



**DYKE LANDWARD
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Approved Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 9th August 2023 at 7.30pm
Dyke Church Hall**



Attendees: DLCC		Attendees: Other
Carl Wright (CW)	<i>Chair</i>	Paul McBain <i>MC Forres Local Councillor (PB)</i>
Sheena Tulloch (ST)	<i>Minutes Sec.</i>	Kathleen Robertson <i>MC Forres Local Councillor (KR)</i>
Caroline Macleod (CM)		Debra Duke <i>MC (DD) Moray Council</i>
Wendy McLean (WM)		

Apologies:		
Lindsey Standring (LS)		
Jackie Davidson (JD)		

	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Welcome & Apologies CW welcomed everyone to the Meeting.	
2.	Police Update & Community Safety Reports – July 2022 JD had previously circulated the report via email. The DLCC area is once again not defined in the report but it was felt by the committee that no more can be done about this. ST reported that there have been further incidents of graffiti in Dyke village, particularly in the Churchyard and around school buildings, and also some vandalism at Dyke Preschool Centre which meets in Dyke Village Hall. Members of the public should be encouraged to report any further incidents of this to the police.	For Info.
3.	Public Session No members of the public attended.	
4.	Minutes of last Meeting The minutes of Wednesday 14 th June 2023 had been previously circulated. <i>Proposed: CM Secoded: CW</i>	JD to email to DD
5.	a) Speeding in Dyke – CW reported that the mobile SID unit will be present at both ends of the village during the week commencing 18 th September 2023. The meeting in Findhorn still has not taken place so CW has not yet had the opportunity to discuss the possibility of sharing SID units with Anne Skene.	CW
5.	b) Parking in Dyke – CW has continued to monitor the situation and does not see it as a major problem. He has informed the complainant who agrees with CW. This item will be left to lie now.	For info
5.	c) Update on bus service – KR reported that the lack of a reliable bus service is most likely due to driver shortages. M-Connect can be used – it is free if you hold a bus pass. KR and PM will ask about the availability of a bus service to come round the DLCC route. PM informed members that there is an App which tells you when the bus is coming. The Osprey bus is also available for booking, but again depends on the availability of drivers.	KR PM
5.	d) Mileage for noticeboard claims – DD informed members that there is no set figure for mileage and there has never been a fixed policy. Committee members	For Info.

	agreed to pay 45p per mile for noticeboard claims. This was proposed by CW and seconded by WM.	
5.	e) Update on Defib invoice – JD had informed CW that she has still not received a reply to the email she sent to Lorna Ross of Dyke Hall Committee in June 2023. JD has therefore contacted Kieran’s Legacy directly to ask them to provide a new invoice so that payments can be made.	JD
5.	f) Suggestions for new members – no names were brought to the table, so members were asked to consider this before the next meeting.	All members
5.	g) Update on accounts preparation – LS had sent an email before the meeting which arrived too late for members to have time to read it. It contained many details and figures which need to be discussed at the next meeting. LS reported in the email that the sum of £281.76 has been received from Moray Council. This amount is for half of the year. DD informed members that agreeing an honorarium should be an agenda item. No honorarium payments can be made without discussion and agreement at a meeting of DLCC. CW will put this as an item on the agenda for the next meeting in September. In the meantime he will email LS and ask her to explain where the figures have come from. DD will check DLCC minutes for any information about honorarium payments and will report back. DD suggested that it would be a good idea to add a link to the meeting when such things are agreed by committee. DD and PM suggested that DLCC should do a budget plan at a meeting of the council. ST will check with Jane Foster of Dyke and Edinkillie Church about invoices for payment for use of the Church Hall for meetings. LS reported that she had arranged possible dates to have the DLCC accounts audited by Ann Crossman, but no dates were specified.	DD CW ST LS
6.	Treasurer’s Report: LS via email. Current Total in the Bank: £3135.81 <i>Includes Working Funds of: £1097.71 Reserve Funds: £2038.10 (which includes ringfenced money for defibrillator maintenance - £971.10) + Cash: £0</i>	For Info.
7.	Correspondence: JD has continued to forward emails to DLCC Members regularly & has highlighted any issues relating to DLCC. The SSEN community benefit fund was highlighted and is on the agenda for the JCC meeting on 10 th August. DD suggested it would be good for individual community councils to respond to the consultation, which closes on 13 th August 2023. Community Councils have not met within this period. It was agreed that members should complete it individually due to the short timescale. CW reported that the M-Connect bus does a loop from Forres to Nairn and back, but does not come through Dyke village. PM informed members that the situation will improve over the years as more buses are coming. In the meantime PM will investigate the need for so many services in the town of Forres and see if this could be distributed wider.	JD to forward emails to DLCC All PM
8.	Reports from Local Councillors: KR reported that councillors have been on recess for 6 weeks.	For Info.

	<p>The next 6-9 months will be a difficult time when many difficult decisions will have to be made. The £20 million budget gap needs to be addressed, and a way to make the Moray Council sustainable needs to be found.</p> <p>Consultations on the development of the Corporate Plan will be coming out in December 2023. There will be a questionnaire to gauge what people will accept. The community should be encouraged to engage with this consultation.</p> <p>Short term lets were briefly discussed and PM agreed to address issues brought up by WM.</p>	PM
9.	<p>Planning:</p> <p>None in our area this month.</p> <p>CW had had a look at the parking at the proposed change of use at Oakhall Dyke and consulted with the planning officer who is now awaiting a reply from the transport department.</p> <p>DD informed members that consultations are ongoing on the local development plan. The draft will start in September then there will be another consultation.</p>	CW to continue to email weekly lists
10.	<p>ACOB</p> <p>KR informed those present that although there has been the feeling that the Moray Growth Deal has been very Elgin-centred the Forres area has actually done well out of it and a lot is happening on this side of Moray. DLCC could request someone from the Moray Council to come and talk about what the Growth Deal is.</p>	For info
11.	<p>Date, Time & Venue of next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 13th September 2023 at 7.30pm. Venue: Dyke Church Hall</p>	

Meeting Closed at 8.28 pm