

Findochty and District Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 2nd October 2013 at Findochty Town Hall at 19:00.

Present

Ryan Main (RM), Gayle Calder (GC), Ruth O'Hanlon (RO), Henry Marshall (HM), John Oliver (JO), Anita Hunkin (AH), Community Warden Andrew Mackie, Councillor Gordon McDonald (GMcD), Councillor Anne McKay (AMcK), Tracey Rae – Moray Council (TR)

Apologies were received Andy Slater (AS), Jim Murray (JM)

1. Welcome, Apologies and Introductions

TR opened the meeting at 19.05 and welcomed all attendees.

2. Update from Police Services Scotland

Not present. Police presence at meetings will be reduced, however reports will still be issued.

3. Update from Community Warden

Local Interest Information - There has been 1 anti-social behaviour incident created for the attention of the community warden. This was a complaint against a person's aggressive dog.

Dog Fouling - There has been 1 incident created for persons reporting dog fouling to Moray Council. There have been 0 complaints made directly to the community warden. Hotspot areas targeted for patrols to deter dog fouling are Castle Street Park, Caravan Park, Lane at rear of Cliff Street, A942 Findochty – Portknockie road

Litter/Fly Tipping - There have been 0 incidents created related to litter.

Article in newsletter required regarding Dog Fouling and aggressive dogs, contact details for complaints needed (RO). Extra patrols will be taking place.

The Anti-Social Behaviour book for 2013-2016 has been issued.

4. Community Council Members Handbook

All members present issued with a new handbook for the term 2013-2017. All sections explained in brief. Updates will be provided as and when required.

5. The Joint Community Councils of Moray and Cycle of Meetings

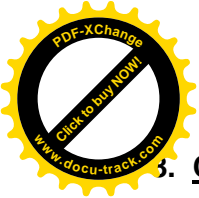
TR explained the purpose of the meetings. Richard Lockhead attends annually. Meetings take place in February, May, August and November. The next one being 14th November.

6. Administration Grant

£295.53 for the period of October – March. All donations received must be advertised.

7. Youth Representation

Article in Newsletter encouraging 2 or more youths aged 16-18 to join the Community Council. (RO)



3. Community Engagement

Population for 2011 – 1,256

Article in next month's newsletter listing the members of the Community Council. (RO)

Newsletter 'Produced by F&DCC' to be added (RO)

Find ways of including the 'District' houses. – Ask for volunteers to deliver newsletters (RO)

9. Dealing with Meeting Business and Cycle of Meetings

TR confirmed that the style of our meetings are to standard and it was confirmed that the meetings should remain on the first Wednesday of the month from 7-9pm. January's meetings would be reviewed on a year by year basis.

10. Co-options

JO elected.

11. Appointment of Office Bearers

Chair – Ryan Main (Voted by GC/HM)

Vice Chair – To be appointed at next meeting

Treasurer – Ruth O'Hanlon (Voted by (GC/RM)

Secretary – Anita Hunkin (Voted by GC/RM)

12. AOCB

None.

TR thanked everyone for attending and handed the meeting over to the Chairperson, RM.

RM welcomed everyone to the community Council and advised that we had a busy term coming up.

13. Business from previous Meeting

- Hall Charge for Gala Weekend credited.
- Invoice for traffic signs for gala day still outstanding.
- Football goals have been purchased, 6 week delivery timescale. Approximately £1,000 left to spend.
- Hythe Benches – Paint has been purchase GC to contact Mick McRitchie.
- Burn at the Strype needs cutting back. RM to action
- Compass Rose has been pointed, tourist plaque still outstanding.
- Plant pots – no flowers will be purchased for the winter.
- Concrete plinth on Netherha Terrace needs some repair. JO to action
- Possible School Closure – Meeting took place on 25th September. Lots of ideas were put forward which were handed to Future School and Nick Goodchild. The press coverage received so far has been good. Need to look into 'Safe Road to School' should ours close. Routes to Portknockie and Portessie. Under 2 miles no transport will be provided.
- Harbour Advisory Committee – GC appointed.
- Libraries will close at 12 noon on 30th November.
- Remainder of money from gala day to be spent on nursery garden. GC to speak to Grant Speed. GC to speak to school and book a date for undertaking the work (sat 26th October?)
- Path behind Station Road and Morven Crescent to be tarmac – Why. AMcK to look into it.

Date of next meeting 6th November 2013, 7pm Findochty Town Hall Committee Room