

Minutes of a meeting of the City of Brechin and District Community Council held on Tuesday 6th August 2019 in The Crickety Brechin.

In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair Garry Robertson took the Chair and welcomed the company.

Present.

Garry Robertson, David Dewar, Douglas Murray, Jocky McLean and Eric Gray. Councillor Braes (Angus Council).

2 Members of the public.

Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Jill Scott, Susan Barr, Mary Anderson, Steve Dempsey, Councillor Myles and Police Scotland.

Minutes of Last Meeting.

It was proposed by Douglas Murray, seconded by Jocky McLean, that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th June 2019 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising.

• <u>Half Pipe</u> Estimates are being sought for the repair of the half-pipe. It is hoped that it can be used at the Crickety when ready.

Police Update.

There were no Police Officers present and no report had been received. One member of the Community Council said there had been a recent case of vandalism at Trinity Garden Centre and it was rumoured that used hypodermic needles had been found. He was unsure if the Police were aware of this. Another member said he strongly suspected that drugs were being dealt in Lidls car park. The Secretary will contact the local police to outline our concerns.

Councillors Update.

Councillor Braes said there was little to report as Angus Council had been in recess over the holiday period.

There had been problems over the summer with Travellers camping in the Public Park and leaving behind a mess which had cost £10, 000 to clear up. However, it would cost around £30.000 to erect barriers around the park . It was felt this would not be a good use of Common Good Fund money. There was a full discussion of the matter but no conclusions could be reached.

The Town Centre Fund has made no contact with local businesses and is difficult to pinpoint where the money will be spent. One member suggested that increased parking be provided in City Road with improved access to the High Street. Councillor Braes will find out who to contact in Angus Council.

There had been complaints of overgrown hedges restricting footpaths. There is a process to be followed to get these cut back.

The issue of dropped kerbs will be looked into.

The Re-cycling centre will be closed for 3 weeks in September for repairs including a full resurface. It was noted that there are no facilities for soil and turf disposal at the



Brechin site but there is a little used skip for plasterboard. It was also suggested that ther was misuse of the voucher system but Council Officers are aware of the problem.

Health Group Update.

The Health Group have had a meeting with the Integration Joint Board who are keen to work with the Community. They will not support the Community Asset Transfer of the Infirmary building. The health Group are also meeting with the North east Locality Improvement Group. Slow progress is being made and there is much competition for funding.

AOCB.

Brechin Boxing Club have asked for a donation towards there start-up costs. The Community Council agreed a £250 contribution.

Brechin High School Technical Department have built two benches for Little Brechin and would be happy to do more for Brechin.

There was discussion around the phone box further consideration will be given as to its future.

Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 3rd September at 7.00pm in the **COMMUNITY CAMPUS.**

There being no further business Garry thanked the attedees and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.