



Milne's Area Forum



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Forum*

Minute of meeting held Tuesday 24 May 2016 in Urquhart Parish Hall

Present

Paul Ralph, Urquhart, Chairperson
 Mike Reid, Fochabers, Vice Chair
 Anita Milne, Urquhart, Treasurer
 Fiona Rolt, Lhanbryde, Minute Secretary
 Liz Bodman, Teindland
 Gill Stewart, Lhanbryde
 Anne Speake, Kingston
 David Mackay, Garmouth
 John Fettes, Garmouth
 James Mackie, Garmouth

Apologies

Sandy Anderson, Teindland
 Lansana Bangura, Garmouth

In Attendance

Sarah Crowe, Community Support Officer, Moray Council

Item	Action
1 Welcome Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.	
2 Apologies These were noted as above.	
3 Minute of the previous meeting These were approved. Proposed Anne, seconded Anita.	
4 Matters Arising <p>4.1 Item 5.2 Development of the Tennant Arms. It was reported that the public hearing is due to be held on 15/ 16 June. Those who had submitted observations have been invited to attend. Paul may not be available. If so he will submit a letter to be considered at the hearing or Jim will stand in for Paul to represent MAF. It is a public meeting so anyone may attend but may not speak.</p> <p>4.2 Item 5.3 Garmouth Shop. David reported that a public meeting was held but was very poorly attended, so it was decided that there was no point in trying to keep the shop going. Surplus stock was donated to Moray Foodbank. Garmouth and Kingston Amenities tried very hard to keep it going and it was thanks to the volunteers that it managed to stay open for so long.</p> <p>4.3 Item 9.3 Review of Rural Groupings. Paul reported that he received no feedback so took no action.</p> <p>4.4 Item 10.1 English proposals to develop integrated call centres for "blue light services". Paul has yet to contact Gordon Morrison.</p>	Paul

5	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Anita reported that she is in the process of finalising the accounts for last year and setting up this year's books. The bank balance as of 06 February was £6280.74 and cheques have been signed for £150.00 for hall rentals. Anita apologised for not having producing a written statement but she will endeavour to send round the final accounts once completed.</p>	Anita
6	<p>Money for Moray</p> <p>Paul reported that he had submitted an application to Money for Moray to set up a Saturday Bus Club to run a service from Garmouth to Elgin via Urquhart and Lhanbryde. He was pleased to report that the application got through the first round and he is now preparing a presentation for Saturday's Participatory Budgeting event. The proposed service will be limited but should offer an early morning run for those who need to get to work, a shopping run in the late morning and an afternoon run to bring everyone back home! It is proposed to use Moray Council minibuses and to enlist the help of volunteer drivers.</p> <p>Anita passed on more information about the Participatory Budgeting event and as projects will "win through" on the basis of a public vote she urged people to get involved. Transport will be available for anyone who would experience difficulty in getting to the venue in Rothes.</p> <p>She went on to say that due to the high demand for funding from this pot it had been agreed to allocate the whole sum over two events – 28 May and 26 June – so unfortunately there will be no second round of applications.</p>	
7	<p>Moray 2026 – a plan for the future</p> <p>The above plan is now out for consultation. It is a Community Planning document produced by the Community Planning Partnership and should not be confused with any local plans produced by Moray Council.</p> <p>It was agreed that MAF should hold an Open Meeting and invite Mark Palmer to speak on both Moray 2026 and the financial position of the Moray Council.</p> <p>Paul will approach Mark to ask him if he is prepared to speak at the Open Meeting and if so arrange a date towards the end of August/ beginning of September.</p> <p>Mike will promote at Lennox CC, Jim at Innes CC, David at G&KAA, Anita at Lhanbryde CC and so on. All members to circulate as widely as possible.</p> <p>Venue – Inchberry Hall if available – Fiona to arrange.</p> <p>Transport could be laid on if necessary.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">8.00pm Sarah Crowe left the meeting.</p>	Paul All members Fiona
8	<p>Moray Forum Transport Steering Group</p> <p>Anita reported that the Public Transport Unit is very happy with the Garmouth and Kingston service. She went on to say that managers of the PTU are very grateful to MAF for their work in publicising and supporting this service.</p> <p>She also reported that the PTU are investigating the possibility of providing an on demand service to enable people to get to the surgery in Fochabers for appointments.</p> <p>The next Moray Transport Seminar will be held on Saturday 10 September 2016. They are hoping to have a representative from Transport Scotland to speak at the seminar. (TS wish to develop a Transport Travel Plan). There will also be speakers from Stagecoach, the PTU and hopefully from Abellio.</p> <p>Anita reported that she is very positive about this group and the way it is moving forward.</p>	
9	<p>MAF Paths Working Group - update</p> <p>The Group has not met recently. Anita and Jim met with Jim Grant, Economic Development and Ian Douglas, Moray Access Officer to ascertain the position</p>	

	<p>with regard to developing the Coastal Path from Garmouth/ Kingston to Lossiemouth.</p> <p>Following on from a training course attended by Jim it had been suggested that Paths for All deliver a similar training course in this area. To do this they would require a venue and refreshments. It was agreed that MAF would host the training and would cover the cost of a suitable venue and refreshments. 8 – 20 people can attend the course and it will be opened to all appropriate groups in Moray.</p>	
10	<p>Around the table – issues/concerns in your area</p> <p>10.1 John reported that there had been no change with regard to the development in Garmouth.</p> <p>10.2 David reported that Garmouth and Kingston Heritage Trust was now in existence and had a website that was almost up and running! He handed out Moray’s Heritage Connections leaflet which shows that G&KHT is on the map! The group have submitted a substantial funding application and hope to hear in September if they have been successful.</p> <p>10.3 Gill urged everyone to turn up for the public hearing on the Tennant Arms and to encourage others to attend.</p>	
11	<p>A.O.C.B.</p> <p>11.1 Anne informed the meeting that Enable are launching an Emergency Planning Toolkit for Carers on 30 May in Lhanbryde Community Centre, 10.00am – 12.30pm. She explained that the session is aimed at professionals but will also involve carers.</p>	
12	<p>Date, time and place of next meeting</p> <p>12.1 Future meeting dates.</p> <p>Fiona explained the difficulty of arranging dates at 6 weekly intervals as inevitably they clashed with Innes CC meetings or G&KAA meetings with the result the proposed dates were not at regular intervals. The suggested dates were approved and it was agreed that 23 August would be the Open Meeting on Moray 2026, assuming Mark Palmer was available.</p> <p>So, the next meeting of MAF will be on 05 July 2016, Inchberry if available. NB Due to a number of members being unavailable on this date it was changed to 09 August 2016 in Urquhart Parish Hall</p>	

Future meeting dates:-

25 August 2016 – Open Meeting, Urquhart Parish Hall

11 October 2016

22 November 2016 - AGM

17 January 2017

14 March 2017

09 May 2017