

Cove and Altens Community Council
Approved Minute of meeting 344
Monday 29 March 2021 via Microsoft Teams

1	<p>Welcome, sederunt and apologies Present:</p> <p>Community Councillors: Michele McPartlin (chair), Raymond Clark, Lauren Allanach, Sue Porter, Brian Allan, Jayne Thomson, Marlene Westland, Lynn Thomson (minutes).</p> <p>Other attendees: Insp. Donald Police Scotland, Councillor Sarah Duncan, Councillor Alec Nicoll, Councillor Miranda Radley, John Melville (local resident)</p> <p>Apologies: Margaret Lockens, Councillor Philip Sellar, Neil Hendry (Head Teacher, Lochside Academy).</p>	Action
2	<p>Minutes of meeting 343 of 22 February 2021 Approved. No amendments.</p>	
3	<p>Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting. Community Council laptop now upgraded to Windows 10. Stationfields housing: names proposed Falkland Crescent, Gardens and Way. Councillor Radley to feed back to officers on need for clear house numbering. Agreed by community councillors that Falkland name acceptable</p> <p>Trafalgar House has not yet been demolished.</p>	MR
4	<p>Police, Fire Service, City Wardens. Report from Inspector Donald. Low level of crime in area. Some antisocial behaviour – residents encouraged to contact Police. C&ACC had previously looked into diversionary activities (pre-Covid) for young people; might be possible to link in with Academy and local groups soon One theft reported from a construction site; one theft from bicycle store in Whitehills Lane South. Speeding – several officers in area have necessary detection training. Police can go to areas where problems noted by residents. Langdykes Road suggested as well as off road scrambler bikes seen in area.</p>	
5	<p>Lochside Academy: Update from Headteacher. As Mr Hendry is on leave, he sent the school Newsletter which was previously circulated to community councillors for information</p>	
6	<p>Business update:</p> <p>a. Treasurer’s report Accounts have now been audited and approved at the meeting. These will now be submitted to ACC along with covering letter. It was also agreed to buy gift for auditor to value of £30.</p> <p>b. Incoming and outgoing mail</p>	MW/ MM

	<p>List covers 16 February to 24 March 2021 and was circulated prior to the meeting for information. Included emails about asymptomatic Covid testing (with questionnaire) and training event about planning and Local Development Plan (Michele and Marlene to attend)</p> <p>c. Planning matters Aberdeen Altens Hotel application for variation to licensing conditions. Marlene to attend Licensing Board on 13 April. Await clarification on “film” query. Aldi application – discussion held on access/egress regarding pedestrian safety. Cairnrobin incinerator bottom ash planning application will be submitted to Aberdeenshire Council. Liaising with Portlethen CC as facility would be in their area. Raymond to contact SEPA to seek additional information. Wood-fired mobile kitchen application – various locations proposed. Queries re traffic management/parking and litter (noted that Doonies has no litter bins). Planning group to discuss further.</p> <p>d. Chronicle, website and Facebook page Cove Chronicle: Next edition should be on website by 1 April. Website and Facebook page: local walks (worked on by Lauren and John B) submitted to be uploaded to the website. Approved minutes of meetings also to be uploaded.</p> <p>e. Defibrillators. The setting up of the Friends Group is in hand and is being led by Michele and a member of the original steering group.</p>	<p>MW</p> <p>RC</p> <p>Planning group</p>
7	<p>Dog bin replacement New bin installed but in Marchmont Street. Cllr Radley to follow up with officers to try and get re-sited.</p>	MR
8	<p>Sport and Physical Activity fund Agreed that we can re-advertise to local community groups and schools in the near future.</p>	MW
9	<p>“Welcome to Cove Bay” sign update. Agreed to fund repair, shotblasting, galvanising and painting of existing sign. Awaiting receipt of confirmation of the estimate from Blacksmith on his headed paper. Possible sites for a second sign (from Leith’s stone) to be investigated.</p>	RC
10	<p>Reports from city councillors. Cllr Duncan: council meeting with John Lewis re their proposed store closure. City Centre Masterplan and Local Outcome Improvement Plan both to be refreshed. Cllr Radley: Old Cove lights fixed; others now out. Following up with officers</p>	MR
11	<p>Reports from subcommittees, CC reps attending meetings etc New Christmas tree looks healthy at present.</p>	

<p>Not yet clear if Christmas concert can go ahead Nothing further to report this month.</p>	
<p>12 AOCB Karen Finch will advertise community council elections planned for Oct 2021. Community litter-pick – Michele and Raymond to discuss sourcing of litter-pickers (possibly from Beautiful Scotland). Arrangement recently adopted by Greyhope Bay Project noted. Lauren suggested encouraging small Covid-safe groups rather than previous large community litter-picks. Michele to stand down as chair from the April meeting (will continue to be a community councillor). Volunteers for new chairperson sought (emails to Michele)</p>	
<p>13 Date of next meeting Monday 26 April 2021 at 7pm. Meeting closed at 9.15pm.</p>	