



## **Minutes of a meeting of the City of Brechin and District Community Council held on Tuesday 1st October 2019 in The Crickety.**

Jill Scott took the Chair and welcomed the company.

### **Present.**

Jill Scott, Douglas Murray, Garry Robertson, Susan Barr and Eric Gray  
Councillors Braes, Myles and Nicol (Angus Council)

### **Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies were received from David Dewar, Mary Anderson, Jocky M<sup>c</sup>Lean, Steve Dempsey and Police Scotland.

### **Minutes of Last Meeting.**

It was proposed by Douglas Murray, seconded by Garry Robertson that the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

### **Police Update.**

There were no Police Officers present but a report was received, During the period from 01/09/2019 – 30/09/2019 there has been 78 crimes reported in the Brechin area which cover a variety of incidents. Included in these numbers are Vandalisms/Theft/Theft by Housebreaking/Assault/Sexual Crimes/Anti Social behaviour/Drugs and Road Traffic Offences. Out of these crimes approximately 60% were detected.

#### Incidents of Note

A robbery occurred at Denis's newsagents/post office in Montrose Street Brechin when two males brandished weapons at staff and made off with money and property. Fortunately no one was injured as a result of this incident and the CID are making enquiry into who was responsible.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> September Community Officer Roy Buggins sadly collapsed and died at his work. Roy was a son, husband and father as well as a great friend to many. He was an excellent police officer who had served the local Angus community for 29 years. He will be sadly missed by us all.

Angus officers continue to work with our colleagues in the Divisional Road Policing Unit (DRPU) and the Trunk Road Policing Group (TRPG) to tackle road safety and associated crime.

As local children return to school officers along with partners carried out a whole day of inputs to the new S1 pupils to promote community awareness/responsibility as well as advice and guidance across a variety of issues.

Safer Communities Crime Prevention Week will run from 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 with the following daily themes. Officers in Scotland will be looking to provide inputs throughout the country relating to.

Home Safety

Cyber Crime

Shut Out Scammers/ Financial harm

Personal Safety

Vehicular crime



Sgt Renilson would like to remind everyone that if there are any areas of concern than need addressed can these be brought to the attention of the community policing team via the Feedback section of the document.

Police surgeries are to be arranged for the remainder of the year. Officers are looking to vary the locations so there is opportunity to expand attendance across the area.

### **Councillors Update.**

There will be no money available for improvements to the pavements and installing dropped kerbs in Commerce Street till April2020. Drooped kerbs are also required at Slater Gardens and Eastmill Brae.

A traffic survey has been commissioned and will commence shortly in Montrose Street and the Barehill Junction.

The Inch Maintenance and Preservation Group has been refused the Community Asset transfer for the old Leisure Centre.

The Common Good fund is facing latrge bills for the upkeep of buildings.

### **Health Group Update.**

Brechin health group have started a crowdfunding page to pay for surveys of the former Brechin Infirmary building.

The Scottish Land Fund have asked that the Health Group provide evidence of Community Support for their plans.

### **AOCB.**

There is still evidence of fly tipping in the Hill Wood.

The re-painting of the Band Stand in the Public Park has been completed and both the Band stand and the park are looking well.

The parking at Masiondue School by members of the public is being looked into.

The closure of the toilets in Southesk Street has been put on hold. The toilets in library are now open to the public during library opening hours. The former toilets in Dall Lane have been sold.

### **Date of Next Meeting.**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm in the Community Campus.

There being no further business Jill thanked the attendees and closed the meeting at 9.10pm.