



*The City and Royal Burgh of
Elgin
Community Council*

Minute of a meeting held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 at Elgin Town Hall

Sederunt: **See attachment A**

Alastair opened the meeting, welcomed everyone present.

Item	Content	Actions
1. Police Scotland	No representative available	
2. Guest speaker Elgin Museum	<p>Claire Herbert & David Bennett from the Elgin Museum joined us to give an update on current proceedings at the museum.</p> <p>Elgin is the oldest independent museum in Scotland, the category A listed building is soon to under go a major refit to make it bigger and more suitable for the exhibits and for those visiting the museum. Run by the Moray Society the museum is open to all during the summer months, the plans which will be submitted later in the summer will see potentially £2 – 3 million of works being carried out to provide more space, better climate control and additional storage for exhibits.</p>	
3. Stagecoach	No representative available – there is thought that there may have been another change in management.	
4. Previous minutes	Proposed: Graham Jarvis Secunder: Steve Christie	
5. Matters arising	Remove the words ‘last week’ from bullet point 3 under parking. No other matters arising	
6. Finance	All payments up to date.	

<p>7. Correspondence</p>	<p>Steve informed those present that he would contact Richard with a view to A. requesting all of the current email lists from him, and B. to ask Richard if he could forward all Community Council correspondence to him for distribution to members.</p> <p>Alastair pointed out that he felt it would be too soon to place all this with Katherine who has done a great job of the minutes since taking that role on.</p>	<p>Steve</p>
<p>8. Elgin Town Board & subgroups</p>	<p>Members of ALL subgroups had been busy over recent weeks, scoring all of the applications and ideas for the use of the £20million funding. Alastair pointed out that issues with the scoring matrix had been mentioned by all of the groups, Alison, Graham & Steve all mentioned that they felt it could have been set out differently. A number of the projects were from the council, and it was felt there needed to be more emphasis of those submitted by the public else confidence in the whole exercise could be seen as for nothing. It was also mentioned that many of those council proposals were at a ‘shovel ready’ stage and included to put something into the main application to the Westminster Gov’t .</p>	
<p>9. Planning</p>	<p>James, Alastair, Graham and Steve had met with the group from Thomshill in Birnie to discuss the proposed quarry which is to be sited on their doorsteps. James had provided them with advice based on his knowledge of planning and a follow up email has been received thanking us for attending and to James in particular for his advice. We will keep in touch with the group as the application progresses.</p>	
<p>10. Education</p>	<p>Nothing to report -school’s about to break for summer</p>	
<p>11. Media</p>	<p>We need to make better use of our website and social media – recruitment of new members, current engagement and the Elgin Town Board.</p>	<p>Alastair, Steve</p>
<p>12. Resilience</p>	<p>A second meeting to be arranged – Steve to write to the attendees from the first meeting with a view to setting a date.</p>	<p>Steve</p>
<p>13. Elgin Cathedral 800 years</p>	<p>Claire from the museum had said during her presentation that she was surprised that there appears to be very little arranged for the 800th anniversary, this was seconded by Alison, and both also mentioned how</p>	

	difficult it is to get any response from Historic Scotland. At this late time in the year, it is looking less likely that anything is to take place.	
14. The funding of Community Councils	We have been pursuing this item for a while, organising a date is proving to be difficult. Alastair will contact Debra Duke for assistance to pin down a date.	Alastair Debra
15. Elected Members	The local members brought a number of items to the table this month including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting at Elgin Fire Station • An event at Glasgow Civic Centre • The South Street development • The Elgin common Good fund – due to a high number of applications some had to be turned down on this occasion • Sea gulls – the numbers are reportedly down • Housing 	
16. A.O.C.B	NONE	
Date of next meeting –	Tuesday 16th JULY @ 7pm in Elgin Town Hall	

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE JULY MEETING IS ONE WEEK LATER

Attendance record

Meeting date 11- JUNE - 2024

NAME	ATTENDING	APOLOGIES
Alastair Kennedy	✓	
Brian Irvine		●
Steve Christie	✓	
David Chapman	✓	
James Wiseman	✓	
Katherine Bowditch		●
Kian Wyne		●
Alison Stockley	✓	
Joyce Bremner		●
Graham Jarvis	✓	
Peter Bloomfield Cllr Moray Council	✓	
Amber Dunbar Cllr Moray Council		●
John Divers Cllr Moray Council	✓	
Sandy Keith Cllr Moray Council	✓	
Graham Leadbitter Cllr Moray Council	✓	
Jereme Fernades Cllr Moray Council	✓	
Debra Duke CCLO Moray Council		●
Hazel Lawson Press		●