



# CULTS FIELDSIDE AND MILLTIMBER COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2016 - 7.00pm**

*Café, Deeside Christian Fellowship Church, Binghill Drive, Milltimber.*

### MINUTES

<b>Chair</b>	Guus Glass (GG).	<b>Minutes Secretary</b>	Peter Smith (PS).
<b>Community Councillors present</b>	Nurul H Ali (NA), Christine Anderson (CA), David Anstee (DA), Guus Glass (GG), Sarah Gordon (SG), Colin Morsley (CM), Graham Payne (GP), Derek Robb (DR), Peter Roberts (PR), Lorna Sharp (LS), Peter Smith (PS).		
<b>Apologies</b>	Eleanor Brennan (EB), Cllr. Marie Boulton (MB), Matthew Dickie (MD), Terhi Geider (Newton Dee -TG), Kirstin Gove (KG), Cllr. Aileen Malone (AM), Shan Parfitt (SP), Theo Parfitt-Roche (TP-R).		
<b>In attendance for all or part of the meeting</b>	PC Bob McKinney (BK), Cllr. Tauqeer Malik (TM), Sgt. Doug Norrie (DN), Elmer Rojas (ER).		

Item	Topic	Action
1.0	<b>Welcome, Introductions and Apologies</b> GG welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received.	
2.0	<b>Police Report and Crime Prevention</b> Sgt. Doug Norrie introduced himself. He reported that there had been no serious crime recently in the area and most crime was opportunistic involving vehicles and bikes. PR reported that a member of the public had complained about speeding along Abbottshall Road. DN agreed to investigate. PC Bob McKinney, Crime Reduction Unit, introduced himself and stated that he reviewed all crime in the City every 24 hours or after a weekend. Aberdeen had the lowest crime rates for cities in Scotland and fourth lowest across the UK. He had noticed spates of crime, over 3 or 4 nights, mostly opportunistic, in the area. The majority resulted from unlocked house doors, unlocked garages, unlocked vehicles and bikes left unpadlocked or unattended. He wanted to raise awareness that simple routines could reduce crime. He asked for support of the CC and it was agreed to keep him informed of any event at which he would be able to have a stall or other opportunities to spread the message. Finally, he advised that insurers were increasingly rejecting claims where precautions had not been taken and that police should always be called to a burglary as forensics may help to solve a series of similar crimes.	DN  GG
3.0	<b>City Warden Report.</b> No report.	
4.0	<b>Attendance by Police and City Wardens</b> A paper proposing an annual meeting and reduced additional attendance by both police and city wardens had been circulated prior to the meeting. The idea for an annual review meeting was agreed, however both police and city wardens should continue to be invited to each meeting. It was also agreed to ask for a specific point of contact for any matters that the CC wished to raise with the police.	GG
5.0	<b>Minutes of the last CBMCC Meeting</b> The minutes of the August 2016 meeting were approved.	





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	raised possibility that the Great North of Scotland Railway Association might be interested.	
11.0	<b>Christmas Lights.</b> No report.	
12.0	<p><b>Community Plan.</b> A paper on the way forward had been circulated and copies were distributed at the meeting. GP had a copy of a similar document dated 1993. The proposals were broadly agreed and that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ GG should write an article for the next issue of MBC News.</li> <li>▪ There should be a new section of website with access only by members.</li> </ul>	GG GP
13.0	<p><b>Health and Social Services.</b> PS had circulated reports on the meeting on the 6 September of representatives from CCs in the West Locality and of the first meeting of the Local Leadership Group (LLG) of the West Locality. GG was congratulated on being elected Vice-Chair of the LLG. There was a discussion on the role and membership of the LLG. The CCs had requested that each CC nominate a member but Gail Woodcock, Integrated Localities Programme Manager, had indicated she wanted just two nominated from the CCs collectively. The LLG had setup a subgroup to consider representation of the public and community.</p> <p><b>Cults Medical Group.</b> GG reported that it had not been possible to arrange a meeting so far but the practice manager had responded that they agreed with and were already in the process of considering and implementing many of the points put forward by the CC and she suggested that therefore a meeting was not required. GG had replied welcoming the adoption of the CCs suggestions and proposing that a regular scheduled informal meeting between CMG and the Community Council - say twice a year - would be mutually beneficial.</p>	PS GG  GG
14.0	<b>Deer.</b> Following email consultation on the draft it was agreed to send the letter to ACC requesting the current status of the development of a collaborative approach to deer control.	GG/CM
15.0	<p><b>Footpaths</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ NA reported on the useful visit by John Duffy, from <i>Footpaths for All</i> and notes of the visit had been circulated to members of the footpath group. Further information from John Duffy was awaited.</li> <li>▪ The informal walk on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September had been successful, albeit limited numbers. It was agreed to that a more formal walk should be organised as part of the MBC Festival. The issue of insurance needed to be addressed.</li> <li>▪ An article describing a walk around Foggieton Wood had been drafted and would be submitted for inclusion in the next issue of the MBC news.</li> </ul>	Footpath Group
16.0	<b>Reports from:</b>	
16.1	<b>Treasurer.</b> GP stated that a bid was to be submitted to the ACC Festival Fund to support the carol concert.	GP
16.2	<b>More Blooms in CBM.</b> GP reported that 10,000 Crocuses would be planted over the next month and Pansies had been ordered for the tubs.	
16.3	<b>Litter Pick-up.</b> Nothing to report.	
16.4	<b>Carol Service.</b> DR reported that the arrangements were proceeding satisfactorily.	
16.5	<b>Civic Forum.</b> GG reported on a poorly attended meeting of the Forum at which there had been a presentation on Community Justice. The incinerator proposal had been referred to the NHS Health Board to review the health implications.	
16.6	<b>Community Council Forum.</b> PR reported on a meeting on the 5 <sup>th</sup> September which	



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16.7	<p>included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A presentation on the new planning website.</li> <li>▪ A presentation by the Senior Developer Obligation Officer from Aberdeenshire Council, who negotiates developer contributions with developers on behalf of ACC.</li> </ul> <p><b>MBC News.</b> PR stated the deadline for the next issue was 1<sup>st</sup> October.</p>	
17.0	<p><b>Report from Cllr. Aileen Malone.</b> GG summarised the report of AM who was unable to attend:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Condition of Kirk Brae.</b> She had been advised that major works must be done only after work at Friarsfield and Countesswells completed.</li> <li>▪ <b>Bridge behind The Mews on Kirkbrae over the Den.</b> Still chasing this matter.</li> <li>▪ <b>Caravan parked on South Avenue.</b> Unable to contact owner. Still under discussion.</li> <li>▪ <b>New Footpath into Foggieton Wood from Kirkbrae.</b> A meeting had been held with Alister Clunas of Aberdeen Greenspace Trust.</li> <li>▪ <b>Speeding - Kirkbrae Avenue.</b> Officers looking at options.</li> <li>▪ <b>North Deeside Road.</b> Overgrown trees affecting buses. All householders have received notification to cut their overhanging trees back.</li> <li>▪ <b>Main Street, Cults.</b> Mr. Milne had expressed appreciation regarding the improvement.</li> </ul>	
18.0	<p><b>General Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>ACC. 'Active Travel' Consultation.</b> Details previously circulated. Closing date was 11 November so time for discussion at next meeting. T P-R to be asked if he would like to take lead on this.</li> <li>▪ <b>Phone Box Closure.</b> BT consultation document previously circulated. Agreed no objection to proposed closures.</li> <li>▪ <b>Research Project 'Information literacy for democratic engagement'.</b> CM to circulate details.</li> <li>▪ <b>Low Risk Alcohol Guidelines.</b> These had been circulated.</li> <li>▪ <b>Active Aberdeen Partnership - Strategy Consultation.</b> CM to circulate and based on responses by members would complete the questionnaire.</li> </ul>	<p>CM T P-R</p> <p>CM</p> <p>CM</p>
19.0	<b>AOCB.</b> None	
20.0	<p><b>Closure.</b> The meeting closed at 21:30.</p> <p>Next meeting: October 27th at the at the Community Room, Cults, Community Centre (enter via the swimming pool entrance), Quarry Road, Cults, AB15 9TP.</p>	