

Minutes of a Meeting of the City of Brechin and District Community Council held on Tuesday 2nd May 2023 at Glebe Park Brechin.

David Dewar took the chair and welcomed the company

Present

David Dewar, Douglas Murray, Anita Pearce, Telmo Teixeira and Eric Gray.

David Taylor (Brechin City Community Football Trust)

1 Member of the Public.

Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Councillors Nicol, Beattie and Scott (Angus Council) Sandra Livingston (Angus Council Communities Worker) and Police Scotland.

Minutes of Last Meeting.

It was proposed by Anita Pearce, seconded by Douglas Murray that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th April 2023 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising.

Coucillor Beattie had been in contact to say that if volunteers could be found to move the debris at East Pitforthie to the roadside the Council would collect it.

The Gardener Memorial Coronation Big Lunch is well advanced in the planning stage, but there are concerns over the weather forecast for the weekend.

Presentation.

David Taylor gave a presentation on the work of Brechin City Community Football Trust and answered questions from the Members. At the end of the presentation the Chair expressed the C C's thanks.

Treasurers Report.

The treasure reported that an operational grant of £680.00 had been received from Angus Council which added to the £602.98 already in the account gave a balance of £1282.98. The audited accounts need to be presented to Angus Council by 30th June 2023.

Planning Report.

There is little to report with none of the planning application affecting Brechin requiring comment.

Anita had attended planning training organised by the Scottish Planning traing System which she had found useful.

Police Update.

There were no officers present but a report had been sent, the crime in the Brechin Area are:-

Group 1 - Crimes of violence, including murder, rape, extortion, serious assault, robbery – 1

Group 2 - Sexual Crimes – 2

Group 3 - Crimes of Dishonesty - 8

Group 4 – Fire Raising, Vandalism, Malicious Mischief, Reckless Conduct – 4

Group 5 – Other Crimes including Breach of Bail, Weapons, Drugs offences – 7

Group 6 – Miscellaneous Crimes including Assaults, Police Assaults, Threatening behaviour, Stalking, - 16

Group 7 – Road Traffic Offences – 25

Group 8 – Suspicious incidents – 0

Emerging issues:

Drug related issues:

There are continuing concerns regarding drug related activity within the Montrose and Brechin areas.

Any information received will assist the Police in carrying out proactive action in relation to this.

The Police are also concerned about Scams, Rural Crime and Speeding.

Councillors Update.

There were no councillors present so only update is Councillor Beattie is having difficulty in arranging a visit to the former fire station but will keep trying.

AOCB.

Residents at the Newington Gardens Retirement Complex on Montrose are having difficulty parking in their car park particularly disabled spaces as other people are parking there. They ask that the parking wardens be instructed to check vehicles parked in the disabled bays to ensure they have blue badges. They also ask that the lines defining the parking spaces be repainted and the residents only parking sign be replaced with a larger one in a more prominent position. There is some unused green land which could be used to provide additional parking. The CC will contact the roads and housing departments to see what can be done.

The Angus Resilience Forum had held another meeting at Wellbank Hall and was progressing a Page one warning system for flooding threats.

There is a major leak on the main gas pipeline which has resulted in the closure of the B966 meaning a lengthy diversion for traffic leaving the city Northbound.

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service are warning of the risk of wildfires, and report that the local crews have been further trained in the Thematic Rescue plan.

The CC intend to have a stall at the next Muckle Market and possibility the Brechin Pageant to highlight the work of the CC and hopefully recruit new members,

Questions From the Floor

There were no questions from the floor.

.Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th June in Glebe Park at 7.00pm.

There being no further business David thanked the attendees and closed the meeting at 8.56pm.