ROYAL BURGH OF MONTROSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING

held on 17th November 2022 at The Playhouse, The Mall, Montrose, DD10 8NN

1. Present:

Pip Hills (Chairman), Maggie Braid, David Paton (Vic-Chair), Ross Thomson (Vice-Chair), Charlotte May (Secretary), William Nicoll, Kirsten Tomlinson, Joan Murray, John Tomlinson, David Wood, Sandra Livingston (Angus Council). Councillors Bill Duff, Iain Gall, and Tommy Stewart (Angus Council)

2. Apologies:

Roy Gill (Treasurer) Councillor Kenny Braes (Angus Council)

3. Minutes of last meeting for approval

Minutes from inaugural meeting held on 20th October, 2022 were approved

4. Police Report

Police report was sent via email. MCC were asked to raise awareness about reporting any drug related issues etc., within the community.

5. Councillors Report

Coastal Erosion – A detailed report was provided by Councillor Bill Duff on the issue of coastal erosion including an explanation of the Dynamic Coast – Coastal Erosion in Scotland' report. He explained the impact on Montrose and the funding and actions being taken currently by Montrose Council. Phase 1 - Currently there is £600K earmarked for the provision of a temporary fix, but actioning this had been delayed due to lack of resources, though actions are now being put in place to progress this.

6. Matters Arising from previous meetings
No matters were arising from previous meeting

7. Agenda Items:

1. Future Projects: Coastal Erosion

It was agreed by MCC that our role is to keep the community advised of actions being taken. It was agreed that David Wood will form a sub-group to be responsible for keep the Montrose community updated and to explain things in as simple a manner as possible

Future Projects: Air Pollution

It was agreed that Pip Hills would provide a report to MCC on how air pollution is being monitored in Montrose Harbour to identify the high levels of pollution in the area, particularly that close to the local primary school.

2. MCC Equipment

The various items of MCC legacy equipment were identified and it was agreed to dispose of the older laptop and various other equipment, and to try to sell the printer where possible.

3. Winter without Worry www.com

Kirsten Tomlinson provided the meeting with an update on the arrangements being made to set up the allocated area at the Playhouse as a community collection centre and she will liaise with Carolyn at the Playhouse. Various MCC members agreed to ensure area was kept organised. All social media notifications are being arranged by Kirsten and David Paton.

8. Correspondence

Various correspondence that has been received by the MCC has been forwarded to all members for information

9. Questions from the floor

As no members of the public attended this meeting there were no questions from the floor

10. Planning report

David Paton advised the meeting of planning applications – the only relevant one being an application to update the existing mobile phone mast

11. Treasurer's report

Charlotte May advised the meeting that she was in the process of setting up new signatories for the MCC bank account to include the new Treasurer, Roy Gill. Also working on setting up online banking for future access

12. AOCB

- Maggie Braid reported to the meeting that the new MCC constitution is currently being prepared and additional points will be included – online banking and MCC additional planning meetings
- Councillor Bill Duff advised the meeting of the proposed upgrades to the barriers on the Links, which are in place to prevent unauthorised encampment. These have been damaged and are being upgraded at a cost of approximately £10K.
- A meeting with SeaGreen representative and representatives from Angus Council is being held on 29th November at 6pm at Lochside Primary School. Those attending will report back at the next MCC meeting.

13. Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting is the MCC Meet & Greet scheduled for Thursday 15th December It was agreed the dates of the 2023 meetings will be:

- 19 January
- 16 March
- 18 May
- 20 July
- 21 September
- 19 October (AGM)
- 16 November

MCC will hold planning meetings in the between months and sub-groups will also meet as required