<u>Dyke Landward Community Council</u> <u>Draft Minutes of Meeting</u>

Tuesday 22nd January 2013 at 7.00pm, Dyke Village Hall

Item No.

Present

Caroline Macleod (Chair) (CMcL)

Carol Shaw (Vice Chair) (CS)

Alistair Sutherland (AS)

Aaron Mclean - Moray Councillor (AMcL)

Tom Foster (TF) from 7:45pm

George McKenzie (GMcK)

Kim Morrison (KM)

John Wrighton (JW)

Jad Leitch (JL) police representative

Apologies for Absence

Margaret Greenaway (Treasurer) (MG)

George Alexander – Moray Councillor (GA)

Anne Skene – Moray Councillor (ASk)

Irene Ogilvy (Secretary) (IO)

Lorna Creswell – Moray Councillor (LC)

Sean Jones - Sergeant, Grampian Police (SJ)

2. 2.1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting 20th November 2012

AS proposed the approval of the minutes and JW seconded

3. Matters Arising (not on Agenda)

3.1 Speed Limit on A96 at Brodie

CMcL has received a letter from Transport Scotland (TS) indicating there should be no change to the speed limit through Brodie and the police report indicates the speed limit is being adhered to. CMcL has replied to TS's letter pointing out the information in it is completely out of date there is no school or railway station at Brodie and has not been since 1960s. No mention is made of Brodie Countryfare, Old Mill in or the three stacking lanes within a very short distance of each other. We await TS response.

3.2 20mph-flashing lights in Dyke – still not working in centre of village

AMcL

CMcL

3.3 Parking at the Duck pond Brodie Castle

Ongoing, weekend 19 – 20 January 20 cars parked degrading road. CMcL to write to Shona at the castle.

3.4 Stacking Lane off A96 to Kintessack and Brodie

The contractors carrying out the flood alleviation scheme works have been upgrading and rearranging the access to the Findhorn. This has resulted in the bus shelter sitting isolated on an island whilst traffic waiting to join the A96 is pushed into the middle of an already narrow road. Concern was expressed that there is considerable danger of an accident at this spot.

3.5 Bus Shelter in Dyke Village for academy pupils

On going, has SJ Spoken to Rector JL to follow up

JL

3. Grampian Police Report

There have been no notable incidents in the area.

Between 14 and 20 December 2012, a speed survey was carried out on the A96 at Brodie. This showed that 85% of persons are travelling at an average of 49.8 mph. There was very little speeding over 60MPH and any speeds over 50 mph tended to be late at night or in the early hours of the morning. For example, the highest average speed recorded over the 5 days was 58.6 mph which took place between 0200 and 0300 hours.

As of 4 February 2013, the current Moray Division will merge with the current Aberdeenshire Division. The reason is that this will form one of the 14 new divisions as part of Police Scotland once the amalgamation takes place on 1 April 2013.

Chief Superintendent Mark McLaren based at Inverurie will take over as the Divisional Commander for the new division. The current Moray division commander Superintendent Mark Cooper will take over as the Superintendent in charge of Operations for the new Division and Chief Inspector Willie Findlay based at Elgin will take over as the area Commander for Moray.

There will obviously be more changes to come in the lead up to 1 April and Grampian Police will endeavour to keep us updated regarding these. It is anticipated that at a local Policing level you should notice little or no change in how the day-to-day business is carried out.

5. DLCC Members

To be revisited at the February meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report

In the absence of MG there was no report. The cheque from Moray Council has not been banked as only MG has account details. It was agreed that MG should supply CMcL and CS with account sort code and account number so that they could bank cheques in MG's absence. CS to follow up on.

7. The Local Plan

AS attended for DLCC. Five-year review with wide ranging discussion. Forres needs 350 new houses in that time yet houses are currently sitting on the market. All new build houses should make use of solar and other green energy. Shortage of touring caravan sites in Moray. Suggested that all new businesses on the High Street be given a rates holiday. How to resolve conflict when Moray Council objects to, for example, a wind farm and Scottish Gov. approves.

8. 8.1 Notice Boards

Peter from Brodie Castle has indicated that the boards are now all ready, CMcL to contact BW to ascertain the full situation. CMcL has the key to the Brodie board.

8.2 Letter from Conicavel resident

A letter was sent to CS via e-mail enquiring why there was no information on the notice board at Conicavel. CS replied explaining there had been no DLCC meeting in December and that the DLCC was not responsible for bus timetables and local events information.

9 Plan for Councillors attending DLCC Meetings

The four local Moray Councillors have held a surgery on the 1st Monday of the month since June. They are now reviewing this and

CS

propose to hold a surgery on the same night as the DLCC meeting starting at 6:30pm. This will start in February.

10		Communications and Correspondence
		The following were noted:
	10.1	CERBS Report
	10.2	Moray Housing Seminar
	10.3	Community Leadership Project
	10.4	My Place Awards
	10.5	Changes to Town & Country Planning Applications
	10.6	Research Project – Moving Home Service
	10.7	Agenda JCC Meeting 14 February KM and GMcK are hoping to attend
11		AOCB
	11.1	AMcL Dyke School had received its inspectors report and is at
		capacity.
	11.2	Flood alleviation scheme is ahead of target
	11.3	Need to get local people involved with the CC elections in October.
	11.4	Ensure that on all abbreviated minutes it states that members of the
		public are welcome to attend the meeting and raise any issues they may have.
	11.5	Mr Duncan of Fir Park Cottage Dyke has approached CMcL; his house
	11.5	is on the narrowest part of the road with a narrow strip of ground
		between the road and house. He expressing his concern that with the
		size of the tractors being driven through the village and cars parked
		on the road opposite his house there was a danger that the front of
		the house could be damaged.
	11.6	CMcL advised that the Communities and Families Fund had grants of
	11.0	up to £10,000 available for groups working in communities.
	11.7	CS handed out copies of the Guide to Emergency Planning for
		Community Groups and How You Can Help Make Your Community
		More Resilient from Scottish Government

Date and Time of Next Meeting TUESDAY 19th February 2013 at 7.00pm, Dyke Hall.