

## Lossiemouth Community Council Minutes of Meeting

**Date:** 18/11/19

**Time:** 7:00

**Location:** Lossiemouth Community Centre

**Chair:** Mike Mulholland

**Attendees:** Mike Mulholland, Carolle Ralph, Kristi Corbett, Louise McBride, Fiona Burse, Jane Martin, Gina McNicoll, Maureen Garden, Stuart Garden, John Cowe, Neil Morrison Police Scotland, Kerry Rigg Police Scotland, Ryan Edwards

Apologies: Claire Edwards, Tim Stanning, Callum Luce, Stuart Mason, CLLR James Allan

### **Agenda:**

**1- Police Update:** See emailed Police Report, there have been several incidents of violence and of cars being broken into.

There is a new Community Officer who is prioritizing drug abuse in the communities.

Police have a Safer Communities Department who have a drug awareness program, Be Smart Life Choices that they will come and present at the schools if they are invited.

With their Safer Crossings campaigns with the schools they are finding most of those who are speeding and parking illegally are parents.

Once the School Brae is reopen they will start their patrols with the students again and the RAF Police will be working with them.

Police are looking into commissioning a video and possible signage for the safer crossings and roads campaign.

Jane Martin will work with Kerry Rigg to work on linking the Police twitter with a Facebook page so that updates can be shared easier with the community facebook pages.

There is the possibility that we could get Public Health funds to assist with the school crossings.

### **RAF Update:**

Between Sept & Nov we had over 400+ plus personnel from LOS deployed overseas.

The Lossie Development Programme progress:

Formal countdown to the arrival of 1st P-8A in Feb 20 has officially begun!

Work on the runway resurfacing has begun.

There will be a number of community consultations and info evenings held locally to ensure the wider community is kept up to speed as the plans firms up.

1st and 2nd P-8A will arrive and operate from Kinloss airfield.

They will be practicing emergency drills at Kinloss in due course.

The working target is to have runway operational, new strategic facility open and P-8As brought back to Lossie by the end of summer 2020

In terms of local community activities, LOS is supporting the national Road Safety Week and is providing sessions at 6 primary schools in the region St Gerardines was attended 18/11/19

They are also doing a big push in the run up to Christmas on drone safety and getting word out about safe operation of drones around RAF Lossiemouth and have asked that the Lossiemouth Community Council assist with getting the word out by sharing their Facebook posts on the subject.

### **3- Minutes of Oct. Meeting:**

Buckie received a letter back about their complain on the Town Centre Fund and the JCC is going to now follow up with a FOI request and write a letter as well.

Carolle delivered the silver cup for the flower show and has left a cheque with them to use towards next years show.

The Station Park toilets are now drained and locked for the year and will reopen in March. If we choose to take them on again next year they will need some maintenance.

We need to compile a report showing what the cost of running the toilets was vs if we didn't have to pay the business rates and present it to the local charities to see if one would be willing to take on the lease to assist us.

Carolle has ordered the trees for the National Tree planting day and Mike will speak to Lilly about the gardening committee planting them.

Gina is sorting out a banner for fundraising, she is going to get the contact information for Ricky Scott from Jane Martin to speak to him about making the banner.

### **4- Matters Arising:**

Bridge Update:

There was a meeting last week between the LCC, LCDT, LBA, Moray Council, Scottish government, HIE, various other agencies and chaired by Architecture Design Scotland. We are awaiting a statement from Moray Council which will clarify the current position. It was agreed that any statement from the 3 local groups should be shared and will be attached to the minute of this meeting when it becomes available.

Cycle Track Update:

Positive progress is being made and the committee is in place. The first funding application has gone in and if it is not approved we can reapply in May.

Amenities Bills: Gina has set up online billing for the gas and electric bills and has them at the correct tariffs and with accurate readings.

We do need to look for other suppliers, preferably ones that do not have standing charges. If we can get one of the local charities to help it will also reduce the costs.

Elgin Common Good fund owns the Esplanade toilets not the council, this could cause issues for us if we need to take them over next year.

Banking: We can set up a separate account for the fundraising for the community projects. We could set this one up with online banking to make it easier to track and use the funds.

Safer Crossings Update: See Police update.

Penny to a Pound was successful and between that and the dress down day we raised almost £2000.

Mike is waiting to hear back from Tulloch's on the cost and Tarmac may be able to supply the materials needed.

The Co-Op is willing to help anyway that they can and they are also looking into a possible community funding options.

We are going to continue on with our fundraising efforts as we have included a disclaimer that any excess funds will be used for community projects.

Christmas Lights: Gina has the rota for manning the stall. We can set it up at 11:00 day of. We will not be reopening the Station Park toilets for the event.

Citizen of the Year: Posters are being put up by Stuart Garden and nominations will be open until Dec. 13 we will vote on the nominees in January.

#### **5- Correspondence:**

There is a training on Nov 26, on the drafting of the Corporate Plan for Moray Council on how the services will be run. It is at 6:30 in the Elgin Town Hall, Mike, Kristi and Louise will be attending.

The trees have been ordered and Mike will speak to Lily about getting them planted

School Tour for the new high school is 17/12/19 Louise and Carolle will attend.

Meeting for the A96 Dualling is 10/12/19 in Elgin

Food Growing Strategy is 21/11 4-7 in Elgin Town Hall

#### **6- Community Councilors Issues.**

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

CLLR Cowe- Moray Council will not make any money off of the sale of the burnt home on Prospect Terrace, they will collect any legal fees and back taxes from the proceeds of the sale and the rest will be put into a secure account for the owner to claim.

The Recycling Centre in the industrial estate will close by the end of January.

CLLR Edwards – The Trust and the Town Hall have both put in expressions of interest for the current library building for after it moves to the new Community Centre. If the Town Hall takes it on they could lose their current status on their amenities.

CLLR Allan - Moray Council is satisfied that the fencing on the bridge is adequate and will not be putting up any other barriers. Also a reminder that the Community Council does not pay for use of the Community Centre.

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

None

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

Mike will be meeting with Kinloss Barracks about what they can do to help our community.

He will be with a member of the community about a clearing the rocks at the West Beach again.

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

#### **11- Date and Time of Next Meeting: 20 January 2020, 7:00 PM**