



Minute of Meeting of Cullen & Deskford Community Council

Date: Tuesday, 20 April 2021

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Online meeting

Members in attendance:

Stewart Black (Chair)

Colin Burch

Steve Horrocks (Secretary)

Phil Lovegrove (Treasurer)

Bruce Edelston

Associate Member: Stan Slater

Councillors: Theresa Coull, Donald Gatt, Laura Powell

1 Opening of meeting

The meeting was opened and all were thanked for their attendance. All present confirmed that they had no objection to the proceedings being recorded. The recording will be deleted once the minutes are finalised.

2. Outside Agency Presentation

Roger McMichael of Oceanwinds said that 30 of 100 turbines had been installed at the Moray East Wind Farm. He showed a map of the route of the area covered by the onshore section of the West Wind Farm and said that the timetable was still for planning submissions in July and August and construction was expected to start in 2022 with the first power export in 2024. There would be a mail drop nearer the time of onshore work to those living within 2km of the cable corridor. More information can be found at www.moraywest.com

Roger asked if he could be notified of any events in the area planned for the summer at which they might be able to hold a presentation.

Police Scotland had been invited to attend but did not.

3. Previous Minutes

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Bruce and seconded by Phil.

4. Matters Arising Friends of Cullen

A sub-committee comprising of Colin, Phil and Steve had been formed to consider a request for funding from the Friends of Cullen for a refurbishment of the toilets as required by the Covid regulations. It was agreed by the sub-committee that CDCC would grant £2,000 from the Covid Fund and underwrite the remainder of the amount they may need, that being £1535-46, if they do not receive sufficient contributions from toilet users.



A98 Road Sweeping

Theresa had emailed the Roads Dept. of Moray Council (MC) on 22 March but had not yet had a reply. She would follow this up. Phil said the sweeper was still following the same route.

Viaduct Fence

Stewart said the repair would be carried out soon.

Electric Vehicle Charge

Colin said this would be fully connected in the week commencing 26 April.

Speeding Survey

Colin had contacted Kevin Price (MC) who said that although not guaranteed, he expected the speed surveys to take place on the dates requested.

Links Car Park

The renovations to the fence had been done by Colin and Stewart.

Harbour Beach

Laura said there was a meeting of the Three Harbours Group on Thursday and she would find out who was responsible for clearing the seaweed.

5. Councillors Reports

Theresa was involved in auditing and the interviews for a new Head of Housing. Donald said that in the run up to the Scottish Parliament, councils were not allowed to make major decisions. He had been involved in Armed Forces benevolent and welfare issues. Laura had been involved in cases of vulnerable adults whose houses were being used by drug dealers.

6. Treasurer's Report

Phil reported that the Admin Account was the same as last month, £376.81 and the Fundraising Account, which included £2495.22 of Covid Funding, contained £6936.75.

7. Correspondence

Cullen Golf Club

An email and various other complaints had been received about the spotlights at the Golf Club which were so bright as to be blinding. Stewart said he and Colin had previously spoken to people at the club about the lights but nothing had been done. It was agreed that CDCC would write to the club asking for these to be removed as they were a nuisance. **Action:- SH**

8. AOCB

Flowers

The flowers for the planters would be delivered to Stewart.



47 Seafield Street

Stewart said there had been no recent progress. Laura confirmed that no Council Tax was owed on the property and Stewart said he would contact the people in Canada to advise them of this. **Action:SB**

Cullen ATM

Stewart confirmed that the Co-op would have an ATM when it reopened and there was the possibility of a second one elsewhere in the town.

Bins

It was agreed to defer discussion on the matter of additional rubbish bins because new information had come in on the day of the meeting which would need to be assessed before deciding on further action.

Wild Flower Planting

Bruce confirmed he was collating suggested locations for wild flower planting. He was also having discussions about the Millennium Wood near the school.

Zoom Licence for CDCC

It had previously been agreed that CDCC would purchase a Zoom licence. Phil would progress this. **Action:- PL**

Logie Park

There will be a meeting on 23 April at 1000hrs at Logie Park with MC officials, Theresa and Donald and residents. Stewart and Colin would try to attend.

Bus Shelter in Cullen Square

Colin said the installation of the new bus shelter had been delayed by Covid but should resume soon.

Discover Cullen

Colin said that this organisation had just launched a new website.

Wellbeing Survey

Colin was disappointed that the results of the Wellbeing Survey were still not available. He will pursue the matter. **Action:-CB**

Lintmill Defibrillator

Colin said a meeting had taken place with Andrew Murray and he now awaited an estimate for connecting the power supply. Stewart said he would update Seafield Estates. **Action:- SB & CB**



Mercat Cross

Stewart said that progress is being made with MC but that a condition report was needed. He would continue to progress the matter. **Action:- SB**

Moray Wellbeing Survey

Colin said that although it appeared that not everyone had got a form, a large number of forms had been returned and Moray Wellbeing will collate and assess the information.

Links Car Park

Stewart will order the hardcore. **Action:- SB**

8. Date and time of next meeting

Tuesday 18 May 2021 at 1900 hours.