Crathes Drumoak & Durris Community Council Monthly Meeting

1930 – Wednesday, 14th March 2018 – Crathes Hall

MEETING MINUTES

1. **Introductions & Apologies**

   Present : James O'Flynn (Chair), Marion McNeil, Mark Ansell, Peter Renwick, Emma Windle, David Reaich (partly), Cllr Ann Ross

   Apologies: David Morrish, Rosemary Bruce, Sarah Dickinson

   The meeting was quorate.

2. **Review & approval of previous meeting minutes.**
   Names in previous minutes had their spelling corrected
   The February 2018 minutes were proposed by M McNeil and seconded by E Windle.

3. **Update on Constitution**
   P Renwick circulated marked up comments of our draft constitution with comments on 2 areas by Aberdeenshire's Council's legal group.
   CDDCC decided that members of the council cannot be a non-resident that is also a member of another community council.
   The Council queried part of the constitution that allowed council assets to be held in the name of the chairman as they thought this could lead to issues in the future.
   P Renwick agreed to reply with our comments and a revised version with the aim to resolve this by the next meeting so that we can begin to align ourselves with the new Scheme of Establishment.

4. **Secretary's Report & Correspondence**
   Communications Issued
   15th February Marion McNeill shared information on proposals for commemoration of Armistice Day later in the year.
   28th February: David Morrish issued preliminary invite for Crathes Walkabout.
   9th March: Mark Ansell shared the link to the Netco survey for the Outdoor Activity Centre.
   13th March: Zurich Insurance emailed regarding updating our details ahead of 1st April changes.
   Numerous social media updates were issued, for example, for road closures, bus interruptions due to snow etc…

Communications Received

15th February: The Final Local Development Plan Scheme was shared. (imperative to comment before 31st March regarding Banchory Academy).

20th February: Cllr Ann Ross provided details of the chair for the new campaign group for Banchory Academy.

20th February: Notice received of application for Milton Brasserie for liquor licence to sell alcohol for consumption on and off premises. (Consultation date expires 16th March).

22nd February: A resident of James Gregory Road got in contact regarding dog fouling on the road past the electric station going towards Barrows gate
House. This is a worsening issue and assistance is sought.

24th February: We received an invite to the project launch for a Deeside Visitor Centre (held on 13th March).

28th February: Community council forum was cancelled due to the weather.

8th February: Invite received for a community resilience event in Edinburgh on 21st March.

18th February: Draft Health and Social Care Locality Plans were shared along with a link to the plans and a questionnaire. These are available from 15th to 25th March.

27th February: There will be an AWPR update on Tuesday 27th March.

27th February: We received information on a review by the Aberdeenshire Health & Social Care Partnership of Minor Injury Units across Aberdeenshire.

27th February: We received an invite from National Trust for Scotland to an new textiles exhibition called Dressing Up Drum to be held at the Castle on 23rd March at 6.30.

5th March: The mobile library services, which calls at Drumoak, will resume service on 19th March.

7th March: We received details of training and other community council services available from PAS (Planning Aid for Scotland).

9th March: Consultation on Strategic Development Plan will be held from 12th March to 21st May. 80 pages.

12th March: Craig Paton, from Evening Express, contacted us to say he would be our reporter and that although he can't attend our meetings as he doesn't have a car he would like copies of the MOM.

13th March: Scottish Parliament Economy, Jobs and Fair Work Community shared information on the fact that between 2010-2017 one-third of banks have closed and there is a link to a questionnaire regarding feedback on the impact this has.

13th March: a request for volunteers to join the Aberdeenshire Local Licensing Forum was received including a webpage and contact email address.

Weekly Planning Lists were received for Marr and Kincardine & Mearns, along with the KDP Weekly Updates and Police Reports for both Areas

Actions arising from communication.

New Banchory Academy : It was agreed that CDDCC should support calls for support for reserving the potential site for a new school despite the changes occurring when the school swimming pool will be converted to a multi function room and swimming will take place in the new Sports Centre. Action taken by E Windle to draft a letter of support.

Aberdeenshire Strategic Review : we have until May to comment upon this; P Renwick offered some initial comments – Deeside will remain outside the 3 main development corridors citing poor transport links (despite AWPR) , infrastructure and educational limits as reasons for not focussing on this area for development.

Aboyne Minor Injuries Unit : Cllr Ann Ross encouraged CDDCC to voice its opinion on the future of this facility.

5. **Police Report**
   There was no new police report.

6. **Finance**
   (i) CDDCC Accounts
   Two incoming amounts: Funding from Aberdeenshire - £556
   Midhill windfarm - £1,326

Bank balance is currently £2,190

7. Planning applications

(i) Crathes
Two requests for house extensions were put in

(ii) Drumoak
Five applications in Durris and a garage plan was filed

(iii) Durris
No planning applications

8. Any other competent business

The council wanted to remind the community to be aware of the travellers that stayed in Drumoak as they may return.

The next meeting in Drumoak will be during Easter – we need to check if the school is open.