

Minutes of a Meeting of the City of Brechin and District Community Council held on Tuesday 5th March 2024 at Hudson's Bar Brechin.

David Dewar took the chair and welcomed the company

Present

David Dewar, Douglas Murray, Garry Robertson and Eric Gray.
P.C McKendrick (Police Scotland)

Apologies for Absence.

Apologies were received from Ken Bruce, Robin Lee, Telmo Teixeira, Councillors Beattie, Scott and Nicol (Angus Council) and Sandra Livingston (Communities Worker Angus Council)

Minutes of the Last Meeting.

It was proposed by Gary Robertson seconded by Douglas Murray that the minutes of the meeting held on 6th february 2024 be adopted as a true and accurate record.

Matters Arising.

There is no further update on The Old Fire Station.

The Chair has written to The King expressing regret that the Royal Visit had to be postponed due to bad weather. He also wished His Majesty a speedy recovery from his health problems.

The complaint against Douglas Murray has been taken to Angus Council by the complainer. The Vice Chair is dealing with the matter and will report back in due course.

Work is ongoing at the Eastmill Caravan Park to remove the units damaged in the flood. Concerns were expressed that this may affect local tourism hopefully only in the short term.

It was agreed to give up the lease on 13 Swan Street as the Brechin Flood Group no longer needs it.

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer reported that the bank balance stood at £1643.08 with no outstanding commitments. It was agreed not to continue with the Parish Online subscription.

Planning Report

The Planning Contact was not present but had reported there were no planning applications affecting Brechin since the last meeting.

Police Update

P. C McKendrick reported that there was little criminal activity in Brechin. Speeding and drug use continued to cause concern along with some anti social driving.

The following is a break down of local crimes

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

Group 2 - Sexual Crimes – 0

Group 3 - Crimes of Dishonesty – 7

Group 4 – Fire Raising, Vandalism, Malicious Mischief, Reckless Conduct – 3

Group 5 – Other Crimes including Breach of Bail, Weapons, Drugs offences – 2

Group 6 – Miscellaneous Crimes including Assaults, Police Assaults, Threatening behaviour, Stalking - 13

Group 7 – Road Traffic Offences – 3

Group 8 – Suspicious incidents – 0

Ongoing work by Community Officers during March 2024:

Cuppy with the crew and a cop (Community Consultation) within Brechin Fire station 13/03/24

Coffee with a cop (community consultation) at Edzell Community Cottage on 03/04/24

Junior Road Safety Officers from Edzell Primary School to carry out speed checks in Edzell

Exclusions zones at Andover Primary School

Safe Taysiders event at Maisondieu Primary School.

Councillors Update.

There were no Angus Councillors present so there was no update.

AOCB

The Brechin City Football Trust have asked for a letter of support for their plans to form a Community Hub at Glebe Park. This was agreed and the Secretary will write accordingly.

Concerns were expressed over the low number of Community Councillors and steps will be taken to recruit more.

Questions from the Floor.

There were no questions from the floor.

Date of Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd April at 7.00pm at GLEBE PARK.

There being no further business David thanked the attendees and closed the meeting at 8.50pm.