

Milne's Neighbourhood Forum



Minute of meeting held Thursday 04 November 2010 at Lhanbryde Community Centre

- Present Peter Bush Gill Stewart Paul Ralph - Chair Jackie Owsnett Anita Milne Sylvia Reid
- Apologies Cllr Douglas Ross Cllr George McIntyre Cllr Anita McDonald Kay Griffin Jennifer Shaw Vicki Holmes David MacKay

In attendance Fiona Rolt, Community Support Officer, Moray Council

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1	Welcome and apologies	
	Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received as above.	
2	Minutes of Previous Meeting	
	The minutes of the meeting held on the 6 October 2010 were read and agreed. Proposed: Anita. Seconded: Gill.	
4	Matters Arising	
	4.1 Litter Group: Fiona still to progress.	Fiona
	4.2 Garmouth Flooding Petition: David MacKay was not present so nothing further to report from Garmouth. Mention was made of a letter in the Northern Scot which detailed the history and the effects on the River Spey of salmon fishing and bank work and it's relationship to flooding.	
5	Forum Sub-Groups Reports:	
	5.1 Fochabers Allotment Association: Nothing further to report.	
	5.2 Lhanbryde Allotment Steering Group: Nothing further to report.	
	5.3 B In The Park: Michelle to complete final report by December.	Michelle
	5.4 Youth Involvement Group: Fiona distributed the VOiCE report which details the purpose of the Youth Involvement Group. The project is investigating various ways of engaging and consulting young people, using different methods including technology and modern media. There is a 'Facebook' page on the internet. Paul will email committee members	Paul

	with more details. The report was noted.		
	5.5 Youth Group: Fiona distributed the first draft of a VOiCE report on this project which is to investigate how youth provision could be developed in Fochabers. David Millar has passed on the timetable for the MIB which is in the area in November. David to be asked to provide information about numbers and age ranges of those attending. The report and MIB programme was noted.	Fiona	
6	Moray Council Budget Consultation 2010:		
	6.1 Report back on Milne's Budget Consultation meeting held on 28 November in Speymouth Hall, Mosstodloch.		
	Paul reported he felt the evening was constructive, useful and informative. Other members appreciated talking to senior officers and Moray Council members. Particular issues were dealt with in depth in small groups which were facilitated by the CSU staff, which was much appreciated. It was agreed that the initial presentation was well done.		
	6.2 MNF Response to the consultation. Questions were asked if other people's opinions could be viewed on the website? Individual responses should be made by filling in the online questionnaire. This has to be in by 3 December.		
	After discussion it was agreed that the Forum's response be remitted to the next OBs meeting on Tuesday 23 November at 4.30pm at LCC. Following on from this discussion Anita commented on the letter by Rosella Smith, Convener of the Moray Federation of Community Halls and Associations, asking Moray Council to reconsider the proposed reduction or removal of maintenance grants to village halls. It was agreed that MNF would send a letter to MC in support of this request.	Sylvia	
7	Community Issues.		
	• Anita commented that she was grateful for the good partnership of the Volunteer Centre, Lhanbryde Community Challenge, CFine, and the CSU in making the 'Fit Life' day on Sunday 31 October such a success. She said it showed how voluntary organisations and groups can work together with support from Moray Council.		
	Fiona reported on two positive results of the day when two people volunteered their services on helping with a proposed lunch club.		
	 Milne's Community Web. Anita mentioned that LCC may have funding available for a 'community portal' in the Milne's area, such as training, designing a calendar, etc. 		
8	Any Other Business:		
	Treasurer's Report. Anita reported no change, still solvent. Cheque signatories were agreed as Peter Bush, Anita Milne, Paul Ralph, Sylvia Reid.		
9	Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 02 December 2010 at 7.00pm in Inchberry Village Hall.		
10	There being no further business the meeting closed at 8 05pm.		