

## Milne's Area Forum



## Minute of meeting held Tuesday 08 September 2015 in Garmouth Golf Club

Present Paul Ralph, Urguhart, Chairperson

Mike Reid, Fochabers, Vice Chair

Liz Bodman, Teindland

Fiona Rolt, Lhanbryde, Minute Secretary

David Mackay, Garmouth Gill Stewart, Lhanbryde John Fettes, Garmouth

Apologies Anita Milne, Urquhart, Treasurer

Jim Mackie, Garmouth Fiona Mackie, Garmouth Sandy Anderson, Teindland Anne Speake, Kingston

Ian Todd, Community Support Manager, Moray Council

In Attendance Sarah Crowe, Community Support Officer, Moray Council

Item			Action	
1	Welcome and introductions			
		welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologised for the delay in g into the building and the late start.		
2	Apologies			
	These were noted as above.			
3	Minute of the previous meeting			
	These	e were approved. Proposed David, seconded Gill.		
4	Matters Arising			
	4.1	Item 4.1 – Food Allergens. Fiona has not yet circulated this – not sure if she has received it but will check.	Fiona	
	4.2	Item 4.4 Rural Broadband. Paul has had no response from MSP or MP and will chase up. David's information is that all areas within 5 miles of the A96 corridor will be able to get superfast broadband. Paul said that he was aware that BT in this area was due for an upgrade soon. Liz stated that BT will not say what postcodes won't get upgraded so it seems that nothing is going to change for a while!		
		Paul will write again to MP and MSP and will also contact Highland Council to find out more about the Digital Broadband Partnership. It was thought that it may be worthwhile contacting both the NFU and the Agricultural Department as most of the Rural Payments information has to be submitted online.	Paul	
	4.3	Item 9, 2 <sup>nd</sup> bullet point – Supported Housing project, Lhanbryde. The open session was put back to allow more time to notify the public about the event. On the whole those who attended were re-assured		

	and also impressed with the design and lay-out of the complex. Positive comments had been made by those nearby residents.		
5	Treasurer's Report		
	The report had been circulated. No comments were made and the report was noted.		
6	Moray Forum Transport Steering Group - update		
	Fiona reported that she, Anita and Cllr Murdoch had been working on a Draft Business/ Project plan for a funding application to the Integration Fund. The proposal was to employ a Project Worker to take forward the development of an integrated transport network which would serve the needs of the travelling public in Moray. The proposal will have to go to both the Moray Forum and the Transport Working Group for comment and approval.		
7	MAF Paths Working Group - update		
	Mike explained that he had drafted a letter to the Engineers asking if they would be interested in helping with the path and repairs to the bridge over the Lossie. David passed on some historical information about the origins of bridge – it appears that the current bridge is the 3 <sup>rd</sup> bridge as previous bridges got washed away! The ownership is still under discussion although it looks as if it may be the Council – there is just one small bit of the jigsaw to find to make the case watertight. Lossie Development Trust has been set up and they would be interested in taking on ownership of the bridge.		
8	Area Action Plan – priorities for the Milne's Area Forum, linking with Moray 2023 – A Plan for the Future		
	Fiona circulated notes from the sub-group meeting. The Group will meet again to finalise arrangements.		
9	Around the table – issues/ concerns in your area No issues raised.		
10	A.O.C.B.		
	The Open Forum meeting was due to be held on 22 October but as yet a response has not been received from Stephen Cooper. Also the Institute is not available on that night. Alternative venues suggested as Milne's High School and Bellie Church Hall and the date to be put back to end October, beginning of November.	Fiona	
11	Date, time and place of next meeting		
	AGM – Tuesday, 27 October 2015 at 7.00pm in Lhanbryde Community Centre.		
	NB This was subsequently put back to Tuesday, 10 November 2015.		