

## **CRAIGIEBUCKLER AND SEAFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of monthly meeting held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Douglas Lounge, Craigiebuckler Church.

### **Present**

Aileen Brown, William Sell, Cameron Campbell, Dana Blyth, Karen Reilly, Caroline Walker, Rhona McCallan, Ainsley Mitchell, Joe McCallan.

Cllr Martin Greig.

Police (Sergeant Simon Lewis-Dalby )

Members of the Public: One

### **Apologies**

Robert Frost, Cllr John Cooke.

### **Minutes of the last Meeting**

Proposed: William Sell

Seconded: Cameron Campbell

### **Matters arising out of the Minutes of the last Meeting**

1. The Community and church celebration weekend from Friday 7th September to Sunday 9th September was attended by Aileen and William. Aileen reported that although there wasn't as big an attendance of children over the weekend and the Friday concert was re-scheduled due to the lead singer being unwell it was a successful weekend. The Reverend Petrie stood in with an impromptu singing performance for those turning up.
2. Seagull Nuisance –The council have a leaflet “Living with Urban Gulls” which provides guidance for businesses and residents in Aberdeen. This can be found on the Aberdeen Council’s web site.
3. Cameron raised the issue of joggers relieving themselves in the gardens around Macaulay and having to confront them on their unsocial behaviour. The police also had reports of joggers congregating early in the morning and causing a bit of a disturbance. The police advised that the jogger’s organisations were receptive to complaints and the community council should in the first instance contact them.
4. The query raised concerning alcoholic drinks being provided by businesses was clarified in so much as this was an illegal activity unless it was being provided free to everyone who wished to participate. It was thought unlikely that the council would check or monitor in any way this practice.

5. Pruning of trees behind Springfield Avenue. Residents' complaints:- Aileen, William, Cameron and a Springfield Avenue resident met with Richard Nicholson, Arboriculture Officer, Aberdeen City Council at the site to point out that branches of trees which had been recently pruned had been left in plain sight on a grassed area next to 35 Springfield Avenue. Mr Nicholson agreed to remove the branches. Further discussions were held with Mr Nicholson pertaining to the condition of the area behind the Springfield Avenue Gardens. Mr Nicholson was informed that we wanted to meet him in that area again when the trees had shed their leaves and the site could be viewed in its true state.

### **Police Report**

Sergeant Simon Lewis Dalby summarised this month's report.

1. Residents to be vigilant if seeing larger vehicles/vans very late on in an evening going towards Hazlehead as the recycling site has been broken into and batteries have been stolen (lead is expensive). The Charity Shed has also recently been targeted.
2. Young people have also been seen trying to get over into the Pet's Corner and have been posting selfies with the animals. There is therefore damage to the compound as well as unnecessary disturbances for the animals. Anyone seeing or knowing of this happening should phone the police on 101.
3. There was another theft from a vehicle last month, which again, was left unlocked.

### **Correspondence**

All items of correspondence already emailed to Members. No queries were raised.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Cameron stated that the balance was standing at £1264.50. A £300 cheque for Christmas Lights was issued but not yet cashed.

### **Discussion with City Councillors**

There were no new issues raised with Cllr Greig under this item.

### **Planning Report**

William reported that the new house development at 22 Kinaldie Crescent had now been approved with access to both properties being provided via the existing 22 Kinaldie Crescent site.

### **Traffic Report**

No items raised.

### **Civic Forum Report**

No report

### **Community Council Forum Report**

No report

### **A.O.C.B.**

Aileen reported that rats were sighted on properties in Springfield Avenue and she had relayed the information to Aberdeen Council. She also intimated that she had received a bill for £150 from Aberdeen Council for setting traps in her garden.

Although this is normal practice, as detailed on Aberdeen Council's website, Cllr Greig said he would confirm with the pest control team.

Cameron asked if next month's agenda could include an item for discussing ideas on how we could spend our funds.

### **Date of next Meeting**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018, at 7.30 pm in the Douglas Lounge, Craigiebuckler Church Hall.