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THE LAICH FORUM

19th JANUARY 2009

Present: Chris Tuke (Chaired meeting), Tom Bothwell, Councillor David Stewart, Councillor Eric McGillivray, Mollie Fraser, Tracey Hamilton, Steve MacDonald, David Townsend, Charles French

In Attendance: Michelle Gillibrand, Alison Hannan, Fiona Rolt and Tracey Rae

Apologies: Jennifer Walker, Tom Bothwell, Sarah Riley-Evans, Cath Millar, Peter Fidgett, Councillor Allan Wright, Leigh-Anne Hepburn, Janet Trythall, Craig McKay,

1. **Welcome and Apologies**

Due to ill health, Jennifer was unable to attend the meeting. Chris Tuke kindly agreed to chair this meeting. The above apologies were noted.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting – 1st December 2008**

The above Minute was accepted as a true record of proceedings. Proposed by Mollie Fraser and seconded by Councillor David Stewart

3. **Matters Arising**

Bus Service to Dyce Airport: Councillor Stewart confirmed having discussed this further with Peter Findlay, Public Transport Manager but, unfortunately, the situation remains unchanged. Mollie asked that the support of The Moray Forum and the Joint Community Councils of Moray be enlisted and pressure continue to be put on Stagecoach.

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Support Worker Cover: Michelle advised the meeting that informal interviews are being held on 20th January with formal interviews the following week. An invitation was extended to members to attend at New Elgin Annexe at 7pm on 20th January to meet potential candidates.

4. **Updating Local Action Plan**

Michelle stressed that The Moray Council are not in a position to fund projects, initiatives etc but the Forum, along with their Support Worker, will be in a position to provide expertise and knowledge. With the

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necessary support behind the Forum, they should be in a position to attract funding or to help other groups attract funding.

A draft of Elgin South Area Forum was tabled as a suggested format to produce a Laich Area Forum. It became clear upon discussion that the current Laich Plan is in an unworkable fashion. Michelle offered to update the existing plan and put it into a workable format for the Forum to take forward.

Michelle will email the completed template to Tracey which will be forwarded to all members for comments.

7. Date and Time of next meeting

The next meeting of The Laich Forum will be held on **Monday 2nd March, 7pm The Seaview Suite, Lossiemouth Town Hall.**

The Laich Forum AGM will take place on Monday 20th April, 7pm in the Seaview Suite, Lossiemouth Town Hall.