Fordyce, Sandend & District Community Council <u>working</u> meeting Thursday 23rd February 2023 – 7.30pm

Present:

Cameron Ewen (CE)	Community Councillor - Chair
Bertie Robertson (BR)	Community Councillor – Vice Chair
John Anderson (JA)	Community Councillor - Secretary
Claire Meadows (CM)	Community Councillor - Treasurer
Audrey Stewart (AS)	Community Councillor
Jenny Taylor (JT)	Community Councillor
Jane Winfield (JW)	Community Councillor

Apologies:

Marion Timmins (MT)	Community Councillor
Joanna Anderson (JoA)	Community Councillor
Ivan Owen (IO)	Community Councillor
Ruth Pirie (RP)	Community Councillor

Abreviations;

Aberdeenshire Council – AC

Southern and Scottish Electricity Networks - SSEN

Fordyce and Sandend Community Council – CC

Sandend Amenities Council - SAC

Cullen and Deskford Community Council - CDCC

- 1. Chairman Cameron Ewen opened the Community Council working meeting at 7.30pm. Apologies given for MT, JoA, IO, MT and RP
- 2. Minutes of the previous meeting 12th January could not be accepted as this meeting was a working meeting, rather than an official CC meeting
- 3. Online banking to be arranged for the CC account. Action CM
- 3. It was reported that AC had worked with CC members to enable the planting of the scheme of planting agreed in the January CC meeting. Great work by CM, AS, JT and others to make this happen.
- 4. Correspondence: Scottish Water response to thaw and rise in burst pipes was circulated.

Funding opportunity – Coastal Communities Challenge Fund 2023 – 2024 information was ciculated.

- 5. Police Report; The latest report had been circulated.
- 6. Matters Arising
 - a. Growing Living Greenspace Initiative It was reported that the planting scheme had been enacted and the fruits of the teams labours were there to see for everyone. Congrats to all involved
 - b. Dunes Protection Update It was reported that Seafield Estate had tried to contact SEPA to no avail. This now falls to the CC to try to move forward. Conversation to be had with SEPA to determine if it would require a full process to move sand and shingle from the West side of the mouth of the Scattery Burn to the East side, or if a simple statement of intent would suffice as it was merely moving material in existence on the beach to and adjacent part of the beach. Action JA
 - c. Seaview Road Slippage It was decided that contact was to be made with the local Councillors to try to move this on and overcome AC's reticence to carry out any preventative works. Action JA
 - d. CC Noticeboard It was reported that there had been no further action on this subject. It was stated that it will likely form part of the proposed Community Action Plan. It now falls under the remit of the Action Plan working group Action CM, RP, JT and JA
 - e. Resilience Plan Significant work had been caried out by AS. The initial plan is to engage with SAC. Action CE, AS, RP, CM, JT, and JA
 - f. JA apologized to the CC as he had lost the leaflet he had created for the Resilience and Community Action Plans somewhere on his computer. This is

the leaflet to start initial engagement within the CC's boundary and includes Fordyce, Sandend and the rural district. Action JA

- g. It was decided that contact was to be made to obtain the report on the bridge that followed AC's inspection. The CC was to contact AC to gain sight of the report. Action JA
- h. The meeting could not be construed as a full meeting of the CC as JA had failed to issue the Agenda at least three working days ahead of the meeting. He apologized to the CC for this error the requirement for which is contained within the CC's Constitution.
- 7. Local Updates and Reports

Dealt with in 6. above

- 8. Updates from AC Councillors
 - a. No Councillors present
- 9. Any other business Covered under matters arising
- 10. Matters outstanding
 - a. Meeting with Duncan Leece still to be set up. Action JA
- b. Rural internet poor. Digital Engagement Team to be contacted. Action unallocated
- 11. Next meeting to be held Thursday 23rd March 2023 in Fordyce village hall.