

## **CRAIGIEBUCKLER AND SEAFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of monthly meeting held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2016  
7.30 pm, Douglas Lounge, Craigiebuckler Church

**PRESENT:** Aileen Brown (Chairperson)  
William Sell (Secretary)  
Robert Frost (Planning)  
Rhona McCallan (Minutes)  
Karen Reilly (Committee)  
Dana Blyth (Committee)  
Joe McCallan (Committee)  
Ainsley Mitchell (Committee)  
Caroline Walker (Committee)  
Police Officers (2)  
Cllr Martin Greig  
Daniel Laird (First Bus)  
Members of the public (1)

**APOLOGIES:** Allan Davidson (Treasurer)  
Eric Murdoch (Committee)  
Cllr Jennifer Stewart  
Cllr John Corall

### **WELCOME**

William welcomed everyone to the meeting as Aileen was attending another meeting prior to this one. The meeting commenced at 7:30pm.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the previous meeting of Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016 were approved.

Proposed: Robert Frost

Seconded: Ainsley Mitchell

### **POLICE REPORT**

The Police Report for September 2016 had already been circulated to members and is available on the Craigiebuckler and Seafield Community Council Website. We were informed that crime in the area was down from the previous month and that there would be a speeding operation next week at Airyhall Primary School.

### **SPEAKER**

Daniel Laird from First Bus gave feedback on the evening bus service. The numbers of people travelling on the bus was slowly increasing (especially the end of the week) but still a little bit away from being profitable.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

1. Letter of Thanks to Cllr Ross Thomson MSP. William sent a letter, on behalf of the committee congratulating Ross on his new appointment and thanked him for his support as a local councillor.
2. Potholed Roads. William has sent photos of the dreadful potholes in nearby roads eg Woodburn, Angusfield Avenue etc to the Council. Cllr Greig has stated that people need to keep sending photographs and letters as more complaints means more notice the Council will take and hopefully quicker action. It was brought to the meeting's attention that the back lane behind the Johnston Gardens had been recently upgraded but was already falling apart.
3. Representation for the Appeal against Refusal of Planning Permission of 22 Kinaldie Crescent. A site inspection from a Planning and Environment Reporter will be carried out on 5<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm. This is an open visit to which any one can attend and put forward their objections to the Reporter. There was also an update on why a tree preservation order may be not be appropriate.

**CORRESPONDENCE** William had forwarded email correspondence to all committee members prior to the meeting. These include:

- Hazlehead Academy Library. Received an email requesting suggestions to raise the £46,000 required for the school library to acquire 5000 books. Initial thoughts from the committee included asking the council, lottery funding and using the school's business links.
- Notice of statutory consultation on changes to school zones in Aberdeen City. This includes the Fernielea and Hazelhead school zones. Further information can be found on the Aberdeen City Council website. Discussion expanded to include the Countesswells Development and the fact that a primary school won't be built until at least 500 houses are occupied.
- Learning Partnership Review. See emails.
- Email received from Karen Rennie stating that there will be agents from the AWPR at Woodhill House on the 17<sup>th</sup> October at 1700hrs for an update meeting.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

The account has a balance of £651.41.

## **PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT**

Robert has already put his report onto the community council website. Also discussed was Kinaldie Crescent and William's excellent letter of representation. Robert had also attended an open day for Dandara as they are now planning to put in bungalows and retirement flats in place of the original housing. It was stated that the retirement flats would have lifts fitted in them.

Countesswells Development. Robert went to meeting held at the Cults Hotel. There will be alterations on the North side which will be built done in 3 phases. Building work will start this month and first houses should be ready for January 2017. There was a long discussion re Health Service and Schools which are already overcrowded. The Countesswells Road will be again be closed this time from 17<sup>th</sup> December until mid February 2017.

A short discussion was held on the potential private hospital and retirement village plans for the old Dobbies site.

## **FORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

No new topics to discuss.

**AOCB**

William and Aileen attended the West of City Health and Social Care Partnership. There is a strategic plan for period 2016-2019 available online.

The plan outlines the Council's ambitions for adult health and social functions and services. William's suggestion was that there was a lack of communication between Planning and Health Care Providers in respect of the large scale Housing developments. The local Medical Practices are at full patient capacity and this is before the new Countesswells Development has begun.

Aileen was at the first meeting of the Cults Health and Social Care Partnership but joined the Community Council Meeting later on.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held in the Douglas Lounge, Craigiebuckler Church on Tuesday, October 4th 2016 at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.