

FORRES AREA FORUM



MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2009

PRESENT

Lorna Creswell	Credit Union/RAF Kinloss
Fabio Villani	Transition Towns
Iain MacDonald	Moray Council – Guest Speaker
Kevin Skivington	Grampian Police
Carin Schwartz	Chair person
Jennifer Collins	Secretary
Heather Shaw	Moray Council
Irene Ogilvie	Moray Councillor – Elected Member
Naomi Zair	Forres BALL Group
Angela Sutherland	Tenant’s Forum
John Bremner	Community Council

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Welcome from Chair	Carin welcomed everyone to the meeting	
Apologies	Fiona Limbrey, Cllr Hamilton, Cllr Bell, Cllr Young, Sandra Maclennan.	
Minute of meeting held in October	Approved – Naomi Zair Seconded – John Bremner	
Matters Arising	Farmers Market – two committee’s now formed and taking forward.	
Treasurer’s report	Account stands at £1790.78	
Update from Elected Member	Cllr Ogilvie gave an update in relation to Forres hydrotherapy pool in that it is, at last, going ahead with financial support from Moray Council over the next three years.	
Guest Speaker	Iain MacDonald is the Local Integration Support Officer covering the Forres ASG. He gave an informative update on the development from local Community Networks to Local Management teams. Iain gave an outline of his role and the initiatives he is involved with locally, providing services for young people in the Forres ASG. Iain spoke excitedly about a student forum event taking place on 23 rd April 2010 that will involve pupil council members working	

	towards an evaluation of what they would like to see in their community.	
Moray Small Towns Partnership	Heather gave an update on a recent meeting that covered the progress of the Disability Feasibility Study and Information Boards for Forres. Further meetings are planned to discuss further	Heather to feed back to area Forum.
Budget Information Meeting	Consultation meetings have been arranged throughout Moray, the one for Forres is Tuesday 17 th November at 7.00pm. It was agreed that the Forum will be represented at the consultation meeting and that the outcome of the meeting and further discussions will take place at the next Forum meeting on 9 th December.	
Community Engagement Group	It was felt that the recent meeting was not a good example of community engagement but there is an intent to make it work	
Hospital	Planning permission to be submitted by 3 rd November. Awaiting feedback	
Redco Milne	Moray Council have appointed independent assessor. To be discussed further at Forum meeting in January.	
Round the Table	<p>Forres in Bloom AGM – 18-12-2009, 7.00pm at McKenzie and Cruickshank’s Garden Centre.</p> <p>Dyke Garden Club – meeting on 13-11-2009, 7.30 pm</p> <p>Make a Difference Day – organised by Margaret Cowie, Community Warden, Sunday 22nd November, Grant Park, 2.00pm</p> <p>Tennant’s Forum – monthly meeting on 13-11-2009, 10.00-12.00.</p> <p>Lifestyle Fair – 15-11-2009, RAF Kinloss</p> <p>Lorna requesting how to access ‘Cash for Kids’, Kevin Skivington to contact her with details.</p> <p>Community Council meeting – 19-11-2009.</p> <p>Kevin Skivington outlined a project involving young people and older residents in Forres.</p> <p>Farmers Market – 28-11-2009, Bogton Road Community Garden 10.00-2.00pm.</p> <p>TTF AGM, 23-11-2009, Ramnee hotel, Forres, 7.00pm</p> <p>Forres Christmas Lights to be turned on 5-12-2009</p>	
Next meeting	9-12-2009, Forres Community Centre, 7.00pm	