Lossiemouth Community Council Minutes of Meeting

Date: 17th March 2025

Time: 19:00 Location: The Hub Chair: Lily Mulholland

Attendees: Louise McBride, John Cowe, James Allan, Neil Cameron, , Marian Evans,

Dave Walker, Gina McNicoll, , Alison Read (LCDT) Maureen Halkett , Joan

Cowe ,Peter White

Apologies: Carolle Ralph, Bridget Mustard, Kristi Corbett, Kirsty Middleton

Agenda:

Police Update:

None

RAF Update: None

Community Groups Updates:

LCDT:

Matters Arising: None

Approval of Minutes: Approved by Gina and Dave

Beach Bar Playpark

Survey has been completed. Over 200 people participated Very clear that children are interested in more active play activities Next step is to form a steering group in conjunction with Moray Council Play area suppliers will be contacted by end of June25 to come up with their plans for the play area and whether they wish to be involved in the tendering process. They will have a period of time to do this- probably by end of August due to holiday period

East Beach Wall

S1 pupils working on designs. These to be completed by 26th March. The plan is to display these at the Hub on Saturday 29th March for people to vote Between 10 am and 3pm. We may then consider moving the display to the library the following week. Wall cleaning planned for 28th/29th March. As yet RAF have not confirmed if they can help. A suggestion was made to see whether the wall could be skimmed.

Louise was going to contact Dennis the builder. Very aware that we have a few constraints- timing, costs and of course weather . Marc the artist is due to start April21st. After cleaning wall must be primed

Erosion Project:

1000 plants ordered Dates for planting. Friday 25th April. 50 children from St Gers Friday 2nd May 15 children from Hythehill Times after lunch. 1;30 to 3pm

The after-school club will be planting on the Wednesday as a trial run

Hoped to have a public event sometime in May with Will Burnish on coastal erosion

Improvement service

This is a quango group funded by Scottish Government will be visiting LCC on Friday 25^{th} April to discuss with us everything we are involved in and do a case study .

High School Garden project

The economic teacher very willing to have children involved in growing their own produce. The Trust have also approached the school as regards the ASN gardens Work in progress

VeDay Thursday May 8th

On the Moray Council website there are details as regards what is being organized that day.

Main events for Lossie

Flag raised at station park at 10 am. Hope to have a piper Community soup and sweet will take on a VE Day them. Belling ringing 6:30. East Beach. Lighting of Beacon. 9:30

Joan provided more info:

School children to be dressed like evacuees (. Have their little suitcase) Ladies in Anderson's who have reached the age of 100 will be telling their story as regards VE Day. This will be recorded and played back as part of the church service.

Bank Hub.

Carolle contacted the Town Hall Group, and it appears that the cash hub will be situated there. Still not confirmed officially. Other choices could be Library/Community Centre.

Cemetery Toilets

Carolle met with Paul Wolverson (Mc) A report is being prepared for the Economic Development Infrastructure Committee in April

Learning estate

Carolle attended the meeting and has distributed the slides The main point is the occupancy and the viability of your school for the future Encourage everyone to complete the online survey

Community group Updates

LCDT

Local Place Plan completed and sent to MC to preview prior to submitting by end of March

Tourist office will open Friday 28^{th} March thru to end of April. (Friday thru to Monday

Growing group bus trip to Aberlour ,Port Gordon (Wednesday 19th March) Herb Planter far too expensive - looking for alternatives Fundraiser Ceilidh Saturday 29th March 23, 2025

2-3 Group:/Community Hub

New chairperson Nicola Thompson.

Fiona Macdonald has offered Patchwork courses free of charge Working with Home Schooling group – cooking course ran at hub Working with high school to allow those pupils to have the opportunity to be more involved with the community. Give them some responsibility Some pupils will attend the soup and sweet on the 17th April to help out. Will also work with the 2/3 group

Hopefully employ another member of Staff

Men's Shed

AGM well attended. -22 people Rab Burgess now secretary

Roseille Coffee morning: The men's shed has been nominated by the group to be one of the beneficiaries from 3 coffee morning planned for this year. We raised £400 pound from sales of our products. Bird boxes very popular Visiting the Oaks next Tuesday

Plan to lay a wreath/clean the monument at Gregory Place (plane which crashed during the war). Do we need approval.?

Didn't think there would be any objections but maybe contact the British Legion

5- Correspondence: None

6- Community Councilors' Issues:

Gina: Dumping of rubble down at beach bar site. It appears ground is private and has approval

James mentioned that residents in the area were concerned about children playing on the rubble. Agreed it was an eyesore but not much we could do

Lily: 2 beds at square cleared out ready for replanting. Thanks to MC for using their digger

Marian. Will be planning Litter Picks soon. James said that BB's will be planning also

7- Elected Members Updates:

Councilor Updates

John:

Benches now situated near medical centre on Coulard bank Road

8- Treasurers Report:

We received a donation (£100) from a resident for the gardens. Does not want to be named. A thankyou card has been sent

Finances. As of end of February Bank Balance £26,721.27

Unallocated funds. £3906.99

9- Chairman's Updates: Nothing additional

10- Planning Issues: None

AOCB:

West Beach Carpark Report is being prepared for review in April Large number of stones in carpark

Campervans/ dedicated areas in carparks

Maureen had major concerns that allocating specific campervan spaces would reduce the amount of parking available in Lossiemouth

She also said that many campervans had a positive impact on Lossiemouth as many do pay for parking especially at Station Park but yes there are those who abuse this. Compulsory charging would just move the cars/campervans onto streets We all agreed that there is no simple solution to the issues with parking over the holiday season.

Neil said that MC is reviewing campervan parking and impact on communities. There will be an online consultation with residents – no date

Alison: Trust wishes to buy this from BT at the cost of £1 as BT no longer will support public phone boxes. She asked if LCC were okay with this We did not object

Lily: Asked whether any update? Project to look for different ways to utilize the library more. Lossie will be used as a pilot. No further details. Work in progress

John . Asked the Trust where they were with the cat for station park as this would be a good time to move forward

Alison explained that there was no funding to go further

11- Date and Time of Next Meeting: 21st April

, Lossiemouth Community Hub at 19:00