

Speyside Community Council

APPROVED Minute of Meeting Held

On Wednesday 31 May 2023

At 7pm

Speyside Sports and Community Centre

Community Council Members:

Marion Ross, Alison Bagnall, Brenda Davies, Greg Sarab, Fraser Dyer,

In Attendance:

S.Willox. (EHC), M.Grant (EHC), K.D., L.G., P.D., and J.R. (Members of the Public), P. Winchester (ACA), M. Middlehurst (CVC)
Cllrs Gordon, Harris and Ross

Apologies:

I. Blackhall (Inchberry), N. Slessor (SCC), D. McLean (SCC)

Welcome:

MR welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open.

Previous Minutes: 26 April 2023

Proposer – GS

Secunder - MR

Matters Arising and Not Overtaken on the Agenda

- Moray Transport Forum – MR reported on the results of the round-robin exercise from the previous meeting. Comments included:
*sustainable, reliable and affordable services, evening and weekend services, services to Aviemore and areas outwith Moray, more publicity, timetables need to be displayed at bus stops, a move away from fossil fuels, joined up timetabling for air, train and bus transport.
- The 36a timetable for the Aviemore bus is confusing. Clarification to be sought.

- AB gave an update on the road safety sub-group/community speedwatch. It is proving very difficult to get a response from Police Scotland.

Correspondence:

- It was agreed to sponsor flowers/tubs for Craigellachie Village Council, Edinville and the Archiestown Flower Group. It was agreed that £30 per group was appropriate.
- Forestry – Glen of Rothes Forestry Creation Scheme. There is still nothing from Scottish Forestry. D. McLean gave an update regarding the letter that he had written to the 4 Ministers involved in forestry related issues. There is, however, one Minister with overall responsibility for Forestry.
FD and BD requested a copy of said letter. MR to forward it.

Reports:

- Treasurer - £20 had been paid to Rothes Council for the sponsorship of a hanging basket. Our logo will be attached to one of them.
£35 for the annual Data Protection fee.
Balance - £2597.55
- Speyside Resilience Planning -TEAMS meeting planned for Thursday 8th June. 6.30 to 7.30 pm.
- Joint Community Council Meeting (11/5/23)
Presentations on: * Locality Networks
*Moray Council's Volunteering Policy
* Money for Moray - £500,000 is available, mainly for capital grant funding.
*Community Energy Moray (JCC) is looking at Moray wide investment in renewables/ windfarms.
*MR gave an update on the activities of SCC.
- Pavilion at Rothes Castle – we now have a picture from the 1930's which shows that originally there was more to the Pavilion. MR will further liaise with Moray Council before approaching Historic Scotland/Scheduled Monuments with our plans.

It may be that we would be required to restore it to its original state. Historic Scotland does give out grants so that would be our first port of call for fund raising.

- The official launch of m.connect will be on 7 June 2023. Neil Gray MSP will be in attendance.
- The Bridge on Burnside Street - Cllr Gordon has taken this forward on our behalf.

Police Matters:

- The CSP report had been previously distributed.

Planning:

- Weekly Wards lists previously forwarded.

Updates: 22/01673/APP Whisky Maturation Warehousing at Ardcanney Farm, Rothes. Permission granted.

Clashgour Windfarm – airspace change proposal. It was decided that the MOD and Civil Aviation Authority were best placed to comment on this matter.

Business:

- 23/00494/APP R2 Speyview, 39 Affordable homes, Aberlour
The original application is time lapsed. This current application represents the amended application to change the number of affordable homes. Much of the time lapsed information has been submitted in support of the application. The Transport Pack is out of date.

There is still no access to Taylor Court.

Transport Scotland has not objected to the development but the realignment of the A95 is a condition which, Springfield may have to apply separately for. The realignment was never agreed under the original application.

The realignment drawings of the A95 are unclear.

It was agreed to invite a representative from Springfield to come to our next meeting and to also ask for an extension to the consultation

period Failing that, an Objection would be submitted – not to the housing perse but to the lack of safe access and egress from the site.

- 23/00709/APP Acorn Energy Biodigester, Longmorn
This is not in our CC area but there may be a direct impact on the traffic through Rothes. It was decided to object on that basis.
- Rothes Community Workforce
MR proposed and AB seconded that Rothes Community Workforce becomes a sub-group of Speyside Community Council, subject to agreed Terms of Reference. These will include details of its composition, duration, duties and powers. Any funds generated or expenses incurred will be represented as a separate line in Speyside Community Council’s bank account.
It was agreed to set up a meeting for this. The meeting must include the Treasurer.

AOCB:

- Cutting the grass verges. There were differing views. Some suggested that some of the verges could be left to grow wild but others thought that this could be a danger to traffic. There was no consensus of opinion.
- Aberlour Flooding. ACA requested support for requesting a public meeting with Moray Council. PW thanked everyone, particularly the Councillors for their help and support. MR to write to The Chief Executive, Cllrs Cowe and Robertson, MSP and MP.

Future Programme:

Consultations:

Moray Council – None

National: - Effective Community Engagement in local Development Planning Guidance and Consultation (Closes 13/09/23)

Next Meeting:

- Wednesday 28 June2023
- **Meeting closed at: 8.45pm**

