

**Lossiemouth Community Council
Minutes of Meeting**

Date: 20 Sept 2021

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Chair: Carolle Ralph

Attendees: Peter White, Ryan Edwards, Kristi Corbett, Kirsty Middleton, Fiona Birse, Gina McNicoll, Carolle Ralph, John Cowe, Louise McBride, Marian Evans, Tim Stanning, Harry Halkett

Apologies: James Allan

Agenda:

1- Police Update:

Police cannot attend Zoom meetings,

They have taken on board the noise complaints about the Coulard Bank Inn.

RAF Update: Fraser Bowie has moved on and they are looking for new reps to the Community Council. There will be night flying through mid-October.

3- Minutes of Aug Meeting:

Per Gina the £400 from Seafest (£370 from stall, £30 donation) went into the toilets fund.

We attempted to get the defibs installed at the toilets and Community Centre, but we need a council approved electrician to do it.

Ryan asked about having the one at Guiddi's covered up for now, at Carolle's request he will speak to David Guiddi about it.

Ryan and John have both inquired with Moray Council about why we don't have plastic bins at the Shore Street Recycling. They have not heard back.

Per Peter the bus shelter has been repaired.

4- Matters Arising:

26 September Beach Clean/litter pick: From Marian, there will be two locations, the West Beach and the River. The Rotary Club will take the lead on the River clean-up.

She will get the risk assessment sorted and pick up the supplies from Moray Council as well as arrange for Moray Council to pick up the rubbish.

We are starting early due to the low tide and she will need to conduct a survey about what type of litter is picked up.

Marian will speak with Marion at the Ponderosa to let her know what is going on.

Garden Volunteers: Per Gina the volunteers have done an amazing job this year and wants to know if we can donate for them to have an afternoon tea. She has suggested that we have it at the Youth Café which Kirsty and Louise approved. The CC voted and approved the funds to sponsor the tea.

Parking at CC: Graham Leadbitter is waiting for a reply to find out if the ground is suitable for parking etc. The school is no longer using the disabled parking so all four spots are available for community use. Moray Council is willing to investigate funding for additional parking from the Scottish Government. The

landscaping plans can be amended if funding is found for additional parking. We will leave it in Moray Council's hands at this point.

We do need to investigate getting public feedback on the Community Centre parking. Louise proposed having a survey at the Soup and Sweet events.

Toilets, Flowers etc. : See email update from Carolle on toilets.

Gina is worried about working in partnership with MC, it is a worry that they will not hold up on their end.

No one objected to the plan to work with MC on the Esplanade Toilets.

Flowers: supposed to have a meeting with Liz McKnotter about the planters but the meeting has been postponed. We are hoping to raise enough money from the charity shop to pay for the flowers.

Ryan Edwards reminded us that the Boyd Anderson Trust is still available to pay for the flowers or gardening projects.

We've applied for the Queen's Canopy project.

Joint project with LBA and LCDT: A project targeting the new bridge. Station Park and the Esplanade. They have applied for funding for a project, looking at something like an outdoor gym. Ryan suggested that due to where we live and the climate here it may not be well used, Marian and Harry agreed with him.

There are other options like planters, benches, possibly an outdoor shower at the esplanade. Anything on the land at Station Park would need a Community Asset Transfer.

We have been contacted by a local art graduate who is interested in helping with the Sea Wall art as a community art project. We are organizing a meeting with Fiona Shearer to see what can be organized.

Park at Cromarty Place: We have had complaints about people driving through the Red Park while children are playing. People are doing this to park closer to their homes.

There is a parking issue in the area that Ryan Edwards has been working with Estates on for three years. Cars have been vandalized when they haven't been parked close to the homes but the safety of children is paramount. John Cowe has been told that bollards would be installed at the park to prevent people driving through it.

The Inspector is going to investigate all the cars parked in the area with no road tax and with the fire department about accessibility in the area.

The Red Park is very rundown looking, we will add a revamp to our planning day.

Community Council Elections: Applications must be in by Sept. 30, an election will only be called if there are more than 10 candidates. If there are 10 or less we will carry on as normal with an inaugural meeting in Oct. or Nov.

Vandalism at High School: We have had 2-3 reports of vandalism over the weekend, one incident was right in front of the CCTV cameras. We need to publicize that there are CCTV cameras in the area.

Community Relief Update:

From Louise, there is a small pot of money that will be used to help people resocialize with a series of courses held at the youth café.

Baby Massage

Kids Photography

Art Programme.

There will also be a weekly Soup and Sweet at the Football Club that will be a pay what you feel community meal.

We may need to use some of our Covid funds to help fund them at the beginning.

Louise will also be speaking to TSI about a hospital transition project that is being offered.

2-3 Group is signing a lease on a new space that will house all the projects.

Campervan Update: See the emailed update.

The committee will also be contacting the Forestry Commission about what we can do and they are meeting with a local landlord.

John Cowe spoke with a ranger about speaking with the committee.

LCDT Update: the main focus currently is the cycle path. They had a very disheartening meeting with the golf course. The golf course does not want the cycle track near them or on their lands. We are hoping for a compromise, currently the golf course would require any fences to be the same height as those around the camp. Sustrans won't fund breaking the fence line around the camp for the cycle track to go there, they are now working with Sarah Riley-Evans for the MOD side of things.

The cycle track is an ongoing project and they cannot apply for the next stage of funding at this point.

The Skate Park is almost finished with the design phase and it will then go to planning. Once it is through planning they can start fundraising.

5- Correspondence:

A rep from the new Aerospace project will be coming to our November meeting.

John Scott, a WWII casualty from Lossiemouth has been honored by the town of Weidenhausen in Germany. We put the town officials in contact with the Scott family and sent a short statement.

6- Community Councilors Issues:

Peter: The front gate at the cemetery needs some attention.

Gina: We need to organise a cheque to pay for the wreath from the British Legion. Also asked if we have an update on the Fishing Museum, John Cowe will enquire for us.

Marian: Vicky Jamieson has passed away, she was the oldest lady in Lossiemouth.

7- Councilors Updates:

John Cowe: The cemetery car park has been tarred except for one area that has been left for drainage, it is unsightly and John is asking if the community council can put in some sort of garden to cover it.

He has spoken with Sharon Mair about plastics recycling at Shore Street and has been told that there is not room for additional recycling. The council can provide communal bins for some streets.

Moray Council cannot service the dog waste bin on the golf course as they cannot drive to it, if the golf course won't service it, Moray Council will remove it.

Ryan Edwards: A trial hole is being drilled on the esplanade next week for the bridge project. He said that John has covered everything else.

8- Treasurers Report: Thank you to Tim for all his hard work. Tim will have the accounts ready to be audited by the end of September.

School Crossings	£7811.09
Toilets	£1178.54
Tullochs	£5000.00
Gardens	£560.00
Food Larder	£550.05
General Account	£4346.96
Total in Bank	£19446.64

9- Chairman's Updates: The vaccine centre is needing volunteers again, please contact Carolle if you can help.

10- Planning Issues: RAF planning request in for lattice for towers.
The lighthouse is planning to repaint.

Permission being sought to demolish a home on the back lane behind the library and build a new one in it's place. The plans do not fit with the look in that part of Lossie.

11- AOCB: We had had questions about the Remembrance Stones this year, Kirsty has said that she will take the lead on organizing them this year. Kristi will coordinate with her for social media posts etc.

11- Date and Time of Next Meeting: TBD