



Minute of Meeting of Cullen & Deskford Community Council

Date: Tuesday, 18 September 2018

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Cullen Community Centre

Members in attendance:

Stewart Black (Chair)

Colin Burch

Liz Williamson

Phil Lovegrove (Treasurer)

Steve Horrocks (Secretary)

Stan Slater

Councillors: Theresa Coull, Donald Gatt and Ron Shepherd.

Attendees: Bob Harper

1 Opening of meeting:

Stewart opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

2 Apologies

There were no apologies.

3 Outside Agencies Presentations

The Police had advised that they were unable to attend due to ongoing incidents.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting was proposed by Liz and seconded by Phil.

5. Matters Arising

Stewart advised that the wooden posts which hold the lifebuoys are to be repainted by Moray Council (MC).

Liz advised that she was finding difficulty dealing with the bus company about the poor service in the area but said that there was a Transport Seminar on 22 September which she would be attending and she would be asking questions of those present.

6. Councillors Reports

Theresa advised that joint meetings were in progress at MC with a view to decisions being made in relation to Finances.

The post of School Crossing Patroller for Cullen was still being advertised.



7. Treasurer's Report

Phil advised that the Admin. Account contained £610.27 and the Funding Account stood at £2753.26.

8. Correspondence

Steve had received an email from the company who supplied the wreaths for the war memorials last year. It was agreed to purchase wreaths for Cullen and Deskford. **Action:- SH**

There had been more correspondence about the lack of an ATM but the overriding factor was identifying a suitable location. Bob offered to visit businesses in Cullen to find out what problems they were experiencing because there was no ATM.

**9. Current Concerns
Community Centre**

The Community Centre was making good progress and no longer needed to be an Agenda item for CDCC.

Those wishing to contact the Cullen Community and Resource Centre could do so by emailing info@cullencrc.org.uk

Town Hall

There was no new information about the town hall.

10. Toilets

Bob Harper advised the meeting that the toilets in the Square and at the links were both in need of major refurbishment. MC had been provided the previous day with a list of requests for work to be done. Bob said that the Toilet Group would have expenses but they expected fund raising would cover these. He asked if CDCC would provide a £500 "buffer" if needed in the event of a temporary shortfall in fundraising. Stewart said that he would give Bob an application form. **Action:-SB**

11. AOCB

Stewart spoke about a broken handrail at the harbour. Theresa said that she would be attending a meeting of the Harbour Committee on Monday and would report this. **Action:-TC**

There was a discussion about the lack of cleaning of drains and gullies throughout the area. Stewart said he would report this to MC. **Action:-SB**



Stewart advised that he now had the seat which had been the subject of a donation. A suitable location had to be identified and then an assessment of what work needed to be done to provide a base for it.

Stewart reported that weeds had been scraped from the pavements in North Castle Street and he had arranged with the street sweeper to pick these up if they were swept into the gutter on his fortnightly clean.

Steve read out a letter of resignation which had been received from Dennis Paterson. Colin proposed that a letter be sent to Dennis thanking him for his huge contribution to CDCC and the Cullen area. Stewart seconded this.

Action:-SH

Stewart spoke of the need to have a new CDCC Facebook page which members of the committee could use to post items and make comments without using their own Facebook accounts. Stan said he would progress this.

Action:-SS

Liz advised that arrangements were proceeding well for the Variety Night on Saturday 10 November at the Cullen Bowling & Tennis Club. She had prepared posters and the entry fee would be £10.

Steve had received an email complaining about the lack of response to an earlier email about a Planning matter which had been discussed at the CDCC meeting in June. The earlier email had been forwarded to Stewart for attention some weeks previously. Stewart advised that he had not been able to reply to this email because a member of staff at MC had been unavailable. He said that he would now reply. **Action:- SB**

12. Date, time and venue of next meeting

The meeting closed at 2130 hours. The next meeting will take place at 1900 on Tuesday 16 October 2018 at Deskford Community Centre.