

Speyside Community Council

APPROVED Minute of Meeting Held

On Wednesday 25 January, 2023

At 7pm

Speyside Sports and Community Centre

Community Council Members:

Marion Ross, Alison Bagnall, Greg Sarab, Donald McLean

In Attendance:

Neil Slessor, Ian Blackhall (IDCA), Cllr Ross, Cllr Gordon

Apologies:

AM (SCC), KS (SCC), FD (SCC), BD(SCC), Cllr Harris

Welcome:

MR welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open.

It was unanimously agreed to co-opt Mr Neil Slessor to Speyside Community Council.

Proposer: Marion Ross

Seconder: Donald McLean

Previous Minutes: **Proposer – Donald McLean**

Seconder - Greg Sarab

Matters arising and not overtaken on the Agenda:

- Cost of Living Alternative Energy Support Scheme – Cllr Ross gave an update. The entitlement of £200 will be paid through your electricity account.
- Resilience Planning – MR had met with Martin Robertson and Rhona McNicol (CSU) via Teams.

They will lead on this initiative. The initial plan is to identify organisations in the Speyside/Glenlivet electoral ward. A meeting is planned for Thursday 2nd March where representatives of these organisations can meet and discuss the way forward. It is necessary to identify what we already have, where it is and what else needs to be put in place.

Correspondence:

- *Speyside High School - meeting with Pupil Senate.
- *Request for an article for The Kirk News by 5/2/23.
- *Moray Council – removal of burnt out car on A941. Despite being in this location for a number of weeks it is, apparently, not abandoned. It is being classed as a breakdown as there is a registered owner.
- *The Cabrach Trust – an item of Business.
- *Potential new member.
- *Moray Young Citizens Awards – nominations by 3/3/23. MR has the nomination forms.

Reports:

Treasurer: £2266.94

Notice of Joint Community Council Meeting 9/2/23 (ZOOM)

Moray Transport Forum 31/1/23

Roths Women's Guild – 10/1/23. MR delivered a talk on the work of the Community Council and spoke briefly about Resilience Planning, Priority Service Registers, Useful Numbers and Alarm Responders.

Police Matters:

CSP Report – previously sent.

Planning Matters: Weekly Wards lists previously forwarded to members.

Cllr Gordon gave an update on Local Place Planning.

Simpsons Maltings, Roths – application due to come to The Planning and Regulatory Services Committee on 15

February.

Ardcanny Maturation Warehousing, Rothes – our representation has been submitted as ‘comments made by residents at our Public Meeting. This has been accepted by Moray Council.

Representations submitted by members of the public include issues related to traffic, noise, loss of traditional walking routes and ethanol in the environment.

Celtic Renewables Biorefinery, Rothes – no further information since the on-line public consultation 2 to 9 December 2022.

Glen of Rothes Woodland Creation Scheme – nothing on the Scottish Forestry EIA or Grant Registers.

Acorn Bioenergy, Biodigester, Longmorn – does not appear to be supported by farmers and local residents.

Macallan, solar panel array – in the field opposite the Distillery.

Teindland Forest Windfarm – further information expected within the next few weeks.

Licensing: Glenallachie Distillery – no objection.

Business: Community Council Social Media Policy – adopted.

Speyside High School – meeting deferred to 8th February.

The Cabrach Trust – it was agreed to add SCC’s signature to the open letter calling for an inter-authority regional landscape capacity assessment for windfarm developments.

Responding to Planning Applications – it was decided to give further consideration to this matter.

The Draft Energy and Just Transition Plan – it was decided to

arrange another meeting to discuss and submit a response.

AOCB: Community Engagement – it was decided to investigate the cost of different methods of communicating with residents eg mail drops, postcards, adverts in community magazines etc. MR to action this.

**Future Programme: Trading Standards
Scottish Forestry**

Consultations: Moray Council – none

Scottish Government –
Draft Energy Strategy and Just Transition Plan (4/4/23)

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 22 February 2023

Meeting Closed at: 9 pm