Fordyce, Sandend & District Community Council Meeting Thursday 24th August 2023 – 19:30

Present:

Cameron Ewen (CE)	Community Councillor - Chair
Phil Meadows (PM)	Community Councillor – Vice Chair
John Anderson (JA)	Community Councillor - Secretary
Claire Meadows (CM)	Community Councillor - Treasurer
Ivan Owen (IO)	Community Councillor
Audrey Stewart (AS)	Community Councillor
Jane Winfield (JW)	Community Councillor
Peter Tumelty (PT)	Community Councillor
Bertie Robertson (BR)	Community Councillor
Joanna Anderson (JoA)	Community Councillor
Charlie Gray (CG)	Community Councillor
Jan McRobbie (JMcR)	Aberdeenshire Council

Apologies:

Jenny Taylor (JT)	Community Councillor
John Cox (JC)	Councillor Aberdeenshire Council
Stewart Adams (SA)	Councillor Aberdeenshire Council
Glenn Reynolds (GR)	Councillor Aberdeenshire Council

Abreviations;

Aberdeenshire Council – AC
Southern and Scottish Electricity Networks - SSEN
Fordyce and Sandend Community Council – FSDCC
Community Councillor - CC
Sandend Amenities Council – SAC
Cullen and Deskford Community Council – CDCC
Community Action Plan – CAP
Community Resilience Plan - CRP

No.	Detail	Whom
1.	Apologies and declarations of interest	
	Chairman Cameron Ewen opened the Community Council working meeting at 20.04. Apologies received as above.	
	JoA advised she has taken the position of Secretary at Sandend Harbour Trust. It was determined there was no conflict of interest with this appointment	Note
2.	Minutes of Last Meeting	
	Minutes of previous meeting 29/06/23 accepted. Proposed by BR and seconded by JW.	
	CC queried how we are certain that actions are followed through. It was agreed that actions would be picked up as part of section 9.	Note
	Separate Action Register to be created.	JA
3.	Treasury Report	
	Balance as of 24/8/23 - £6163.87	
	Admin grant of £543.26 was due to be paid. Banff and Buchan Area Office require draft AGM minutes of meeting 2023 and GDPR forms to release the grant.	JA
4.	Correspondence	
	Sandend Village Fencing - it was stated that photographs and additional information had been submitted to the planning department seeking clarity of wether the new fence was in breach of planning legislation applicable to a conservation area.	JA
	Household Hardship Fund - Secretary confirmed a letter of apology had been sent.	Note
	Messers J Smith - Container on public road	
	Secretary liaised with AC, Alistair Miller (AM). AM will formally write to Messers J Smith for the container to be moved.	Note
	Sandend - Burial of Whale	

	Secretary continued conversations with AC regards protocol/policy for burial of whale on beach.	JA
	David Diguid - Surgery	
	Email circulated amongst CC re above surgery on 25th August 2023 @ 16:00.	Note
	Glenglassaugh Distillery	14010
	All CC's have been invited to above on 21st September 2023. The following CCs will be attending:	
	Audrey Stewart, Cameron Ewen, Philip Meadows, Jane Whinfield, Charlie Grey, Bertie Robertson, Ivan Owen and Claire Meadows.	Note
	Planning	
	Treasurer made Secretary aware of two planning applications for Fordyce. Jan McRobbie would liaise with planning and share the Secretary's contact details.	JMcR
	Planning Department	
	Secretary liaised with AC over 6 strand wire fence and whether this is permanent or not, the conversations continue.	JA
5.	Police Report	
	Report circulated by email on 11th August 2023. Localised Police report to be supplied going forward.	Note
6.	Matters Arising	
	CAP	
	CAP was circulated to all CC members before the meeting.	Note
	There was a unanimous vote in favour of agreeing the community action plan.	Note
	Due to the number of 'roads' issues it was advised by JMcR to invite the roads department to the next community council meeting to discuss:	
	Forydyce, Sandend and Rural - Traffic calming options.	JA
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	CRP	
	Draft CRP was circulated to all CC members before the meeting.	Note
	SSEN funding application submitted.	Note
	Resilience Plan to remain flexible.	Note.
	Maintenance of resilience items to be included within the plan.	AS
	CC queried requirement for generators for resident's properties. Suggested investigation of permanently charged battery banks.	
	There was a vote in favour of agreeing the CRP and application to the Area Initiative Fund for:	
	Water Safety Equipment - £8214.33 / £6571.46	
	Resilience Store Items - £5684.54 / £4547.63	
	Picnic Benches - £909.60 / £727.68	
7.	Local Updates	
	Bridge C4L damaged at Barnyard Road - chase up repairs.	JA
8.	Updates from Aberdeenshire Councillors	
	Non in attendance	
9.	Any other business	
	Website Traffic	
	12,279 page views	
	2,343 users	
	70 unique users per day.	
	Vice Chairman suggested that CC photographs should be included on website and all CCs agreed. Photoshoot to take place before next meeting - commencing at 19:00 - 28th September 2023.	
	It was identified that three people had long service on the CC.	
	Names to be supplied to Secretary concerning ex CC.	Ю
	Next Meeting	

28th September 2023 19:00	