

STONEHAVEN AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

7:00 to 9:30pm, 12th February 2019 Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven

1.	Welcome	
1.1	Attendance	
1.1.1	SDCC Councillors:	
	Ian Hunter (IH), Paul Lindop (PL), Alistair Lawrie (AL), Fiona Tavendale (FT), Jim Morrison (JM), Bill Wats	on
	(BW), Daniel Veltman (DV), Donald A. Lawrie Morrison (DLM), Patrick Coffield (PC), Mike Duncan (MD), Ji	m
	Stephen (JS), Gerry Towler (GT), Lindsey Wood (LW),	
1.1.2	Aberdeenshire Councillors:	
	Councillor Dickinson (Cllr D), Councillor Robertson (Cllr R) and Councillor Agnew (Cllr A).	
1.1.3	Others in Attendance:	
	Surfers Against Sewage,	
1.1.4	Apologies:	
	Alix Gunn (AG),	
1.1.5	Absent without Notice:	
	Councillor Wallace (Cllr Wallace)	
1.2	Declarations of Interest	
	None.	
1.3	Chairperson's Statement	
	Nothing to report.	
2.	Approval of Last Minutes	
	Corrections:	
	Camper vans item. Aberdeenshire Council is tasked with putting together the recommendations, not the gr	oup
	that met.	
	MOTION Proposed LW, Seconded DV.	
2.1	Matters Arising from Last Minutes	
2.1.1	2.1 - Stonehaven Railway Station Modifications – IH to contact Aberdeen South Access Panel	
	See TRAK section. Also AOCB on condition of the station	
2.1.2	5 - Implications of MIR for Stonehaven	
	Agenda Item	
2.1.3	6.1 - PL to table costed proposal for collection buckets & tabards	
	Agenda Item	
2.1.4	6.2 - PL to organise Defibrillator Awareness Events.	
	5	PL
2.1.5	6.2 - Comms Group to publish map of Defibrillator Locations	

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2.1.6	6.2 - JS to bring forward costed proposal for CCTV	
	For March meeting.	JS
2.1.7	6.2 - AL to place item on next Community Council Forum for Defib Best Practice	
	Done	
2.1.8	6.4 - MD to determine appropriate timing for PR approach.	
	Done	
2.1.9	6.4 - RC to place PR on next CCF agenda.	
	K&M and S&DCC have made a PR to participate in work to determine Procedures for participatory	IH
	Budgeting. As per AL's e-mail of today.	
	IH to attend	
2.1.10	6.6 - Comms Group to upgrade website to advert free version	1
	Closed	
2.1.11	6.6 - PC to circulate consolidated comments on website to prompt further review	I
	Agenda Item	
2.1.12	6.6 - Any SDCC Member willing to share photo and a few words to go onto website.	1
	None yet.	
2.1.13	8.1 - DV to attend Harbour Advisory Group Meeting and see if they had any Festive Season projects	1
	15/1/19 meeting attended. Discussed H&S in Harbour Area, Repairs Funding for 2019, No Immediate	
	Response on offer of festive funding. New webcam being installed.	
2.1.14	8.2 - RC to invite Citizens Advice to March meeting.	
	Done.	
2.1.15	8.6 - LW to write to Burns Memorial Garden Advisory Committee – Contemplation Tree	
	Not done yet.	LW
2.1.16	8.7 - Council to propose suitable SDCC Election Timetable	
	Emma Storey was actioned with this. Cllr D to seek feedback.	Cllr D
3.	Police Matters	1
	Not present. Report issued.	
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Planning and Development
Local Development Plan (LDP) & Main Issues Report (MIR)
PL outlined the process regarding the MIR.
The MIR supports the preparation of a new LDP, including carrying out consultation with Community Councils. This document will govern the future use of land within Aberdeenshire from the period 2021 to 2032. The MIR tries to identify what the main land use planning issues for the area might be and provides possible alternatives to inform the content of the Proposed LDP. The MIR was published on 14 January 2019 and the Proposed LDP, the "settled view of the Council", in about 12 months' time.
The close of the consultation period will be 08 April 2019.
Associated with the MIR there is an Interim Environmental Report for the Aberdeenshire LDP. A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment is currently under preparation.
It is their intention to publish all submissions made in this consultation, and follow this up by "Issues and Actions" papers on a topic basis in late summer.
There are a series of "drop in" sessions across the major towns in Aberdeenshire to allow discussion of any concerns with Planning Staff, to assist you in making a representation to the MIR. Stonehaven - Wednesday 6 th March – 14:30-19:00 – Stonehaven Community Education Centre. SDCC needs to prompt people to get involved. Through website and Facebook.
PL summarised what the MIR says about the proposed land use around Stonehaven.
The lack of new small scale and affordable housing, and employment opportunities are issues for the local community. Facilities for teenagers, the elderly and the less able to meet and engage continues to be a key element seen to be missing from the town, and Dunnottar Primary School and Mackie Academy need to be replaced. Concerns have been voiced over existing facilities not being fit for purpose, poor car park provision for visitors and at the train station, and pedestrian safety at the junction at Evan Street and Market Square.
Mains of Cowie: 250 homes, 4000m2 food retail and primary school – Not Preferred.
Ury Estate - Preferred: Blue Lodge – rejigged housing mix. Staying within overall enabling development numbers; East Lodge – rejig and increase in numbers part of enabling development; "Affordable Housing".
Ury Estate – Not Preferred: North Lodge.
AWPR Junction: - Not Preferred – Permutations of Petrol Station, Supermarket, Employment land.
Mill of Forrest/Toucks – Not preferred – large number of houses & disconnected.
Mill of Forrest/Dunottar Park – Preferred. Rejig of housing types. Went through on appeal.
East Newtonleys – site for Combined Depot and old site alongside A92 – no progress likely to be dropped.
East Newtonleys – Housing towards Braehead: Not Preferred – additional housing and retail.

	Braehead Extension – Not preferred.	
	Issues from our review is that some of these decisions align with the community's feelings – East Newtonleys/Toucks, but not all. Some key areas such as Ury Link Road and use of land around the AWPR junction do not appear logical or in the best interest of Stonehaven in the long term. Near term – AWPR junction/Link Road/Green Lodge Access; Longer term – those developments blocked by the isolation/lack of access issue.	
	Discussion. IH raised issue of the lack of Park & Choose facility and bus pull in for the big buses etc. Colocation of things like supermarket and bus park is seen as beneficial. Need for Strategic Integrated Planning. Strang-Steel clarified that it was Mains of Cowie, not Mains of Ury. Various Plan Reviews have taken	
	place regarding Stonehaven – both by Council and Stonehaven Town Groups – Stonehaven Capacity Report to be located and shared with Planning Secretary.	н
	ACTION: PL to prepare documents to be posted on SDCC Website and posted to other town groups in order that a consensus can be derived for the 6 th March drop-in. 5 th March Agenda item?	PL
5.2	Planning AOB	1
	None.	
6.	Business Matters	
6.1		
0.1	Presentation – Surfers Against Sewage and Beach Clean Initiative Amy Barclay regional rep for SAS. Major campaign against single use plastic by helping communities	1
	lower their plastic footprint. Aim is to get Aberdeenshire Council to Support.	
	5 Objectives – Businesses to stop using or replace SUP; Working with Schools; Working with community spaces and groups; 2 events in each community per year (winter and summer beach clean ups including audit of what is recovered);	
	Looking for support for initiative from SDCC in the form of a Pledge (400 communities working towards Plastic Free status). Next clean-up is in April.	
	AB will email AL material for circulation.	АВ
	John Cruikshank is now convener of Horizon and offered to link up on the beach clean.	
	Cllr R highlight the need to be mindful that some groups have disabilities that rely on plastic items, such as straws, where they are a feeding aid, not a disposable item.	
	JS discussed the unintended consequences of the bins along the beach front where there is no ability to segregate the waste – it's all deemed food contaminated and hence has to go to landfill. Need to get waste segregation bins in the right area.	
	Mark Gracey – new Community Waste Officer. Working with SAS. Involved in a number of work groups. Seeking information on any community	
	Request to MG to analyse the performance of the waste segregation bin units in the Market Square and to see if we can do something about the human elements.	MG
6.2	Environmental Group – RC	
	Leave until next month.	
6.3	Funding Proposal – collection buckets and tabards – PL	

	PL circulated a proposal to buy: 8 charity collection buckets and stickers to brand the buckets; and 8	
	tabards branded for SDCC.	
	Proposed BW, second MD.	
6.4	Funding was approved. Funding Proposal – Defib CCTV – JS	
0.4	March Meeting	
6.5	Events - Feein' Market, RC	
0.5	1 st June 2019	
	Can we take a stall? Can we make the commitment? BW willing to help, IH, PL. BW to propose securing	BW
	a banner for the stall.	
	SAS to share stand.	
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	£85 – PL to action.	PL
6.6	Roads report – B979 pavement update – MD	
	MD had tried to get Roads Department to come along, but no further response.	
	DM discussed the ongoing issues of the East Ury pedestrian access. Has been exasperated by the	
	ongoing gulley/road works that have closed the existing path.	
	At the Ward Meeting it was raised as to how this can be done safely, even as a temporary measure. The	
	response was that there wasn't a way that it could be created whilst the works were ongoing to do this	
	gulley work or to create the final pavement. The Area Manager was not satisfied with the response and is seeking a solution.	
	The pavement was a condition of Planning, but AWPR prevented it being done during their works. There	
	are also issues with land owners and the East Lodge access.	
	The current gulley work has nothing to do with the pavement works and no advance notice was given to	
	affected residents. Also, the AWPR at least had the decency to provide taxis for those who could not drive.	
	Elected Members to take action to ensure that there are adequate facilities in place to ensure the safe	Clir D
	deployment of the works point forward.	&
		Cllr
	BW reminded all that in response to a previous request from Elected Members to the Roads	
	Department, funding was one of the cited issues for not putting the measures in place. Cllr D said that to	
	her knowledge it wasn't monetary, but they had made a decision on the basis of a balance of risk decision, taking into account the hill, HGVs etc.	
6.7	TRAK Report – IH	1
	Consultation on the proposed changes to parking charges in the Market Square.	
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	Station Travel Plan – survey is available online and this will be followed by a consultation meeting, 1 st March.	
	Issue from Public about access and condition of fencing etc. Cllr D has a meeting being arranged with a wide spectrum of groups (two possible dates at the moment) to get to the bottom of the issues mentioned and more. Should be possible for SDCC Member to attend once date known.	Clir D
6.8	PPG e-consult – PC	
	Since the public meeting the PPG has been consulting and has made a series of recommendations – notably around communication. Practice confirms that they will have equivalent services in place for those who cannot utilise online access.	
	Community Education are helping with training for those who lack confidence with the forms etc.	
	Proposal to have another public consultation. No dates yet.	
6.9	Comms Group – BW	
	Member of public raised awareness of Support Group for Macular Disease Society. Highlighted problems/impossibility of reading websites. Cllr R highlighted the availability of support packages for visual impairment.	
	Website being used. Would appreciate material from SDCC Councillors – no bios contact details only.	SDCC
	Proposal to publish draft minutes onto website. Request to make sure that they are only released once SDCC have had chance to review and clarify before it goes to the website.	
6.10	The Bellman – Jane Cruickshank	
	The Bellman – material circulated previously. Means to share local news and information since the demise of the Leader and its local reporter. Need contributions from all sectors of the community and people who can act as community reporters. Hoping to engage with Mackie as part of their Media Studies. SDCC gave its full support for The Bellman	
6.11	Court Building – JS	
	Court Building – top floor is open. Offices being taken up by Pillar, KDP, Chiropractor etc. The Court Rooms are soon to be open to public use. Potential for SDCC to relocate its meetings.	
6.12	Coastal Flooding Survey - PC	
	First round of consultation closes tomorrow. Next stage is to come back with review of the options, eventually with a full public consultation.	
7.	Correspondence	1
7.1		
/.1	Commonwealth Graves Commission – Collecting memories through an event 23/2/19 – 10:00-12:00 – Mackie Academy	
	Hannah Dyson award – looking for dates. AL to make proposal on SDCC funding snacks etc once date agreed	AL
	Young Community Councillor. AL & DV have engaged with Mackie Pupils, but no uptake to date. Did have discussion around what could be done to meetings to engage and encourage youngsters.	
8.	Future Dates and Events	
	10:30 - 1 st March consultation on the Station Travel Plan – Station Hotel	1

	14:30-19:00 – 6 th March MIR Consultation – Community Education Centre	
9.	A.O.C.B.	
9.1	2 Minute Beach Clean	
	 Dawn Milroy - Will be looking to put in place resources to assist public in doing quick and easy beach clean. Have funding for boards and working with SAS. Request that SDCC add the boards to their public liability insurance. At moment do not have material to share with insurers. Action PL to share questions about Public Liability Insurance with DM Also noted by Members that support is for integrated action that recognises not only the beach clean up action, but the impact on land fill of unsegregated waste etc. as per discussion under 6.1. 	PL
10.	Date of Next Meetings	
10.1	Agenda Meeting:	
	Tuesday 5 th March 7:00pm start, Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven.	
10.2	Business Meeting:	
	Tuesday 12 th March 7:00pm start, Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven.	