

Minutes of the Elgin South Area Forum Meeting held on

Tuesday 15th September 2015 at 7.00pm in the NEON Building

ATTENDANCE:

Present:	In Attendance:	Apologies:
Aileen Marshall (Chair) Christine Clerk (Treasurer) (Minutes) Marilyn Kelly Linda McKenzie	Cllr John Divers	Cllr James Allan James Wiseman Steven Christie Kathy Grant, Community Warden Alastair Kennedy (ECC) Cllr Graham Leadbitter

MINUTES:

ITEM	RECORD	ACTION
1	Welcome Aileen Marshall took the chair	
2	Apologies Apologies were noted as above.	
3	Minutes From Previous meeting – Tuesday 18th August 2015 The minutes were accepted with the addition of Aileen Marshall in attendance at the Elgin South Long Masterplan meeting on 14 th August at the AGBC, Elgin. No action required by Aileen Marshall in connection with the Community Empowerment Bill. Proposed Marilyn Kelly Seconded Linda Mackenzie	
	Matters arising <u>Item 4a Police Scotland</u> The meeting was informed that Gavin Farquhar is now the new contact for the ESAF at Police Scotland. <u>Item 5.c Play park at Greenwards</u> The seesaw has now been removed. The meeting asked that an enquiry be made to find out when it will be reinstated Action Cllr Leadbitter <u>Item 5.h Health and Wellbeing</u> The ESAF will write to Malcolm Wright the new CEO of NHS Grampian to invite him to a future ESAF meeting. A letter is still to be written to <i>Affa Sair</i> to invite them to a Forum meeting to explain about their activities. Action AM <u>Stakeholder Event Integration of Health and Social Care</u> There will be a meeting held in Elgin Town Hall on Thursday 24 th September concerning the integration of Health and Social care. <u>Item 5e Any Other Community Issues</u> <u>Bus shelter on Glen Lossie Drive</u> The bus shelter is owned by Springfield Properties as part of the Glassgreen Project. It was to be used by an additional bus service to the Glassgreen Estate. Chris Hall, The Moray Council Transport Manger has still to respond. Action Cllr John Divers will monitor the situation	
4	COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP REPORTS	
4a	Spice Focus Group Five people turned up to the focus group in order to discuss the Constitution. There will be another litter pick in October. Glen Moray Distiller have now taken responsibility for	

	the flower arrangements at the Eight Acres	
	Community Warden No report	
5	COMMUNITY ISSUES	
5.a	<p>Elgin High School The Parent Teacher Association has sent a letter to John Swinney , MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Employment and Sustainable Growth in the Scottish Government expressing their concern at the delay in start of the new Elgin High School. The Elgin Community Council has also sent a letter to John Swinney MSP about the delay . ESAF will also send a letter to urge the Scottish Government to find a solution to the financial situation and progress the start of the building of the new EHS. The meeting was informed that tow other councils have been allowed to proceed with their schools despite the present funding situation.</p> <p>Action Prepare a letter from the ESAF urging the Scottish Government to find a solution quickly and find a way to allow the building of the new Elgin High School to start . The letter to be sent to the Regional list of MP's and also MSP's. Jackie Baillie,MSP, Shadow Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Constitution and Economy and Opportunities Spokesperson could also be contacted.</p> <p>The meeting was informed that there may be some news about the EHS by the end of October. The new access road being built beside the school will also allow access to the new housing development of around 250 houses near Elgin High School</p>	ACTION AM
5.b	<p>Western Link Road (WLR) There will be a meeting to discuss the new design on 6th October 2015 at the Moray College, Elgin. James Wiseman and Rebecca Kail will attend. The meeting discussed the letter received from Alan Gray, Director of Finance, NHS Grampian in response to the letter sent from Richard Lochhead MSP</p>	
5.c	<p>tsiMoray Training The new list of Training courses can be obtained from the tsiMoray website .</p>	
5.d	<p>Refugees There will be a meeting in the supper room of the Elgin Town Hall on Monday 21st September from 6.30 to 8.00pm. The ESAF supports the Moray council's approach to deal with the refugee crisis. A discussion arose concerning the needs of the Syrian Refugees when they arrive in Moray</p>	
5.e	<p>Moray Community Awards The attention of the Forum was drawn to the need for nominations . The award ceremony will take place on Friday 20th November</p>	
5.f	<p>Fire Service Board Meeting Representatives from the ESAF have been invited to meet the Fire Service Board on Wednesday 23rd September at the Moray College from 4.00 to 6.00pm. Action AM and CC to attend</p>	
5.g	<p>Health and Wellbeing No update. There will be changes in Social Care in November as part of the Integration of Health and Social Care.</p>	
5.h	<p>Any Other Community Issues <u>Network Rail A21</u> The Forum was informed that the Network Rail Project Team will be available to answer questions on Tuesday 13th October in Elgin. News is also available on Twitter</p>	

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6	ELGIN SOUTH AREA FORUM	
6.a	<p>Support Worker The new Community Support Worker for Elgin and Milne's area is Sarah Crowe , who is based in the Community Support Unit in The Moray Council Offices in Elgin.</p> <p>Action The ESAF will invite Sarah Milne to a future meeting .</p>	
6.b	<p>Treasurer's Report The balance is £8,272.25. The Grant of £1284.00 from The Moray council was received on 31st July. The meeting was informed that the end of the financial Year for the Forum will be on Wednesday 30th September. The books will then be prepared for audit. A discussion arose on whom to choose as auditor .</p> <p>Action Aileen Marshall to approach last year's auditor to see if she would be available.</p>	
6.c	<p>Moray Forum No report</p>	
6.d	<p>tsiMoray AGM The AGM will be held on Monday 28th September at the Inkwell, Elgin Youth Café from 6.30 to 7.30. New Board members are being sought.</p>	
6.e	<p>Next Meeting James Wiseman to Chair. Christine Clerk to be minute-taker. A discussion arose as to the venue for the next meeting as NEON would be closed for the tattie holidays. Arrangements were made to collect the key.</p> <p>Action AM</p>	
7	<p>AOCB <u>Waste bins at Greenwards Primary</u> The meeting was informed that the all the Waste bins at Greenwards Primary School are not being fully emptied. Only one bin is being emptied</p> <p>Action. Cllr Divers to investigate.</p> <p><u>Ramblers Association</u> A question of access to a path at Mossend, Mayne, through to the Cloddach Quarry, Elgin was asked . The Moray council Enforcement Officer , Stuart Dale could be contacted to clarify the situation. Ian Douglas the Officer concerned with Core Paths could also be contacted.</p>	
8	<p>Date of Next Meeting Date of next meeting is 15th September 2015 at NEON</p>	

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