



Slains and Collieston Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 2nd November 2011

Present: Sarah MacPherson, Sally Sheehan, Nora Harper, Charles Esson, Trish Davidson, Sheena Junor, Julie Swan, Roger Berl, Susan Taylor, Trish Cowie (part meeting)

Apologies Councillor Isobel Davidson, Councillor Rob Merson, Huib Attema, Nicole Bell

In attendance Sgt Phil Lamb, Grampian Police
Annette Holland, Senior Community Learning and Development Worker

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Approve minutes	Proposed by Sarah MacPherson, seconded by Roger Berl	
Sgt Lamb Grampian Police	<p>There had been one incident of online fraud reported. This related to a computer scam where details of people's bank/email accounts are obtained by person purporting to represent Microsoft. The police will investigate any incidences where people have parted with money.</p> <p>A police surgery had attended the village the previous Sunday, but without much response. It had been unfortunate that it had been at the same time as the WRI's soup and pudding lunch. Everyone in agreement that the police mobile unit would be a welcome addition to the Gala.</p> <p>Sgt Lamb reminded the meeting to plan ahead for winter, both for bad weather driving and for increased criminal activity with longer hours of darkness.</p> <p>Reports of a car speeding through the village and local roads had been dealt with. Members present were asked to contact the police if they had any concerns.</p>	
Annette Holland CLD	<p>Annette introduced herself to the meeting. She is responsible for youth work in the Ellon Children's Services Network, including all the rural settlements. Ellon Community Learning and Development have previously supported youth work in Slains. Annette asked the Community Council to decide if they wanted to continue to have youth activity in the community; and if so to think about what format this would take. Things to consider would be-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are there sufficient numbers of young people? • Are there sufficient numbers of adult volunteers? • Is a paid youth worker necessary? • Do the age groups need to be split? • Would occasional outings/events be more popular than weekly or fortnightly meetings? <p>Questions were asked about rural nights In Ellon. This is no longer possible because of finances, transport costs and staffing.</p> <p>Newburgh church has a very successful youth club; this might prove a good model to copy.</p> <p>The Community Council are to write to local parents and young people to inform them of the situation and ask them to get together to decide what they want to do.</p> <p>Funds are very healthy with a combination of coastal café proceeds and the dormant bank account money.</p> <p>Membership of Youth Scotland is now due; everyone</p>	<p>Sally</p> <p>Trish C</p>

	<p>thought it a good idea to continue with this. Trish has the renewal form.</p> <p>The Community Council had made the decision to pay half the costs of the hall rental for the Coastal Café. Huib will be asked to make the appropriate arrangements.</p>	Huib
Matters Arising	All items to be discussed included in agenda business	
Secretary's Report and Correspondence	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Post:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Grid – DECC decision on their CCS Demonstration competition one • Councillor Merson – Rainbow Recycling • Mental Welfare Commission – Annual Report 2010-2011 • Mental Welfare Commission – a report into the use of compulsory community treatment in Scotland • Councillor Merson – Collieston and Slains Community Trust • Aberdeenshire Council – Application for occasional licence 5th November – conditions • Formartine Area Committee – papers for meeting on 25th October • Scottish Water – information and poster for Scottish Water's winter code • Neurological alliance of Scotland – flyer about neurological conditions • Scottish Natural Heritage – Autumn 2011 magazine • Aberdeen City and Shire – Strategic Development plan: Main issues report and draft supplementary planning guidance. • Confirmation on additional insurance premium re fireworks <p>Email:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invitation to Aberdeenshire Council Community Engagement Event • Mark Mitchell, community planning officer – poster – new temporary Fairtrade shop in Tarves • Aberdeenshire Council - Budget briefing papers 1 and 2 • Invitation to Planning Aid for Scotland • Parliamentary Reception 2011, 23rd November , The Scottish parliament • Formartine information bulletin October 2011 • Safe Drive Stay Alive event 2nd November • Insurance for fireworks night <p>Sally had emailed Chris York of Walking the Talk inviting him to the meeting. No reply received. Sally to contact again.</p> <p>The Skate Ramp and summer house had been dismantled and removed to the bonfire.</p> <p>Michael Milligan Estate Factor has intimated that he might attend the December Community Council meeting.</p> <p>Sally asked whether anyone was aware that the interpretation board in Cransdale was missing. The Council</p>	SS

	<p>had advised that although they had replaced old signs they had not removed the board.</p> <p>Meeting dates 2011/2012 were fixed as follows:-</p> <p>Wednesday 5th October Wednesday 2nd November Wednesday 7th December Wednesday 11th January Wednesday 1st February Wednesday 7th March Wednesday 11th April Wednesday 2nd May Wednesday 6th June Wednesday 27th June</p>	
Financial update	The Treasurer was not present. No significant income or expenditure this month.	
Arrangements for forthcoming events	<p>Bonfire Night Fireworks already purchased by Huib. Mike Earlam and Pete Somner volunteered to do fireworks Parent Forum to do bonfire, soup & hot dogs, clear up Community Council to do bar and set up and clean hall Drinks organised, Roger volunteered to do bar Licence application done, hall booked, posters up Annette Holland kindly offered the Community Centre's soup kettles</p> <p>Over 60's Christmas lunch 10th December Julie organiser in chief Mick Sheehan to do entertainment Sally to print invitations, Julie to deliver Sally will buy prizes and Santa gifts Community Council pay for the first drink Pre signed cheque taken to The Poachers to ensure immediate payment. Suggestion made that each person receives a Christmas card which will serve as a reminder of their order. Sarah will organise Collieston Christmas cards Santa suits to be found/bought</p> <p>Christmas tree and social 17th December Christmas Tree ordered from Auchmacoy estate Sally has ordered the raffle tickets Work party will be needed to erect tree and lights Trish C to organise Santa and mince pies etc in the hall Roo Night to be organised- Julie suggested Craig might be roo master. Laminated carol sheets are available Roger will help with the bar Sheena will ask if Sunday School can not run the next day if possible. Sarah will phone Sian to ask if she might like to be involved</p>	<p>CC members as listed</p> <p>CC members as listed</p>

	<p>with the hampers. Sally to do posters etc</p> <p>Burns 28th January. Susan Taylor has volunteered to coordinate the event. Sally will write out a list of what is required.</p> <p>Playgroup is organising a “Glitter Disco” on the 26th November.</p>	CC members as listed
Planning Applications	<p>2011/3394 6 Swan Place, Hightown, Collieston, AB41 8SF – erection of garden shed (retrospective)</p> <p>BW/2011/4197 Waters Edge, Collieston, AB41 8RT – Conversion of garage to form a 3 apartment dwelling</p> <p>APP/2011/3361 Netherleask, Ellon, AB41 8JT – erection of replacement agricultural building.</p> <p>BW/2011/4215 Nether Brownhill Cottage, Slains, AB41 8SL – Extension to dwellinghouse</p> <p>The Community Council made no representation on any of the above applications.</p>	
Pier	<p>The pier group had met the previous week. Concerns were expressed about the deterioration of the outside wall. It had been suggested that wood might be used for some repair work instead of metal or concrete.</p> <p>Although the group had been successful in raising an impressive £4k last year, this was still insufficient. Ideas for major and/or matched funding need to be explored.</p>	
Blether	Latest edition about to be printed	
Well Being	<p>Sheena had sent cards for bereavement, illness and congratulations.</p> <p>An obituary for Dr Argo will be written for the Blether.</p>	Trish D
CASCT	Area Manager has written to CASCT’s directors to ask their intentions.	
Work Parties	Tree erection – notices to go on website and Facebook asking for volunteers.	
Any other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Julie asked whether playgroup might like to decorate the hall for Christmas Fixing points are needed for decorations etc as NOTHING is to be hung from the new ceiling Quotes are needed for grass cutters for next year No tea towels were found in the kitchen. All users are requested to return these as soon as possible after laundering. Presence of mice again in the kitchen. Any food stuffs MUST be kept in air tight containers. 	Playgroup

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The WRI had made £300 at their soup and pudding lunch, hall bill still to pay. • Nora asked whether it might be possible to have a telephone list for the village. Because of Data Protection, this would require people to give their written consent before a list could be produced. • There had been problems with the cooker hob, but it was unclear whether this was due to being unfamiliar with the controls, the wrong type of pans being used or an electrical fault. • A hall users meeting is to take place on Sunday 15th January at 2pm. Two representatives from each group will be invited to attend. 	
Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 7 th December 2011	