

Draft Minutes from the Lossiemouth Community Council
17 February 2015, Community Centre



Chair: Mike Mulholland

Attendees

- Mike Mulholland, Stuart Crowther, Anna-Mary Overing, Cllr McGillivray, Cllr Cowe, Cllr Tuke, John Smart, Donna Milne, Tim Stanning, Carolle Ralph, Maureen Garden, Adrian Barksby, Peter Miners (Visitor), James Mackie (Visitor), Sandy Anderson (Visitor) Tim Betts (Community Warden)

Apologies

- John Wood, Lynne Wood, Cllr Wright.

Topic		Discussion	Action
1.	Welcome/Police Report/Community Warden report	<p>Chair welcomed those present.</p> <p>No police representative present but a written report had been lodged.</p> <p>Tim Betts delivered his report, highlighting preparations for Seagull breeding season and encouraging people not to feed the gulls. SC asked for clarity on 'secondary feeding' of Seagulls (where gulls swoop for feed put out for general garden bird population), Tim said this was a recognised issue but they were targeting people who specifically went out of their way to feed seagulls.</p> <p>He highlighted advice that was available to members of the public on control of gulls in particular during the forthcoming breeding season.</p> <p>CR said that progress had been made with TB and she would report back at next meeting on speed and parking checks being undertaken near to schools.</p> <p>MM asked about litter issues and was told by TB that there is more about just now but efforts were being made in particular at schools.</p>	
2.	Previous Minutes	Minutes of the December meeting were agreed as an accurate record of proceedings.	
3.	Visitors	<p>Peter Miners explained his efforts on collecting discarded bottles along the Lossie Estuary, as well as general rubbish along the coastline. He had spoken to Richard Lochhead MSP about the problem (he is concerned and has arranged for talks with Chief Exec of Moray Council).</p> <p>Cllr McG pointed out issue was also a matter for the Crown Estates. MM suggested annual community council clean-ups should widen their area of concern in litter pick searches and liaise with Peter.</p> <p>James Mackie & Sandy Anderson spoke from the Milne's Area Forum and plans for the Spey to Lossiemouth pathway. Fishermen used to walk a trail from Kingston to Lossiemouth, and a group has</p>	<p>SC to liaise</p> <p>Cllr Cowe</p>

		<p>now formed to research this with possibility of reinstating it as 'Fisherman's Walk' and tie this in perhaps with proposed coastal cycle path.</p> <p>Eventually it is hoped is to produce a guide/map of the entire walk. Cllr Cowe will bring the issue up with the HiTrans Committee.</p>	
4.	Matters Arising/Correspondence	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>1. Veolia – as no satisfactory response to a previous matter of concern has been received from Veolia over community concerns agreed to invite Ms Peebles (community liaison) to attend a community council. JC will contact Veolia direct.</p> <p>2. Codfather had indicated that they would be setting up a mobile fish and chip service in the town on a weekly basis from the start of March.</p> <p>3. CC thanked Cllr Tuke for taking up a raft of community issues highlighted at our last meeting with relevant Moray Council officials.</p> <p>Correspondence</p> <p>1. Letter from North East Policing highlighting their wish to amalgamate with Aberdeen City into a single force that would mirror the former Grampian force. CC had no issues with this proposal.</p> <p>2. MIP Consultation documents on Integrated Scheme for Adult Health - CR would study and make any response on behalf of CC.</p> <p>3. Dog Bin - Cllr Cowe received a note from the Golf Course assuring cooperation in the emptying of the dog litter bin on the course that had been a matter of some concern.</p> <p>4. Cllr Cowe passed on a letter from Moray Council on removal of play area equipment in the town, there was some concern expressed over this and CR would liaise in finding local opinion.</p> <p>5. Letter had been received by the CC highlighting damage to the fence barrier on Prospect Terrace - Cllr Cowe will investigate this with relevant council officers.</p>	<p>JC</p> <p>CR</p> <p>CR</p> <p>Cllr Cowe</p>
5.	Matters from Community Councillors	<p>1. Harbour Road – MM gave a report on meeting with the Harbour Board over the placing of bollards on the link road between the West and East sections of the Harbour. A compromise over this was being sought and a further report would be made to the next CC.</p> <p>2. Joint Community Councils JCC – CR reported on this, including Draft Developer Obligations – their obligations to communities, period of engagement coming up so we should think about what we wish to have in our community, anything we need to get involved in. Findhorn doing an</p>	MM

		<p>emergency resilience plan – something we might wish to adopt.</p> <p>CR also said that Forres CC are ‘splitting up’ their members to take responsibility for different parts of the town.</p> <p>Scottish Rural Parliament are being asked to become involved in that (direct link via Elgin CC).</p> <p>Spaceport – suggestion that someone talks to JCC about this, however members felt this was not appropriate as RAF Lossiemouth was no longer considered as a site for a future Spaceport</p>	
7.	Treasurers Report	TS - Since last meeting two cheques written – repay overpayment for Comrie Visit £180 – Council paid for flower bed maintenance September to November. The CC has a £1,269 balance.	
8.	Planning Issues	Sub-group meeting to be arranged to discuss further developments on Boyd Anderson Drive.	AMO/SC
9	Any other business	<p>Cllr Cowe reported the date for the Raft Race was 30 August and that the Moray Four Towns had agreed to continue for further three years so £15k each year would again be available, only this time it could be carried forward.</p> <p>Cllr Cowe reported that meters had been put in to measure noise following local complaints - it is felt it may be from the Moray Coast Medical Practice computers.</p> <p>CR said that regretfully the new in/out system at cemetery gates was not working as expected – complaints that it is too high and narrow so considered dangerous by users. Cllr Cowe to consider.</p> <p>AB reported from the RAF base including funding for a St Gerardine’s play area. He added that No.6 Squadron would soon be heading for Langley AFB in the USA, with No.1 Squadron returning from the USA.</p> <p>Armed Forces Minister meanwhile had visited the base on the day of the meeting.</p>	
11		The next meeting of the community council will be held on Tuesday, March 17 at 7pm, in the Community Centre.	