

**Lossiemouth Community Council  
Minutes of Meeting**

**Date: 24 June 2019**

**Time: 7:00 PM**

**Location: Community Centre**

**Chair: Mike Mulholland**

**Attendees:**

Amanda (St. Ger's parent Council), Marian Evans, Stewart Mason, Carolle Ralph, Mike Mulholland, Kristi Corbett, Tim Stanning, Callum Luce, James Allen CLLR, Amy Patience CLLR.

**Apologies:**

Louise McBride, Maureen Garden, Stewart Garden, Claire Edwards, Ryan Edwards, John Straw, John Cowe

**Agenda:**

**Police Update:**

No major issues and no representative.

As a community we would like to see more of a presence from the bike cops, as the community council funded their kit for them.

**RAF Update:**

No rep, we have asked what their procedure is for no representative being available for the meetings.

**Amanda, St. Geradine's Parent Council: School Crossing Patrol-**

The school cannot take on liability and only Moray Council can give someone the authority to stop traffic.

Moray Council will not let us fund the patrollers and hire them, Moray Council no longer wants the liability or the responsibility for the school crossings. It is not something that they are obligated to provide. Moray Council has said that it is the parent's responsibility to get their children to school safely.

Tarmac has said that they will donate £3,000 towards school crossing patrollers, we will ask if the money could be repurposed to help provide warning signs or zebra crossings.

Carolle will write to Moray Council about the possibility of zebra crossings, both at St. Geraldine's, and in front of the Community Centre/High School, the places where the school crossing patrollers were.

There has been an admin error at the company that is installing the lights at the bottom of the school brae so they have been delayed we do not have a time frame for when they will be installed.

The community/parent's council understands that at this point the Lossiemouth Community Council has done everything that they can and exhausted all our resources trying to save the school crossing patrols and appreciates the effort that has been put forward.

**Minutes of May Meeting:**

Update to attendance: James Allen was at the meeting.

**Matters Arising:**

**1- VE Day Celebration 2020:** We will hold a celebration on 9<sup>th</sup> of May.

Marian will book the Town Hall and the RAF Lossiemouth Voluntary Band.

The current plan is to hold a VE Day Ball in the evening with WW2 recipes for food and have a

simple service that morning to remember those who fought.

2- **Float for Christmas Lights:** We will not be entering a float in the parade.

3- **Gardening:** The high vis vest are now in and have the CC logo on them, we will be able to wear them when working around town.

The July Community Council meeting will be weeding down on the Esplanade and the Square and then going for a meal for those who want to.

We need to give Linda Crowther money towards the beds that she's been maintaining.

There are two more planters in the square that need flowers, we also need to find a way to let people know what needs watering so that they are not watering weeds.

4- **Public Toilets:** We have £3,000 in funds in the bank for the public toilets, we might need to see about extending what these funds are for and start using them for other maintenance around the town, like cutting the grass. It was mentioned that the grass at Marine Action Park needs cutting and extra funds from the toilets could be used towards that.

The name the Lookout for Lossie Fund was discussed and would allow us to give the town a better idea of what we are raising money for.

5- **Cemetery:** There have been complaints in the Press and Journal and on the Community Council Facebook page about ornaments going missing from graves in the cemetery, we need to ask people to report incidents like this to the police so that they can increase patrols and awareness in the area.

6- **Car Parking Charges:** LBA had requested that we discuss this but there was no official LBA rep at the meeting. The Parking fees will be at the East and West Beach and go into effect in September, there was no public consultation, and this is what the LBA wanted to discuss, they will have to take it to Moray Council for further action. The charge will be £1 a day for parking. The LBA fears that this will make other areas too crowded and increase traffic in areas that are already overwhelmed with it.

7- **Town Centre Fund Bid:** See email from Carolle, she has submitted a bid for an Interactive Heritage Trail through Lossiemouth

8- **Osprey Housing Plan:** LBA objects due to parking concerns, the new plans are smaller and more acceptable but there was no consultation.

9- **Citizen of the Year:** discussion deferred until July

10- **Community Fund:** See Public Toilets notes

11- **Scottish Ambulance Service:** Changing the way calls are handled to ensure that those with a more critical need are handled first.

12- **Sale of plot at 5 Coulard Bank:** No objections

13- **Lollipop People:** See Parent Council discussion

14- **Community Council Membership Updates:** Mike will speak with members regarding their membership.

We need updated contact information for members and to get the proper paperwork in place.

Kristi will email those who need to update their paperwork.

15- **Summer Get Together:** We will sort out a time later.

## **Correspondence:**

Link is looking at putting a cash machine in town, we are unsure if this would be a pay to use one or a free to use cash machine.

## **6- Community Councilors Issues:**

Waiting for Ombudsman on the banking issues.

Nationwide bank has said that it will be at least 2 years before they look at expanding into new branches.

Metal money boxes are being made for the toilets.

The caravans are becoming an issue at Station Park, the idea of having a barricade of some sort to prevent them from entering the parking lot was suggested. They are emptying waste and such into the toilets that should not go into them and this is causing clogging, flooding and damage. One idea was to have a sign put over the entrance to the parking lot that will limit the height of the vehicles allowed in.

We have decided that the Community Centre defibrillator will be moved to St. Geraldine's and that we will request additional training.

It was suggested that we have a community notice board somewhere in the town. James Square, the Community Centre and somewhere on the Esplanade were all suggested as locations.

#### **7- Councilors Updates:**

Full Council Meeting on 27 July to go over management reports from the independent consultant.

#### **8- Treasurers Report:**

£6,500 in the bank, this includes the funds for the flowers and the Station Park toilets.

Tim will order the Red Ensign so that the community will have one to fly.

Tim has registered as our data protection officer.

#### **9- Chairman's Updates:**

MP and MSP have both written to the golf club about the cycle track and the golf club is now willing to meet for a presentation.

#### **10- Planning Issues:** None

#### **11- Date and Time of Next Meeting:**

TBD for weeding and going out for an informal meeting/chat after.