deal with this matter. The new high school is to be situated south of the original school, consisting of the school and library only. Two thirds of the money for this project has been allocated by the Scottish Future Trust and the final third by Moray Council. Moray Towns Partnership funded a group visit to a tourist seminar in Edinburgh, in order to publicise tourism in Moray. The pier and breakwater is actually located in Fochabers and Lhanbryde ward, not in Heldon and Laich. A meeting on the beach to look at the breakwater is to be arranged by John Cowe. 	JC
8.	Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tim Stanning advised that there was no change from the last minutes, hence nothing to report. Tim asked Heather if the honorarium could be paid for her secretarial duties every 3 months. Heather agreed to this. 	
9.	Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RAF Liaison person Adrian Barksby reported that there had been a lot of night flying recently and a considerable number of squadron changes on camp. 	
10	Planning Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no planning issues reported. 	
11	AOCB, Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mike Mullholland spoke about the objections to the proposed cycle path from Lossiemouth to Hopeman. The final route is still up for debate however a date has been set in December to apply for funding. Mike Mullholland had received a copy of a letter sent from Derek Mackay to Richard Lockhead which stated that the bollards at the harbour were erected for safety reasons, e.g. no significant barrier on the 	MM

		<p>harbour side and the narrowness of the road. The letter revealed that they would not intervene as the harbour authority was on operational land.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Cox will create a new Facebook page that allows more public access. Heather Sheils and Carolle Ralph will also become administrators on this page. • John Smart asked Adrian Barksby if there was anyone available from the RAF Camp to speak to the Church Guilds. • The next meeting of the community council will be held on 16th May 2016, 7pm, Community Centre. 	<p>KC</p> <p>AB</p>
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Meeting concluded 9.00pm