

**Minutes of the Elgin South Area Forum Meeting held on
Tuesday 18th October 2011 at 7.00pm in the NEON Building**

Present

Aileen Marshall (Chair)
Steven Christie (Vicechair)
Marilyn Kelly

Mary Dow (Secretary)
Louise Ellerby (Treasurer)
Linda McKenzie

In Attendance:

Cllr John Divers
PC Kim McGettrick (Grampian Police)

Alastair Kennedy (C&RBoECC)
Cllr John Sharp

Apologies:

Christine Clerk
Rebecca Kail
Gillian Mackay

PC Christopher Harris (Grampian Police)
Cllr Graham Leadbitter

ITEM NO	ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
1.	Aileen Marshall welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were noted.	
2.	<p>Minutes of meeting held on 16th August 2011</p> <p>The following corrections were proposed and approved. Page 2 4.4 should read – Dovecot Park not Dookit Park.</p> <p>With these corrections recorded, the previous minutes were accepted as a true record:</p> <p>Proposed by Steven Christie Seconded by Marilyn Kelly</p> <p>Minutes of meeting held on 20th September 2011</p> <p>The minutes were accepted as a true record:</p> <p>Proposed: Steven Christie Seconded: Linda McKenzie</p>	
3.	<p>Matters Arising from Minutes</p> <p>16th August 2011</p> <p>8.5 Matter now resolved.</p> <p>20th September 2011</p> <p>3.8 Cllr Divers advised that funding was not available until early December 2011.</p>	
4.	<p>Community Issues</p> <p>4.1 Elgin High School Improvements – Mary Dow to give an update following the Parent Council meeting on the 31st October 2011 re. Panel.</p> <p>4.2 New Elgin Prohibition of Waiting – Aileen Marshall advised that the revised version had been circulated on 19th September 2011. Louise Ellerby objected to these proposals as she felt they would cut-off accessibility to the Post Office. Other forum members were happy with the proposals and Aileen Marshall agreed to respond accordingly.</p> <p>4.3 Boroughbriggs Road/Cooper Park Consultation – Circulated 19th</p>	<p>MD</p> <p>AM</p>

	<p>September 2011. There were no objections noted. Linda McKenzie raised concerns at holiday time/weekends when families may have to park in Lossie Green car park and have to cross the road to get into Cooper Park, and she felt a crossing may be needed on this road. Aileen Marshall agreed to respond and mention Linda's concerns. Cllr Divers advised that he would also raise these concerns.</p>	<p>AM JD</p>
4.4	<p>Disabled Parking North Street – Circulated 19th September 2011. There were no objections noted and Aileen Marshall agreed to respond accordingly.</p>	<p>AM</p>
4.5	<p>Academy Street – Circulated 19th September 2011. There were no objections noted and Aileen Marshall agreed to respond accordingly.</p>	<p>AM</p>
4.6	<p>Litter Group – Steven Christie advised that at the recent Litter meeting it was agreed to develop a strategy Elgin wide and they were looking for people to be involved. The next meeting will be held on 10th November 2011 at 7pm at Cedarwood.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
4.7	<p>Parking in Elgin and BID Letter – circulated 12th September 2011. Alastair Kennedy felt that parking charges were wrongly structured and there was no incentive for people to stay in town longer. Suggestions included not charging for Saturday parking over the Christmas period and possibility of purchasing a monthly ticket at a cheaper rate.</p> <p>Aileen Marshall agreed to write to Jacqui Taylor stating that the ESAF agree and are glad that the subject of parking is being discussed and to mention the possibility of residents parking.</p>	<p>AM</p>
4.8	<p>Elgin City for the Future – Alastair Kennedy advised that comments can be sent to the e-mail address stated in the ESAF Update and the Community Council will forward as bullet points at the end of the Consultation.</p> <p>Several comments were made as follows:-</p> <p>No visuals at the presentations – need 3D models in various locations to gain support. Important to take communities along with them. Look at publicity and the use of schools to get information to parents. Parking issues (as stated in 4.7 above). Aileen Marshall agreed to respond raising these issues. Members could also respond individually.</p>	<p>AM</p>
4.9	<p>C&RBoECC – Alastair Kennedy advised that a presentation by Stagecoach was given at the last meeting and the C&RBoECC website was now live.</p>	
5.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>The balance of account stood at £5,327.84.</p> <p>It was suggested that members should receive a certain amount of expenses each month to cover the cost of internet access/admin. It was agreed to find a resolution and approach to expenses at the AGM.</p>	<p>ALL</p>
6.	<p>Forum Issues</p>	
6.1	<p>AGM Arrangements – Mary Dow agreed to place an advert in the Northern Scot regarding the AGM on 15th November 2011.</p>	<p>MD</p>
6.2	<p>Replacement for Mary Dow – Suggestions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Placing an advert in Northern Scot for Minutes Secretary - Placing an advert on The Moray Council website. 	

	Aileen Marshall agreed to speak to Gillian Bailey regarding advertising on the Moray Council website.	AM
6.3	Audit - Louise Ellerby agreed to inform Aileen Marshall when accounts are ready.	LE
6.4	Format of future meetings – Aileen Marshall stated that the forum needed to reflect on the year past and also discuss what changes might be considered both to the format of the meetings and to the conduct of Forum business as a whole. Aileen Marshall agreed to ask Gillian Bailey to conduct a planning session on this topic following the AGM on 15 th November 2011.	AM
6.5	Inspection Feedback – Aileen Marshall advised that several members had met an Inspector and that the CSU was graded as Good and this could not get better due to cuts. Aileen Marshall stated that the forum needed to consider if there are things we could be doing i.e. Action Plan. The official report is due out in November 2011 and members will be informed of the e-mail link when available. It was agreed that the most important thing is that people are aware of the forum and can attend meetings.	
6.6	Next Year's meetings – Aileen Marshall suggested members think about future speakers and decide at the AGM. Suggestions included Richard Lochhead, MSP and John Campbell (Drugs and Alcohol).	
7.	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VAM Training Programme – circulated 21st September 2011. - Worried About Winter Event – circulated 30th September 2011. - Redesign of Community Care Thank you – circulated (to those involved) 5th October 2011. - Community Planning E Bulletin – circulated 7th October 2011. - Community Fair – circulated 8th October 2011 - Aileen Marshall agreed to e-mail Alastair Kennedy to advise him that the ESAF would be interested in participating. - CSU Training – circulated 11th October 2011 – Aileen Marshall agreed to book two places on the Marketing event. - Funding Opportunity CFHS– circulated 11th October 2011. 	AM AM
8.	Any Other Competent Business	
8.1	Marilyn Kelly raised the following issues:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Are there any plans to clear the Tyock. - What are the two posts at the top of the cycle path on Glen Moray Drive for? <p>Cllr John Divers agreed to obtain answers.</p>	JD
8.2	Linda McKenzie raised the following issues:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lack of lighting on the cycle path on Glen Moray Drive. - The Wards path up to the white gates has several ruts and holes in. <p>Cllr John Divers agreed to raise these issues with the appropriate departments.</p>	JD
8.3	Alastair Kennedy advised that electric buses will be used on the Park and Ride this year.	
9.	Date of Next Meeting AGM Tuesday 15 th November 2011 at 7.00pm in NEON Building. The meeting closed at 9.20pm.	