

Minutes of a Meeting of the City of Brechin and District Community Council held on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 at Glebe Park Brechin.

David Dewar took the chair and welcomed the company

Present

David Dewar, Douglas Murray, Ken Bruce, Robin Lee Garry Robertson and Eric Gray.

Councillors Beattie, Nicol and Scott(Angus Council),

Sandra Livingston (Communities Worker Angus Council)

Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Telmo Teixeira and Police Scotland.

Minutes of the Last Meeting.

It was proposed by Ken Bruce, seconded by Robin Lee that the minutes of the meeting held on 12th September 2023 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising.

Councillor Scott said she was in contact with residents regarding them being stakeholders in Masiondue Primary School Traffic Free pilot.

There had been no update into the complaints regarding 91 Dramachlie Loan. A request for further information will be sent to relevant department.

Treasures Report.

The Treasurer Reported that the Bank Balance stood at £1202.98 and the audited accounts had been sent to Angus Council.

Planning Report.

There had been no planning applications involving Brechin since the last meeting.

Police Update.

There were no Police Officers present but a report had been sent, In addition, there were a total of 61 crimes recorded within this time frame, which were specific to the Brechin area.

The following is a breakdown of crime category in relation to these crimes:

Group 1 - Crimes of violence, including murder, rape, extortion, serious assault, robbery – 2

Group 2 - Sexual Crimes – 2

Group 3 - Crimes of Dishonesty - 20

Group 4 – Fire Raising, Vandalism, Malicious Mischief, Reckless Conduct –11

Group 5 – Other Crimes including Breach of Bail, Weapons, Drugs offences – 9

Group 6 – Miscellaneous Crimes including Assaults, Police Assaults, Threatening behaviour, Stalking, - 25

Group 7 – Road Traffic Offences – 7

Group 8 – Suspicious incidents – 0

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.

Should anyone have information, it is requested they make contact with the Police either

There continues to be concerns reported regarding motorists not adhering to the speed limits within the

Local area, in particular 20mph speed zones.

Local Speed Initiatives will continue to be planned where possible and Road Policing Departments have

been notified of these continuing issues for extra attention.

Motorists will be warned regarding their use of speed and reported if necessary and further Initiatives will be planned in the future.

In addition, Speed deterrent measures will continue ('Pop up Jim and Jane' signage) to be used.

Councillors Update.

Funding has been awarded for a feasibility study into the future of the Townhouse Museum after Angus Alive pulls out.

There has been a consultation meeting on levelling up funding at the Caledonian Railway.

The proposed new recycling scheme was discussed at some length. This will involve increased food recycling collections along with a new bin being introduced for cardboard and paper. Glass recycling will not be available kerbside but will have to be taken to neighbourhood recycling points which will be increased from 23 to 190 Angus wide. Concerns were expressed about storage for up to four bins per household and bins being contaminated. There needs to be a campaign to educate the public about what can be recycled and in which bin.

The Flood Resilience Group are looking for funding to buy sandbags and other equipment. Councillor Beattie said he will invite Angus Council Officers to attend the next meeting.

Community Council Complaints Procedure.

It was agreed to accept the draft Angus Council Complaints Procedure

document as the model for BDCC. Several modifications were suggested and the Secretary will email them to Sandra Livingston for consideration.

Construction of the new footpaths in the Dramachlie Loan area is ongoing.

A sign has been erected at the playpark in Eadie Avenue asking people not to litter. There is no update as to the ownership of the playpark.

A register of Angus Council properties is available on the Council website.

Concerns were expressed about the recent closures of the library due to staff shortages.

A meeting of the Community Development Programme of Support will be held in the Reid Hall Forfar on Wednesday 25th October at 12 noon.

Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 at 7.00pm at Glebe Park Brechin.

There being no further business David thanked the attendees and closed the the meeting at 8.57pm.