



**MINUTE OF FORRES AREA FORUM MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY 2011**

PRESENT

Lianne Milligan (LM)	Issie? (I)
Irene Ogilvie (IO) – Elected Member	Angela Sutherland (AS) – Tenants Forum
Fabio Villani (FV) – vice chair	Lorna Creswell (LC) – elected member
Sandra Maclennan (SM) – Forres in Bloom	Naomi Zair (NZ)– Ball group
Jennifer Collins (JC) – secretary	Carin Schwartz (CS) – Chair
John Bremner (JB) – treasurer	Andrew Anderson (AA) – HIE
Neil Ross (NR)– HIE	Anne Skene (AS) – Dyke CC

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Welcome from Chair	Carin welcomed everyone to the meeting	
Apologies	Lee Bell, Jeff Hamilton, Brian McDonald	
Minute of meeting held in April	Amendments noted. Minute approved by John Bremner, seconded by Sandra Maclennan.	JC to update minute and email out.
Matters Arising	Asset Transfer seminar – no funding for a follow up meeting. Scottish Government are providing funding to facilitate continuation of Asset Transfer seminars. Music Venture – meeting organised for 31 st May. Film Forres Fun Run raised £235.00. Film Forres has been awarded £5,000 from ‘Cash for Kids’.	
Treasurers report	Balance is £1399.89	
Guest speaker	Mark Cross from Moray Council did not attend. Lorna gave a brief outline of Local Plan she had received from Mark Cross. Lorna to forward to secretary for inclusion	LC to forward info from Mark Cross to JC. JC to locate link on Moray Council website for Local Plan.

	in minute. General discussion highlighted a high level of confusion in relation to the local plan and the economic plan.	CS to discuss further with David Duncan. JC to send letter to David Duncan and Jim Royan re need for consultation with members of the public in relation to Economic Plan.
Redco Milne update	No further information. Decision to be made once all information re economic strategy is known.	
Rising to the Challenge	<p>Fabio introduced the draft report.</p> <p>Discussion points:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should participants names be included – no, due to data protection. • Should facilitators briefing be included – yes. • Should a steering group be established and if so does FAF support the steering group. – yes. • Does FAF support with admin and volunteer expenses – yes up to £200 between now and 1st June. <p>Clarification required in relation to involvement and support from HIE. AA advised that HIE will consider any request for support and advice. AA also advised that HIE could possibly assist with finance for any ongoing consultation.</p>	<p>FV to distribute completed report.</p> <p>FV to prepare press statement.</p> <p>FV to take forward and feed back to FAF.</p>
Moray Towns Partnership.	<p>Carin gave an update on how the £10,000 awarded last year was spent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flags and banners – now received and being used. • Entry signs into Forres – 4 have been ordered. • Forres maps – more on order. • Town maps for 3 car parks. <p>Working group will feed back at next meeting about final costings and what money is available for this year.</p>	
Community Engagement Group	Meeting planned for 19 th May. Carin advised that the format of the group is slightly different than for previous meetings. There will be meetings once a month and there is the intention of 2 'pan partnership' meetings each year.	
Round the	Forres in Bloom have a coffee morning on	

Table	<p>14th May, 10.00 – 12.00 at the Town Hall. Naomi gave brief feedback on meeting held in relation to the commissioning of health care for older people.</p> <p>Forres Credit Union - positive board meeting recently and new volunteers.</p> <p>Cumming Hall at Kinloss is complete.</p> <p>Kinloss has a group of detached youth workers.</p> <p>Farmers Market on 15th May in Anderson's school playground.</p> <p>Salsa Celtica are appearing at the Universal Hall on 18th May.</p> <p>TTF meeting - 25th May in Community Centre.</p> <p>Tenants Forum meeting on 13th May in Community Centre.</p> <p>Film Forres are showing 'Whisky Galore' on 19th May in Community Centre.</p> <p>Freedom of Forres parade takes place on 24th May at 11.00am.</p> <p>Film Forres are holding a disco in Town Hall on 24th May for S1 and S2 pupils.</p> <p>Action for Children are involved in a farming initiative at Findhorn on 17th June.</p> <p>Ball Group will be visiting Findhorn Foundation.</p> <p>Issy advised of a change management process being undertaken in the Community Support Unit. Issy can only attend FAF meetings if invited.</p> <p>NR advised he is happy to continue supporting Fabio and the 'Rising to the Challenge' initiative.</p> <p>Community Garden has a BBQ on 14th May at 3.00pm.</p> <p>Ullapool allotment group are being supported by members of the Community Garden.</p> <p>CS attended the Youth Council Meeting at Forres Academy and described the meeting as very positive.</p> <p>Bar supper to be arranged as a farewell to Heather Shaw and Fiona Limbrey.</p>	
Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 1 st June, 7.00 – 9.00pm, Forres Community Centre.	