# Froghall, Powis and Sunnybank Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at Powis Community Centre

#### 1. Present:

Alex Mess, (Chair for meeting), Albert Craig, Katja Brittain, Mike Scott, Sarah Mackenzie (minutes), Janet Potter, Councillor Ross Grant, Graeme Leitch, Karen Rennie (ACC CCCO).

Apologies.

Clive Kempe, Linda Slessor, Nicol Ferguson; Rhona Smith, Fiona Lindsay, Councillor Jean Morrison, .Police Scotland

# 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2014 were approved by the members.

Proposed: Alex

Seconded: Janet

#### **Matters Arising:**

## 3. Police Update and cc observations

Police sent apologies to say no one was able to attend.

## 4. Aberdeen City Councillor Reports:

Councillor Ross Grant talked about the Third Don crossing and the public meetings he had attended at Bridge of Don/Danestone and Tillydrone. He stressed that the council would like the project to proceed as smoothly as possible, and measures have been proposed to reduce 'rat running'. Discussion of proposed road layout and bus gates continued see planning.

#### 5. Planning

Area road layout and proposed changes. Several matters were discussed including:

- Froghall Bridge and narrowness of footpath. Road is owned by Network Rail and they have said they could close the bridge if there is a problem with safety.
- Problem with traffic queuing at Bedford Bridge traffic lights and how this is likely to be even worse with new layout. Concern that traffic will flow into residential street to avoid wait.

- Possibility of opening up Bedford Avenue to traffic onto St Machar Drive discussed.
- Possibility of changing Bedford Place to two way traffic onto Bedford Road.

Decided that a subgroup should meet with the Road Officers to look at the plans at Marischal College and discuss proposals.

Other planning matters. Discussed number of new student accommodation planning applications. Some just out with the cc area. Generally we are supporting the George Street Community Councils views on these.

#### 6. Reports/Feedback from other meetings

Albert attended the Sunnyside Park AGM. They are proposing to build a climbing wall at the tennis courts.

Discussed the Community Council joining the Friends of Sunnybank Park

# 7. Treasurer's Report.

Janet confirmed £526.42 in the bank account.

The accounts need to be signed off by an independent person and this is to be arranged.

Karen confirmed only £1000 is allowed to be held at the year end, so with the 2014 cash the cc will need to spend £200 before the end of the year. Could possibly be used for renting the meeting room. If the funds are not spent we lose them

### 8. Correspondence

Funds available for Christmas Lights. This can be used for buying, putting up and taking down lights or electricity. Alex to discuss with Ann Pirie to see if centre would be interested.

Application form received for EcoCity Awards 2014. Sarah to send to Powis Residents Group and Sunnybank Park in case they want to apply.

### 9. **AOCB**

Discussed potholes in the area. As well as cons discussed that they probably prompted road users to slow down.

#### 10. Date of next meeting.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014