



**STONEHAVEN AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**  
 7:15 to 9:30pm, 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019  
 Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven

<b>1.</b>	<b>Welcome</b>
<b>1.1</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
<b>1.1.1</b>	<b>SDCC Councillors:</b>
	Raymond Christie (RC), Ian Hunter (IH), Fiona Tavendale (FT), Mike Duncan (MD), Gerry Towler (GT), Bill Watson (BW), Patrick Coffield (PC), Donald A. Lawrie Morrison (DLM), Alistair Lawrie (AL), Daniel Veltman (DV), Keith Simpson (KS), Jim Morrison (JM)
<b>1.1.2</b>	<b>Aberdeenshire Councillors:</b>
	Councillor Dickinson (Cllr D), Councillor Robertson (Cllr R)
<b>1.1.3</b>	<b>Others in Attendance:</b>
	Emma Storey (EM) Aberdeenshire Council Mitch McKay (MM), Ian Balgowan (IB)
<b>1.1.4</b>	<b>Apologies:</b>
	Paul Lindop (PL), Julia Lawrie (JL), Councillor Agnew (Cllr A).
<b>1.2</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>
	None.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Approval of Last Minutes</b>
	<b>Corrections:</b> None requested. <b>Approval: Proposed MD , Seconded AL</b>
<b>2.1</b>	<b>Matters Arising from Last Minutes</b>
<b>2.1.1</b>	<b>Ref 2.1.1 – Jim Stephen to bring forward costed proposal for CCTV</b>
	Jim Stephen no longer a member – on hold meantime
<b>2.1.2</b>	<b>Ref 2.1.4 - Stonehaven Train Station Perimeter Site Visit Report</b>
	Cllr D has been chasing this but no reply yet.
<b>2.1.3</b>	<b>Ref 2.1.11 – Dog Fouling</b>
	Specific agenda item
<b>2.1.4</b>	<b>Ref 2.1.12 - Mental Health Consultation</b>
	Specific agenda item
<b>2.1.5</b>	<b>Ref 2.1.15 – Roads: Prioritisation of Projects</b>
	Specific agenda item
<b>2.1.6</b>	<b>Ref 5.2 – Self Build Seminar</b>
	Specific agenda item
<b>2.1.7</b>	<b>Ref 6.2 - Review Community Council Scheme of Establishment</b>

	PC will submit our response as presented at last meeting – deadline end-June	PC
<b>2.1.8</b>	<b>Ref 6.5 – Slug Road Bridge</b>	
	Cllr D reported that the estimated cost of lowering the road was around £500,000, most of which was due to cost of relocating utilities. MD suggested that we propose to Stagecoach either they provide suitable smaller buses or they make a contribution to the cost of the work to increase the clearance.	IH
<b>2.1.9</b>	<b>Ref 6.6 - Mental Health Consultation</b>	
	Specific agenda item	
<b>2.1.10</b>	<b>Ref 6.9 - Greener Kincardine &amp; Mearns</b>	
	Specific agenda item	
<b>2.1.11</b>	<b>Ref 9.1 - Blue Room at Community Centre</b>	
	Refurbishment had been costed. Will refer back to Ian Smith, Aberdeenshire Council Facilities Manager for latest status	RC
<b>2.1.12</b>	<b>Ref 9.3 – eConsult Public Meeting</b>	
	Will propose to PPG (Patient Participation Group) to hold a meeting in Sept	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Police Matters</b>	
	No police in attendance. Latest police report was circulated to all members.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Additional Matters from the Public</b>	
<b>4.1</b>	IB described an accident which happened when someone was injured climbing over a fence to access a path in Dunnottar Woods near the bridge on the old road between the A957 and Dunnottar Church. The fence was erected quite recently and IB suggested a gate should have been put in place to provide access to that path.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Planning and Development</b>	
	No report	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Business Matters</b>	
<b>6.1</b>	<b>Self Build - Proposals for Seminar</b>	
	Report on self-build was reported at last meeting. IH proposed raising the matter again with KDP with the idea of hosting a seminar. It was proposed that we invite James Stewart, Chair of Laurencekirk Development Agency to speak	IH
<b>6.2</b>	<b>Park Smart Campaign</b>	
	ES reported that all schools in Stonehaven are keen to take part and that funding might be available from the Parent Council budget. Next step will be to identify a teacher in each school who will be prepared to lead the project.	ES
<b>6.3</b>	<b>Dog Fouling</b>	
	MD has written to Aberdeenshire Dog Warden Gillian Able to ask her to make full use of powers available to her to enforce dog owners to take responsibility for dog fouling and suggested that she carry out regular patrols starting with the beach. Cllr D stated that she was already doing what MD had suggested.	
<b>6.4</b>	<b>Roads Prioritisation</b>	
	Cllr R reported that he had taken part in a site visit, organised by Ewan Smith of Aberdeenshire Roads Dept, on the section of the Netherley Road from the new roundabout at the A90/A92 junction to Kirkwood Homes. There is a plan to build a narrow (1.5m) pavement by the end of the summer. Only other feasible actions were to make the warning sign more visible by clearing the vegetation around it and temporarily to put in place some additional bollards. There have been some complaints that the signs on the roundabout at the A90/A92 junction are inadequate resulting in some drivers missing their turn-off. Aberdeenshire do not have responsibility for this but it will be reported to Bear Scotland and Transport Scotland.	
<b>6.5</b>	<b>Mental Health Consultation</b>	
	GT reported that a Participation Request had been submitted to the council and that he expected to hear confirmation next week. He had tried to meet with some members of the farming community but that	

	was not possible because it was a very busy time for them. He will try again next week. There were more than 100 responses to the survey.	<b>GF</b>
<b>6.6</b>	<b>TrAK report</b>	
	IH reported the difficulties of taxi operators who use minibuses for school runs but cannot make use of them for rural transport at other times. IH explained that competition for subsidised routes was hardly possible under the present arrangements. AL explained that the poor provision of rural transport for patients from Drumlithie or Glenbervie going to Aberdeen Royal Infirmary was such that they could only make appointments between 12 noon and 1:00 pm.	
<b>6.7</b>	<b>Tourist Signposts</b>	
	PC mentioned that some of the tourist signposts around the town were misleading or out of date. Cllr D stated that Visit Scotland will be updating the signs soon to remove the pointers to the Tourist Information Office which no longer exists.	
<b>6.8</b>	<b>Greener Kincardine and Mearns</b>	
	Discussed some of the issues around Waste Management. Aberdeenshire transport recyclable material to various places in the UK rather than abroad to e.g. Malaysia. Cllr D will send a link to a page on the Aberdeenshire website which details what happens to all our recycling materials.  Greener Kincardine and Mearns have launched an initiative to avoid single-use plastic throughout Stonehaven. Cllr D supports the initiative and is pushing for Aberdeenshire Council to change their procurement policy accordingly. Cllr D mentioned that there may be some limitations to the policy e.g. with regard to some medical applications.	<b>Cllr D</b>
<b>6.9</b>	<b>Comms Group</b>	
	BW reported that there was little enthusiasm among community councillors for setting up a stall at the Harbour Festival. It was agreed that we would not participate this year. PC has investigated options for providing SDCC email addresses. Zoho provide a free option for a limited number of email addresses. PC will forward their Terms of Service and Privacy Policy to DLM to check that there is nothing untoward before we register with them. Community councillors may want to submit some contact details, etc to be published on our website "Members" page.	<b>PC/ DLM  All</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	Nothing to Report	
<b>8.</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
	No new matters raised	
<b>9.</b>	<b>Future Dates</b>	
	Agenda Meeting - Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August 7:00pm start, Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven. Business Meeting - Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> August 7:00pm start, Invercarron Resource Centre, Stonehaven.	