



Slains and Collieston Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 30th June 2010

Present: Rachel Hitchcock, Trish Cowie, Huib Attema, Sheena Junor, Nora Harper, Roger Berl, Charles Esson, Sally Sheehan, George Jamieson, Nicole Bell, Councillor Merson

Apologies: Councillor Davidson, Councillor Owen, Sian Earlam, Ewan Cowie, Jonathan Mitchell

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
	Billy Russell had tendered his resignation	
Matters Arising	<p>Points raised at the previous meeting were discussed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new step required for the Shallie Brae had not yet been done owing to poor turn out at work party. • The council felt there were already sufficient litter bins on the pier and harbour area. • It was believed that no signs would be put in place at Cransdale until new steps were erected. Concern raised about the treacherous state of the coastal path in places. The Formartine Area Committee are to investigate this further. • Councillor Merson told the meeting that the Local Plan had gone through as expected. • Rachel asked whether the minutes are still being passed to the website. • Sian is working on her step by step process regarding planning applications. • Councillor Merson is organising a seminar for community council members. A full team of experts will be available for a whole day, probably a Saturday between 10 and 4 pm. More details will follow. • Councillor Merson had followed up concerns about parking and congestion in the village. Discussion on how best to improve situation particularly around the new housing development. Ongoing. • Sian has written to Aberdeenshire Council re the safety concern on the Cransdale Road. 	<p>Aberdeens -hire Council</p> <p>Sian Earlam</p> <p>Cllr Merson</p>
Secretary's Report	<p>Correspondence for the month included:-</p> <p>Received: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Information Bulletin on Planning services, education grants and transportation update from Aberdeenshire Council 2. Police service questionnaire online 3. MOM of Formartine Community Council in May <p>Sent:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Letter to council seeking clarification on ownership of road to Cransdale 	

	<p>1. Enquiry to council regarding any additional insurance required for Gala week</p> <p>Sally would follow up requirements for Gala insurance</p>	Sally
Gala	<p>All administrative tasks required for planning the Gala were nearing completion including licenses, bands, ordering etc. A further meeting was arranged the following week to which all community councillors and the community were to be invited. Rachel will phone round asking for volunteers. Volunteers were needed to man all stalls, bars, work parties etc.</p> <p>The Dolphin Gallery is now to be a bi-annual event; however Nienke Attema was trying to develop a Craft gallery instead.</p> <p>Huib has already got the floats for Gala prepared.</p> <p>A cheque for £250 had been received from Slains Estate, Sally will write a thank you letter.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Rachel</p> <p>Nienke</p> <p>Sally</p>
Treasurer's report/Financial update	<p>£7,041 Balance – Gala float money has taken out. £500 cheque presented to Slains School toward their new maths scheme.</p> <p>Helpers will be needed on the Sunday afternoon of Gala for the money count.</p>	All
CATs	<p>The group is to continue to meet fortnightly through the summer. Trish will be enlisting the group to collect the Tombola donations and to help on the white elephant stall.</p>	Trish
Collieston Pier	<p>By laws being revised and updated, will be presented to the Community Council on completion.</p> <p>Discussion about the white lines on the pier. These were at the request of Scottish Water who did not want parking on top of the manhole covers.</p> <p>Next pier meeting would be at the beginning of September. Fun Run on Saturday 3rd July and the Silent auction on 16th August. Notices about the auction to go out with the Gala programme. Huib volunteered the services of his children to deliver to the village.</p>	<p>Trish</p> <p>Sally</p>
Blether	<p>Gala programme will be sent out instead of Blether this month.</p>	Sally
Wellbeing Report	<p>Several residents were unwell or in hospital. Nicole would arrange for cards etc.</p>	Nicole
Work Party	<p>The work party had had a dismal attendance with only four volunteers. Repeated again that work parties benefit the whole community, and that communal areas are the responsibility of the whole community.</p> <p>The next work party will take place pre Gala.</p>	
CASCT	<p>AGM to be held on 16th July.</p>	
Planning	<p>No applications had been received this month.</p>	
Future	<p>Sally reported that a very favourable quote had been</p>	

Development of the Hall	<p>received from Thistle windows. The work has to be done via the Council's system; this has been actioned with the CLO. Grants have been obtained which will cover the cost of the windows and new blinds.</p> <p>The hall sub group had met to discuss priorities. The immediate tasks for the next 12 months are the windows, kitchen and perimeter wall.</p> <p>One member was concerned that money be spent on the kitchen if the plan is to incorporate the school house with a subsequent change of use of the building. The sub group believe it is important to upgrade the current facilities now for two reasons. The first is that the hall needs to be fit for purpose for users on a day to day basis, and secondly for the community to take back ownership of their hall.</p> <p>Upgrading the heating system, looking at the roof along with plans for development of the schoolhouse are longer term aims but are also being investigated.</p>	Hall sub group
AGM	<p>Discussion re arrangements for AGM (24th September) Council members to retire on rotation are Nora Harper, Trish and Ewan Cowie. Co-opted members to stand down are Sally Sheehan, Nicole Bell, and Jonathan Mitchell. All will be eligible for re election. Sally to contact Area office to ask them to arrange election.</p>	Sally
Any other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheena asked about the hole in the Kirk yard wall. Cllr Storr was investigating. • Request made for all user groups to be invited to a meeting about shared responsibility for use of the hall. • Sandwich and pudding lunch in aid of all refurbishment to take place on Sunday 4th July. • Fun Run on Saturday 3rd, 2pm at the hall. 	
Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 1 st September 2010 @ 7.30pm	