

Buckie Area Forum

Minutes of Meeting

Held in Buckie Town Hall

On Wednesday, 26th June, 2013 after conclusion of AGM

Welcome: Mr Taylor, Chairman, welcomed all to the June meeting.

Present: Barry Taylor, Chairman, Alan Beresford, Vice-Chairman, Zafar Ali, Treasurer, Ian Moir, T. Ian MacPherson, Jo Farquhar, Sonya Warren.

In Attendance: Cllr Gordon McDonald, Dawn Brodie, Moray Council, Ian Todd, Moray Council.

Apologies: Cllr Joe Mackay, Tam McLellan, Alistair Farquhar, Gillian Rose and Emma Marandola.

1. Minutes: The minutes of the 8th May were approved. Proposed by Alan Beresford and seconded by Sonya Warren.

2. Matters Arising

Cluny Square: Mr Taylor said that there was a need to move the situation forward. The building at no. 11 needs repair. He added that Struan in the NW corner of Cluny Square was also a possibility but funding would be needed. It was agreed that a group through the Regen Group be set up. A letter is awaited from Community Asset Transfer at Moray Council. Mr Todd said that the Community Asset Transfer group meets once a month.

3. Moray Forum Update

Mr Beresford reported that each area forum is responsible for its own insurance liabilities. He also commented on the TSI Board and the Single Outcome agreement. He said that the next Passenger Forum meeting is in September and it is now focussed on a wider audience. Area forums were asked to contribute up to £50. This was approved.

With regard to Public Liability Insurance it was agreed that the Chairman investigate the matter and then go ahead with obtaining the insurance cover.

4. Fishwives Walk 9th July 2013

Cllr McDonald said that the main purpose of the event was to gain publicity for Buckie. Mrs Warren went on to list the details of the event. She also listed those who had helped and were helping and those that were participating. The Regen Group has been given £10k from the Tesco money. Some of it has been used for the event.

5. Youth Matters

It was agreed the secretary write to the Headteacher of the High School regarding new youth members of the Area Forum.

6. Community Issues

- a. Container in Linzee Gordon Park. Emma Marandola submitted a question regarding the container. There was no clear answer to this query.
- b. House Letting Plans. A letter has been received from Jill Stewart inviting members to review current local letting plans for new social housing.
- c. Buckie Festival. It has now reached its 10th anniversary. Mrs Farquhar said that the Festival had organised two events to be held on 31st August and 4th September. She added that funding is becoming more difficult.
- d. Access to new Police Station. Mr Moir asked if it would be possible to create an access from the police station to Newlands Lane. Cllr McDonald said that the Newlands Lane car park belonged to the Moray Council and they would require to be consulted. It was agreed the Cllr McDonald would liaise with Moray Council regarding this matter.
- e. Land Girls Memorial. Mr Moir asked why there were no signs located at Portgordon Crossroads or at the A96 end of the Enzie Braes Road. It was pointed out that signs were at Clochan Crossroads.

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Area Forum will be on Wednesday 28th August at 7pm.

Acting Minute Secretary: Ian Moir

Chairman _____
Date _____

Secretary _____
Date _____