

BUCKIE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

A MEETING TOOK PLACE IN BHS BUCKIE ON TUESDAY 15TH APRIL, 2014 AT 7PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT – James Smith (Vice Chair) Steve Thornton (Secretary) John Cowie (Treasurer) Heather Innes (Minute Secretary) Fred Rumbles Morag Stewart Christine Allan Sonia Ritchie Ann Mitchell John Thain (Youth Member)

IN ATTENDANCE – Councillor Gordon Cowie Andrew Mackie (Community Warden) Emma Marandola on behalf of some Arradoul residents.

APOLOGIES – Trisha Greenwood Councillor Gordon McDonald

CHAIRMAN – The meeting was opened by James Smith (Vice Chair) who explained that Trisha Greenwood was not present due to a recent operation and she had requested him to take the chair on her behalf. As there were no Police Officers at the meeting and no Police Report available the Community Warden gave his update.

There have been 3 anti-social behaviour incidents, 2 for persons feeding seagulls and 1 for noisy parties. All incidents have been attended and closed.

Dog Fouling – 1 incident created for persons reporting dog fouling to Moray Council, and 1 complaint to community warden. The community warden has issued 1 FPN. Community warden has carried out dog fouling leaflet drops around reported areas and displayed posters around some of the areas reported.

Details were provided at the meeting regarding dog fouling campaign to run throughout April.

Community Warden now has access to a pedal cycle and will utilise for patrols, he will also be attending Bikeability training in April – this will give the qualification to use at primary schools to assist in cycling safety.

Moray Council along with the Northern Scot are running an Anti-litter Campaign throughout May and community participation is encouraged.

Community Warden has organised for Coastguards to assist with litter clearing at Buckie Burn.

Councillor Cowie asked Community Warden if it was in his remit to organise cycling training for school children. The warden stated this had been cleared by his superiors.

John Cowie stated he had complaints about quad bikes and Pot o' Linn and old Highland Railway Line.

James Smith reported the newly tarred pathway along old line is being used by cars. Councillor Cowie said bollards were going up soon.

The Chairman thanked Andrew Mackie for his update and contribution before leaving the meeting.

Minutes of the February meeting. The proposal that they be adopted as a True Recording was moved by Fred Rumbles and seconded by John Cowie.

Minutes of the March meeting. The proposal that they be adopted as a True Recording was moved by Morag Stewart and seconded by Steve Thornton.

Matters Arising.

1. Haldanes site barriers have been moved from pavement. Councillor Cowie said the site had been sold.
2. Chairman asked for a report from the recent Planning meeting which was attended by Ann Mitchell. She said she would bring a report to the next meeting.

3. Sewage Plant – Councillor Cowie informed the meeting that a rep would be willing to address the CC regarding complaints etc. if invited.

Correspondence.

1. Tracey Rae has been informed of the office bearers positions of the CC.
2. Letter from Mr Coull re Portessie School campaign against school closures. They have the full backing of the CC, secretary to write confirming this.
3. E-mail – Health and social care partnership.
4. Letter from The Northern Scot – Tidy up Moray Area.
5. Police Scotland update.
6. Planning permission for 4 houses noted.

A.O.C.B.

1. Chairman received complaints regarding the excessive heat in Townhouse. Councillor Cowie to look into this.
2. Complaints from residents in West Cathcart Street about lights being left of at Skatepark when no one at park. CC was informed the skatepark group pay for their own electric, it is their responsibility.
3. James Smith advised the meeting he attended a recent meeting regarding the windfarms at Autlmore. They hope to start in 2016 and be on grid in 2017. There will be a further meeting in September.
4. Queens Baton Relay will be going through Buckie on 3rd July. Councillor Cowie to find out more regarding this and inform the CC at next meeting.
5. John Thain (Youth member) stated the ladies toilets in BHS in need of repairs to door locks. He was advised to speak to a janitor or rector regarding this.
6. The Chairman invited Emma Marandola who was speaking on behalf of some residents in Arradoul regarding the proposed Local Plan. After discussions the CC voted to back the objections. In addition the CC will also back the submissions of objection for the Drybridge residents.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 20th May, 2014 in the Town House, Buckie at 7pm.

With no further business the Chairman brought the meeting to a close at 8.45pm. He thanked all present for their contributions in the various discussions that took place.

Chairman

Proposed

Seconded

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