



**DYKE LANDWARD
COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Dyke Landward Community Council

**Draft Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 13th November 2024 at 7.30 pm
Dyke Church Hall**



Attendees: DLCC		Attendees: Other
Caroline McLeod (CM)	<i>Acting Chair</i>	Paul McBain (Councillor) (PM)
Sheena Tulloch (ST)	<i>Minutes Sec.</i>	
Janet Grant (JG)	<i>Treasurer</i>	
Callum Ross (CR)		

Apologies:	
Apologies were received from Jackie Davidson, Nikki Morrison and Kathleen Robertson	

	Agenda Item	Action
1.	Welcome CM welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	Police Update & Community Safety Reports No report has been received this month.	For info
3.	Public One member of the public attended the meeting. LS expressed concern and disappointment at the way she had been treated by DLCC over the ongoing issues of adding new administrators to the Facebook page and removing herself. LS informed the members that no one had contacted her directly about this matter nor replied to some of her messages. CM extended an apology to LS on behalf of the committee and this was accepted. LS attended the meeting to promote the Spirit of Community Plan 2024-2034, which is available on the FACT website. The aim of it is to try to get different parts of the community to take on different areas to deal with. LS also informed members that she has offered to set up a Canva account for the Dyke area so that there can be a sharing of resources for eg making posters. She has been liasing with Claire Doughty Rhind about this. It was agreed it should be put on the agenda for the next meeting.	For info JD
4.	Minutes of last Meeting The draft minutes of 11 th September 2024 had previously been circulated. Proposed: JG Seconded: CR It was noted later during the meeting that the amount of money in the reserve fund needed to be checked and JG agreed to do this and inform ST so that an amended minute can be circulated.	JG
5.	a) Bank Account Progress JG is now a signatory on the account. There were 2 previous DLCC members still named as signatories (TM and WM), but they have now been removed by JG and ST using the online form. The signatories are now CM, JG and ST. Going forward bank	JG ST

	statements will now be sent to JG at her home address. JG was provided with enough bank statements to do the accounts which are now with AC for auditing. ST will purchase a £20 voucher for Brodie Countryfare as a token of appreciation.	
	<p>b) SID funding progress</p> <p>JG and ST have applied to the Lottery Funding and have had the application acknowledged. They also tried the Ena Baxter fund but our project is not eligible due to the fact that DLCC has not raised half of the amount required. They will try the Arnold Clark community fund when it opens up again.</p> <p>LS suggested that it would be a good idea to sign up for the TSI monthly newsletter.</p>	<p>For info</p> <p>ST</p> <p>JG</p>
	<p>c) Signs at Findhorn Bridge – Mikeysline</p> <p>CM has spoken with her family and reported that they are in agreement for the sign to be situated on Dalvey land at the Nairn side of the Findhorn Bridge. Mikeysline are aware of this. If the sign is on wheels rather than fixed to anything there is no need for planning permission to be sought.</p>	<p>For info</p>
	<p>d) Social Media</p> <p>NM and CR have now been added as admin on the DLCC FB page. Claire Doughty Rhind has also been added as she is leading the work on the Resilience Plan for the Dyke area.</p>	<p>For info</p>
	<p>e) Birnie Path</p> <p>PM had sent an email and photos to JD (which had been shared with members), informing that the initial work on the path has been completed. The ranger has been in touch with the owner of the land on the other side of the burn and more work will be done there.</p>	<p>For info</p>
	<p>f) Resilience Update</p> <p>ST and CDR (resilience lead) attended the Moray Community Resilience 2024 Conference at Inchberry Hall. It was a very helpful event and it was interesting to hear from different groups of people who have actually had to deal with emergency situations. ST and CDR came away with ideas to progress further with the Resilience Plan for the Dyke area. CDR had submitted a draft plan before the event so that it could be included in a funding bid.</p>	<p>For info</p>
	<p>g) New Committee Member –</p> <p>A member of the public has expressed interest in joining the committee and CM will invite him to the next meeting in December 2024.</p>	<p>CM</p>
	<p>h) Insurance – defibs</p> <p>The additional premium for the 2 defibs for which DLCC obtained funding will be £56. JD is to get back to Zurich Insurance to confirm that this is needed. JD is to inform JG when it has been confirmed so that payment can be made.</p>	<p>JD</p>
6.	<p>Treasurer’s Report:</p> <p>Current total in bank: £5319.13</p> <p>Once the accounts have been audited JG and ST will start the process of changing over to online banking. Separate accounts will be opened for fundraising money to be held in.</p>	<p>JG</p> <p>ST</p>
7.	<p>Review of the Scheme of Establishment and Admin Grant – notes from meeting held on Wednesday 25th September – these were sent to DLCC members and to DD.</p>	<p>For info</p>

	Approved by CR and Seconded by JG.	
8.	<p>Reports from Local Councillor:</p> <p>PM – PM reported that there had been a by-election on Thursday 7th November which the Conservatives won, meaning that they now have 11 Conservative members on the Council. They will continue to work closely with other party members. They are looking at restructuring and transformation in the budget, looking at different ways of providing services, eg the library service. There will be as few cuts as possible to frontline services. The new Chief Executive is temporary and will be in post for the next 8 months. They are looking at rejigging senior management positions. There has been a huge increase in expenditure on teachers' pay due to the pay rise teachers were given. A fraction of the money to fund this came from the Scottish Government and Moray Council has had to find the rest. Committees have been meeting and attending to business as usual.</p> <p>Police and Fire – reports are now being given every 3 months and only to JCC – this is due to capacity.</p>	For info
9.	<p>Planning:</p> <p>JD had forwarded the weekly wards lists as usual – one in our area this time.</p>	For info
10.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>JD had emailed all correspondence to members as usual.</p> <p>CM brought to committee's attention that Leancoil Trustees are holding an AGM on 21st November 2024 in Forres Town Hall.</p> <p>CR had picked up a message on FB from a local resident who was concerned about safety at the bus stop near Brodie level crossing. There is no lighting there. CR contacted MC transport unit who are looking into the issue and may be able to put motion sensor lights in place. CR has replied to the local resident and informed her that the matter is being looked into by MC.</p>	For info
11.	<p>AOCB</p> <p>ST informed members that there are 2 spaces available on a paediatric first aid course which is being provided by Outfit Moray in Dyke Hall on Saturday 7th December from 9am-4pm. This has been organised through the Resilience group. If anyone is interested they were asked to get in touch with ST.</p> <p>ST has been approached by a member of the public expressing concern about the bushes which are hanging over the fence on the way down from Kintessack village to Wellhill, thus obscuring any pedestrians walking down that side of the road. It is a very busy road and many pedestrians use it. It was agreed that the owner would be contacted and asked to cut them back away from the roadside.</p>	For info
12.	<p>Date, Time and Venue of the next meeting – Wednesday 11th December Dyke Church Hall – AGM will be held at 7.30 and a committee meeting will follow after that.</p>	For info

Meeting Closed at 9.30pm