



Collieston Amenities Committee

June 17 2008

Present

Trish Cowie, Isobel Davidson, Trish Davidson, Viv Easton, Sarah Gosden, Rachel Hitchcock, Sally Shehan (Acting Chair), Lesley Stewart, Julie Swan

Apologies

Roger Berl, Ewan Cowie, Gill Moir, Gillian Owen, Debra Storr, Niki Tait, Keith Newton

Approval of Minutes

May Minutes approved: proposer: Trish Davidson seconder: Julie Swan

Matters Arising

New road has been called Swan Close

Agenda

1 Councillor's Input

Harbour : Isobel Davidson had asked for wider information about the status of the pier in relation to her role as a Harbour Trustee. She was also interested in knowing about the funds which have been raised and set aside, and the history of the Harbour Trustees. Sally had again contacted Arch Henderson (Andy Martin) who repeat that they are about to start work. Monies have been set aside for this: Amenities Pier Fund is at £16,813.82, £12,400 is in a term deposit and there is about £4000 available as a working fund to meet costs as they arise. CASCT has about £3300 and Harbour Trustees also have monies for the pier.

One of the ladders in particular is dangerous – missing its top loops.

**Action Isobel Davidson to contact Arch Henderson to expedite matters
Arrange for harbour ladder repairs at the earliest moment. Sally to ask Steve Ritchie for name of contractor used last time**

Post Office Reduction of Hours

The timing of the proposed PO hours on a Tuesday morning is not seen as the most useful for most villagers. A Saturday morning would be more acceptable and reasonable.

Malcolm Bruce holding public meeting to discuss the Post Offices Review at 7.30 on 7th July in Rhynie

Action Amenities to register protest about the importance of the post office to the wellbeing of the community. Point out the need for a Saturday outreach service and in the event of the shop closing, the need for a travelling service.

Harbour and Scottish Power Works: the electricity supply line to be upgraded at the same time as Scottish Water's work: to minimise disruption, (road will be dug up only once), ensure effective use of public funds and provide a better electricity supply.

2 Constitution

The melded constitution will be available this weekend and it and the Amenities present constitution will be on view in the shop and on the website.

FAQs about the move to a Community Council will be on the reverse of the next Blether which will be sent out to Slains and Collieston households in the next week.

Action Ask Legal Services to scrutinise the suggested constitution Community Council Handbook can be accessed on line. Its website address to be listed in the next Blether and will be available from committee members Date to be advertised on the village website, the notice boards, the Blether and the shop.

Hold open village meeting to discuss the move to a Community Council: 3rd July Thursday 7.30pm

3 Treasurer's Report

Nicky Twine and Billy Russell, whose wedding was held on beach followed by reception in Hall, kindly donated all bar monies to the Amenities. Their guests also made generous donations to the Pier Fund.

Action send Thank You card to Nicky and Billy

4 Secretary's Report and Correspondence

Blue Flag Clean Beach: Collieston has been awarded a Blue Flag.

Action Sarah to liaise with Ken Ingram about how this can be advertised on the Collieston website

Grant from EGCP has been received to develop a booklet **Walk Around Collieston**

Action Working Group Sarah, Trish, Trish Lesley And Sally

Formartine in Bloom Plants have been delivered. There are surplus plants

Action Advertise to village that these are available to householders.

Playgroup are in process of cleaning up and improve the land around the old school house.

Seagull Workshop Likely to be 6th or 7th of July
Action To be advertised on the web as part of Gala events information

Appendix B Correspondence to June 17th : incoming and outgoing

5 Village Hall Update

The Rivie has been purchased after protracted negotiations; a village workshop has been arranged for August. The planning officials have given some indication about access and site; estimated costs at 2.2 million.

6 Gala Planning: 50th Anniversary

Gala detailed planning is well in hand. See Appendix A

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Cransdale Path

Sarah has explored what is happening regarding the Cransdale path. The situation is complex and is ongoing. The Cransdale path will be part of the Core Path (of importance to villagers) The path round the Ness is of less importance but its upkeep is under discussion. .

[Next meeting: Open Village Meeting July 3rd 2008 to discuss move to a Community Council](#)

Appendix A Gala Planning Detail

Wednesday Night and Saturday Skittles: CASCT: Bar, BBQ, and Event

Thursday Night: Parents' Forum: "The Pirates of Cransdale"

£2.00 children; adults £4.00. 7.30. Finger buffet. Fancy Dress and performances by local talents Key person Rachael Hitchcock

Friday: Quiz

Red Mongoose have been asked but are vague.

Actions Completed

Candy Floss and Fire Engine: Sarah

Lifeboat: Peterhead have confirmed availability

Raffle: licence organised and tickets printed

Book Stall: Fiona

Actions required:

Continue planning after open public meeting on July 3

Book a chocolate fountain?

Letters to go out to all local groups asking for volunteers

Ask each group to sell raffle tickets

Teas: Ask Brenda if she would organise a team 2.30 to 4.00

Bottle Stall: Ask Maggie Bell if she is willing and if she can't, Julie and

Trish D would be available.

Gas for BBQ Lesley to let CASCT know to order more gas

Beach Activities and or Children's Stall : Play group: Could they organise beach activities? Eg sandcastle competition, find judge, organise prizes, Simple hoopla etc games ? to ask Nigel's wife.

Cake and Candy Stall: Ask WRI Lesley to ask Trish Robinson

Publicity: Sally to update last year's Flyer of Events and email to all.

Include in this: request for additional tables, volunteers for putting up marquees, donations of cakes, books, bottles, plants and raffle prizes,

Food: Ask Debbie and Andrew (Store) if they will donate again. This is for Saturday afternoon. Key persons Sally, Julie and Niki.

Gas: Lesley to let CASCT know to order some for BBQ

SNH Sarah will contact Annabel regarding a stall

First Aid: Request Red Cross to attend.

White Elephant: Toys CDs Records, children's books etc

Fancy Dress: Friday Evening: organise the event, voucher prizes for all for shop, prizes, liaise with pipe band, liaise with Abby and Isla, find judge,

(Steve Emery and Mrs Emery?), arrange thank you for piper . Key persons: Trish Cowie and Ewan Cowie

Contact Cat Protection, Dolphin Gallery, Calendar Sales, Coastguards,

Plant Stall: Karen Leys might be willing to help

Chilli Dinners: put it out to tender?

Food for Saturday Evening: Is food needed: Stovies?

Saturday Entertainment

Actions **Book The Woodland Workshop in pm**
Ask Oxbow if they would headline in the afternoon in the bog
7.00? Woodland start entertainment. Ask them to confirm time
8pm Ceildh Band
Bars and Door need to be manned.
Check if sound system can be obtained for free.

Rachel to take forward with Andy Clucas

Appendix A Correspondence Incoming and Outgoing to June 17th to follow

Correspondence and emails received to 17th June 2008

- Westminster briefing – a new strategy for children’s health
- Area Office – report on Aberdeenshire Community planning board
- Area office – Community Council representation of the Community planning board
- Area office – energy saving report
- Formartine community council forum meeting, 6th February, 19th March, 7th May
- Inside Government – empowerment action plan event 18th June
- Area Office – Scottish Government Community Council working group report, pilots and ASCC website update
- Advertising village orderly posts
- Audit of housing land consultation
- BT phone box closures – Methlick, Udney Green and Longhaven
- Consultation on model scheme of establishment of Community Councils and Code of Conduct for community councillors
- Calor Village of the Year – notification of competition
- Glasdon water safety equipment brochure
- Area Office – April Information bulletin
- Safer Scotland – licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 leaflets
- East Grampian coastal partnership – newsletter summer 08+cheque for £1000
- Aberdeenshire Community Safety booklet
- Marine Conservation Society – Strandline
- Postwatch Scotland – issue 18
- SNH – Northern Lights 32
- Keith Newton – requirement to register for DP Act
- Zurich Insurance – enhanced cover in light of the corporate homicide and corporate manslaughter act 2007
- Gordon Rural Action – Membership 2008/9
- NHS Grampian – Consultation on a health and transport action plan for Grampian
- Scottish Water – Collieston Sewer Project- Sewage pumping station
- Aberdeenshire Local Outdoor Access Forum – Annual Gathering June 9th
- Formartine in Bloom invitation for entries
- Aberdeenshire Council planning and environmental services – Aberdeenshire local development plan
- Alex Salmond MSP – Post Office Network consultation
- University of Aberdeen School of Geosciences – Residents views on E.coli 0157 risk in rural communities
- Nationwide Community and Heritage Awards – nomination certificate
- Keep Scotland Beautiful – Rural Seaside Award certificates

- Planning and Building Warrant applications
28/3,11/4,18/4,25/4,2/5,9/5,16/5,30/5,23/5,6/6,14/6
- Collieston and Slains applications – Robert Nash, Coastguard Cottages, alterations and extension (25/4) Aberdeenshire Council, New classroom and staff room, Slains School (25/4) Mr & Mrs McKay Replacement dwelling house and garage 2 Waterside Cottages, Newburgh (25/4) Sir Richard Suttons Settled Estates, Steading conversion North Alehousehill Steading Slains (11/4) Mr & Mrs Tough, Replacement Dwelling house, Mains of Slains, Collieston (16/5)
 - Hardstone Music – contract for ceilidh band
 - Post Office Ltd – Area Plan proposal for North East, Tayside and Fife
 - Area Office – Community Planning Board summary
 - Zurich insurance – changes to claim processing system
 - Aberdeenshire Council – Law and Admin – Licensing(Scotland)Act 2005 – Application for premises licences
 - Glasdon – product information
 - Peterhead lifeboat – confirmation of lifeboat visit
 - Aberdeenshire Sports Council – issue 29
 - Cheque donation for pier fund from Billy and Nicola’s wedding

Emails

- Area Office – community councils, data protection act
- Area office – Scottish government survey of the ASCC stakeholders
- Area office – update on DP Act
- Gordon Leisure Trust application form
- Wendy Smith GRA – information sought
- Lorna Harris – citizens panel newsletter link
- Lorna Harris – send future CP issues to her
- Voluntary Sector e bulletin
- Lorna Harris – invitation to strategic housing partnership event City and Shire
- Councillor Merson – Post Office Closures
- Post Watch – PO closures
- Area Office – PO closures
- Area Office – consideration of council to suspend right to buy
- Area office – Data Protection Guidance
- GRA – Voluntary Sector forums Huntly and Oldmeldrum
- Councillor Davidson – Harbour survey report available
- Area office Revised CC minute 8th May
- Roger Berl – advance apology for absence 17/6 meeting
- Area Office – Commonwealth Games legacy meeting
- Area Office – Briefing Note CP Executive 7th May
- Area Office – Tidy Village Scheme 2008/9
- Andy Clucas – Collieston 50 big celidh proposal
- Area office – Piers Blaxter’s powerpoint presentation to FCCF
- Lorna Harris – information on Formartine in Bloom sponsors
- Ian Hay – EGCP – Water Quality Sign
- Area office – notification of a petition re fuel prices
- Sarah Rennie – Follow up letters on DP Act guidance
- Community planning partnership – information on working groups