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Minutes of Meeting of Cullen & Deskford Community Council

14 December 2021

Via Zoom

Present

Colin Burch (Chair)
Phil Lovegrove (Treasurer)
Bruce Edelsten (Secretary)
Ernest Kopp (Planning)
Tony Jannetta (Minutes)
Councillor Theresa Coull
Councillor Donald Gatt
Councillor Laura Powell

In Attendance

Inspector Graham Worton – Police Scotland
Keith Davidson – case worker for MSP Karen Adams

1. Welcome

Colin Burch opened the meeting at 19.01

2. Apologies

Stewart Black (Vice Chair)

3. Outside Agencies Report

Inspector Worton discussed Police visibility, seasonal drink and drive emphasis and communications / contact in emergency situations, re storm Arwen. An information leaflet to clarify means of contact is to be distributed with the CullenConnected newsletter. There followed some questions and discussion on the designated area of contact and safe zones.

Councillor Powell and others outlined the importance of personal resilience in an emergency: having a spare corded phone, means of non-electric cooking / heating, a battery or wind up wireless, candles etc.

Keith Davidson on behalf of MSP Karen Adam introduced himself saying he was there to gather information on the Harbour toilets. He was referred to the November meeting minutes which would be published at the end of the meeting

4. Minutes of previous meeting

The November meeting minutes were proposed by Phil Lovegrove and seconded by Ernest Kopp.

5. Treasurer's Report

Phil Lovegrove reported the admin account as £193.37 and the fundraising account as £3824.03. There had been donations of £300 and £600. Outgoings included a £50 donation (with Aviva match funding) towards Community centre, payment for memorial benches, and travel expenses.

Colin Burch's signature for the revised bank mandate has still to be arranged.

6. Secretary's report

Various e-mails were received during the past month. As far as Bruce Edelsten was aware they were all sent to the general CDCC e-mail address so will have been seen by everyone else.

Bruce Edelsten had contacted Bruce McLaren, Chair of Deskford Community Association, and will keep him informed on matters of relevance and it was agreed to notify him of future CDCC meetings.

It was agreed the CDCC officer's reports would be circulated to the Moray Councillors prior to CDCC meetings.

7. Councillors' reports

Laura Powell, Donald Gatt and Theresa Coull detailed the various meetings attended; adult support and protection including warning signs of "cuckooing"; a cross council roads working group, electric vehicle charging and hydrogen infrastructure ideas, and some local examples e.g., Kintore charging park.

Emergency business forum meeting and help due to Covid-19 Omicron variant – the link to the Moray Business Gateway and e-mail addresses of local MSPs to be posted on Facebook **(B. Edelsten)**

Donald Gatt was asked if he'd investigated the surface to Cullen recycling site specifically by the cardboard skip. Ongoing.

8. Resilience planning

While Cullen has a draft resilience plan, the Moray wide plan will be developed with Moray Joint Community Council (JCC) in new year with the aim to provide a resume leaflet to each household.

9. Planning Officer's Report

Nothing of Significance

10. Current Business

a) Harbour Toilets

The previous minutes contain the details. Not much information as there is a statutory process to go through.

b) Lintmill Defibrillator

Andrew Murray has the defibrillator, and it is hoped it will be fitted by Christmas.

- c) Certificates of Recognition
No progress – action **Colin Burch**
- d) Motor home / camper van facilities at Port Long
No update
- e) Speed Survey – A98 outside community centre.
A response from Transportation, Environmental and Commercial Services, Moray Council confirmed the last speed survey in Cullen was undertaken in 2017. The data gathered was from a point by the community centre which shows that the average speeds coming into Cullen are 29.5mph and leaving Cullen are 32.5mph. Bruce Edelsten subsequently requested more detail which will be presented at the next meeting.
- f) Millennium Wood
There has been some progress resolving ownership.
- g) Logie Park play area
The on-line survey generated 87 responses and Colin outlined some of the survey results: a seaside theme being preferred along with climbing facility, an all-access roundabout, better surface (or reposition slightly uphill) and seats / picnic benches. These responses are to be worked on to form a plan. Although funding for this facility is aimed at primary age there was thoughts toward teen / adult provision in Cullen as a skate / bike facility was also popular in the survey.
- h) Poppy wreaths / Remembrance Day
The guides had detailed their expenditure. Colin Burch as requested they forward any receipts and relevant bank details.
- i) Town Flowers
To be progressed
- j) Merket Cross
There was a meeting in Cullen on Wednesday 8th involving Heritage Group, 3KA and CDCC. The result being a group willing to go looking for money to get everything ship-shape. Stewart Black e-mailed images of the top of the Merket Cross which appeared to show the unicorn in a hazardous condition, potentially a danger to the public with a large crack at the bottom, the gap between the legs and the shield on the unicorn. Currently, concern has been passed to Stephen Cooper via Colin Bell, Craig Wilson, Alex Burrell, and Geoff Newell.
- k) Lurg Hill Wind Farm
Details of the exhibition in Deskford were posted on Facebook and the chair of Deskford Community Association informed.
- l) Aultmore Wind Farm
On Wednesday 8th December, Colin Burch, Phil Lovegrove and Bruce Edelsten met via Teams with Ruth Liddicoat of Liddicoat PR Consultancy, who is supporting Vattenfall with the communications and engagement work on this project and had a wide-ranging discussion.

11. AOCB

- a) Cullen square Defib
The defibrillator box in the square is flashing red, which is possibly a fault on the box, though the defibrillator will still be working. To be checked in differing ambient temperatures.
- b) Moray West Windfarm
Representatives from Ocean Winds, the joint developers of the Moray West wind farm have requested to attend the February 2022 meeting.
- c) Draft Active Travel Strategy
This is going out to public consultation in January 2022. When the details are available, they will be posted on Facebook.

d) Judy's Lane streetlights

The pavement was dug up and new cables installed between the streetlights, but several are not working. Phil Lovegrove to forward the details to Donald Gatt.

12. Date of next meeting

18 January 2022

Meeting closed at 20.50

These minutes will be presented for approval at the next prescribed meeting of the Community Council then, within 14 days of approval, circulated to Community Council members, other appropriate parties, and the Moray Council Community Council Liaison Officer.