

Lossiemouth Community Council Minutes of Meeting

Date: 16th July 2021

Time: 19:00

Location: New Library

Chair: Carolle Ralph

Attendees: Louise McBride, Gina McNicoll,, Peter White, Fiona Birse , John Cowe, Kirsty Middleton, , Maureen Garden.

Apologies: Marian Evans, Tim Stanning Harry Halkett, Kristi Corbett, James Allan, Ryan Edwards

Agenda:

1- Police Update: No Update

RAF Update: Please refer to update which was sent prior to meeting

3- Minutes of June Meeting:

No additions or changes

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4- Matters Arising:

Seafest Stall Update: Great afternoon. Raised £370 plus 30 from Toilet donation boxes. Big thanks to everyone who helped. This money will be allocated for the Toilets and plants

Campervan Update: See update from Marian.

Letter sent to Mr. Christie by John Cowe asking again whether he is interested in providing campervan spaces. Awaiting reply

Campervan people not happy with signs about no overnight parking or limited parking as both Harry and Gina discovered on talking directly to them.

Community Council Elections

Everyone who wishes to remain part of the community council will have to apply again. The application process begins on August 24th. There are 10 positions available. If more than 10 applicants, then there will be a postal election coordinated by MC

Funding Community Projects

Once we have a new Community Council, brainstorming sessions will be organized to discuss ways to raise money for Community Projects. We will no longer “ring fence” for specific projects.

Community Gardens and Brown Bins:

Still waiting for brown bins after numerous follow ups with MC . Carolle will contact Sharon and find out why not. A member of the Rotary has volunteered to fix the watering system in the Square. Again many thanks to all our volunteers.

Car Parking at New School/Community Centre:

Still an ongoing discussions . Mr Leadbitter does agree that more parking is required BUT as usual finance could be an issue.

Also proposing that the road should be a one way system once all the work has been completed

Esplanade Toilets (Moray Council)

In one word **disgusting** . Discussion with Moray Council will take place to see what they can do to ensure that these toilets are clean and functional.

Defibrillators:

2 electrical companies have volunteered to install the 3 defibs . Big Thanks

Bins: The bin at top of ramp has not been replaced .MC say they have no money. John Cowe will contact MC .

Charity Bins at Shore Street:

Not being emptied on a regular basis. Many black bags and other items just dumped at side. Moray Council having to clean up . They are reviewing whether to remove these charity bins completely

Shore Street Poo Bins

2 additional bins have been erected on Shore Street

Bridge Update

Planning approval has been given

Awaiting Marine License and final design of bridge. Both hopefully available in October

Construction will take approx. 6 months

Future Meeting Place

We will try both the Youth café and Marine Park for 1 meeting each and then decide which one is more suitable. We may have to look for other alternatives

Electrical Charging Points

The 2 at Station Park are very slow and would make sense to change them to more efficient chargers
Points could be installed within the school carpark. John Cowe to investigate

Signage

This was raised by Louise in that we may need to have signs explaining what Community Council is about and what our responsibilities are. Community Council polo shirts/sweatshirts should be considered again. Name badges. . Promote the Community Council and the work we do

Coulard Bank Housing Estate

Louise raised the issues with the footpaths and just the general look of this housing area. Overgrown trees, uneven pavements. John Cowe said that in the past Moray Council used to do a walk around in different areas of the town. He will suggest that this needs to be done.

LCDT Update:

Cycle Track project is work in progress Have meetings organized with Moray Golf Club and the RAF

The five-year plan survey has been completed and they hope to have the top10 projects which the people of voted ready by the end of this week and then circulated to all groups for review.

Skate Park: At design stage . It will require planning approval before funding can be obtained.

Correspondence : None

6- Community Councilors Issues:

Peter White: Cemetery carpark and roads need refurbishment.

John Cowe confirmed that repair work will take place in September

Gina – Bus stop on Muirton Road has been vandalized once again.

Peter: he will report this to Moray Council

7- Councilors Updates:

John Cowe: Medical surgeries which supported Hopeman ,Burghead and Cummington are closed.

The community organisations are discussing what they can put in place to allow easy access to medical help.

Scottish water have confirmed that their facility at Gregory Place carpark would be able to support the Surf school requirement for toilet/shower and campervan waste disposal unit (if this will be required in the future)

Funding: Community Council could obtain funding from the Boyd Anderson Trust and the Participary budget - to be discussed.

The Lighthouse group have erected a barrier at their parking area so would not be willing to allow overnight stays for campervans

RAF Training school will be managed by Moray College UHI

Campervans: Only 3 complaints have been received by Moray Council one of which was from a Campervan person who is concerned about the bad publicity

8- Treasurers Report:

General Account+Tarmac	£4841 £5000 (9841)	
School Crossing/community	£7811.09	
Station Park Toilets	£1349.50	
Gardening	£560	
Food Larder	£616	

Total		£20,177

9- Chairman's Updates:

Vaccine Centre will require volunteers starting October

Joint Community Council All areas in Moray having issues with Seagulls . JCC will make this a top priority with Moray Council.

Don Ritchie recognition: Suggested that new 3G pitch to be names after him. Maureen will ask Stuart to investigate

Mike Mulholland : Still need to come up with an idea to remember him by

Night out to be organized for those members who are standing down this year as a thankyou for their work over the years

Charity shop in Queens Street booked for first 2 weeks in November

10- Planning Issues: None

11- Date and Time of Next Meeting: 20th September, Youth Café 7pm