

Froghall, Powis and Sunnybank Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th October at Powis Community Centre.

1. Present:

Rhona Smith, Alex Mess, Fiona Lindsay, Cllr Ramsay Milne, Sarah Mackenzie, Nicol Ferguson, Gordon Ritchie (F.O.S.P.), Jackie Mair, Clive Kempe, Katja Brittain, PC David Charnley.

Apologies:

Ross Grant, Dauna Matheson, Jean Morrison, Linda Slessor, Albert Craig, Hilda Meers, Janet Potter and Elaine Logue

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The Minutes of the meeting of 14th August were approved by the committee.

- Proposed: Janet Potter
- Seconded: Rhona Smith

Matters Arising:

Jackie Mair gave a report on the Meeting called by the Powis Residents re:truanting and other unacceptable behaviours of pupils at St Machar Academy. Local residents, community wardens and police are co-operating in various ways to try to pre-empt this in future. Alex Mess also put forward suggestions about certification for young people. PC David Charnley will look into this.

3. Police Update:

Issues of importance to the community – e.g. break-ins in gardens, thefts from allotments/ reported incidents in Sunnybank Park – were raised and noted by PC David Charnley. He will take these forward and report back.

4. Aberdeen City Councillor Reports:

Cllr Ramsay Milne gave a report on various matters of interest from ACC; e.g. changes (minor) to St Machar catchment area; changes in benefit legislation and resulting problems; 3rd Don Crossing. He will provide us with further information re this last.

5. Planning Matters:

Katja Brittain is to take over the role of Planning Officer.

There was some discussion re planning issues around the use by Morrison Construction of part of Sunnyside Park for storage. Several views were expressed but the committee came to no immediate decision. Katja Brittain is to contact the planning department at the appropriate time (when Morrison's put in a Planning application, which is due at any time) and report back to the committee.

6. Survey of Public Spaces in the area:

Alex Mess is going to contact Steven Shaw (ACC Env Manager) and Ross Grant, with a view to doing an on-foot survey of Froghall, Powis and Sunnybank to identify and street problems – eg overhanging branches/ overflowing rubbish bins etc.

7. Reports / Feedback from other meetings:

Clive spoke briefly about the excellent talk we had from Amy of the Environmental Department.

8. Financial Matters:

As Janet Potter was unable to attend the meeting, there was no Treasurer's Report.

9. Correspondence:

A copy of the Minutes of the Minutes of the last meeting of George Street Community Council was received.

10. Publicity for CC. Increasing CC involvement. Co-opting new members:

Sarah Mackenzie, Nicol Ferguson and Jackie Mair were co-opted as Community Council members.

Fiona Lindsay has given us publicity on Facebook, and will continue to do so. We will also have a mention in 'The Powis Gull'.

11. Bulb Planting

Clive informed us of how to get free bulbs for autumn planting from ACC. Jackie Mair will look into this with regard to activities for youngsters during the forthcoming school holidays.

12. A.O.C.B.

Rhona Smith is no longer able to continue with the Website. Nicol Ferguson has offered to take this on.

The next meeting will be at 7pm on Wednesday 22nd November at the Powis Community Centre Meeting Room.