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MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE MORAY COUNCIL COMMUNITY PLANNING GREENER STRATEGIC GROUP

THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER 2008

COUNCIL OFFICE ELGIN

PRESENT

Councillor F Murdoch	The Moray Council (Chair)
Councillor S Cree	The Moray Council
Councillor G Leadbitter	The Moray Council
Councillor I Ogilvie	The Moray Council
Councillor J Russell	The Moray Council
David Bale	Scottish Natural Heritage
Alex Tait	NHS Grampian
Tom Inglis	SEPA
Martin Johnson	HIE Moray
Alistair Scott	Scottish Natural Heritage
Matt Young	Forestry Commission Scotland

APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor

IN ATTENDANCE

The Head of Development Services, the Corporate Policy Unit Manager, Emma Gordon, Planning Officer (Planning & Development), the Community Planning Officer and the Senior Committee Services Officer, Clerk to the meeting.

1. MINUTE OF MEETING DATED 18 SEPTEMBER 2008

The Minute of the meeting of the Group dated 18 September 2008 was submitted and approved.

2. ACTIONS FROM COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD MEETING DATED 7 AUGUST 2008

(a) Protocol for Addressing Cross Cutting Issues

3. ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES LIST MATRIX: UPDATE

4. ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINTING: UPDATE

5. MORAY COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL FUND AND AWARD SCHEME: UPDATE

6. BUSINESS SEMINAR: UPDATE

7. PROCUREMENT: UPDATE

8. LIFT SHARING SCHEME: UPDATE

9. CREATION OF CO-ORDINATING & OPERATIONAL GROUPS: DISCUSSION

10. URBAN SEAGULLS IN THE MORAY AREA

There was submitted a report by the Director of Environmental Services detailing what steps if any, the Council would take to address the potential risks to health arising from the apparent increase in the seagull population.

Following consideration the Group agreed that:-

- (i) The Environmental Health Section continues to provide information and advice on the control of gulls in line with current practice.
- (ii) The Moray Council makes arrangements to remove nests and proof buildings in their ownership as necessary in line with current practice.
- (iii) Householders be discouraged from feeding Seagulls.
- (iv) Wheelie Bins continue to be used for the storage of refuse.

11. PLASTIC RECYCLING IN MORAY SCHOOLS

There was submitted a report by the Head of Development Services providing an assessment of the feasibility of rolling out a programme of plastic recycling at Moray Schools.

Following consideration the Group agreed that plans for the collection of plastics from schools should be put on hold until the outcome of the ongoing investigations into the future of waste collection and treatment in Moray is known.

12. SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENT 2008/09: QUARTER 2 UPDATES

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Policy Unit Manager providing the Group with an update of performance against the Single Outcome Agreement Performance Indicators relating to the Greener theme, and advising the Group on the progress made against the Single Outcome Agreement Required Actions relating to the Greener theme.

Following consideration the Group scrutinised and noted the update of performance and the progress made against required actions relating to the Greener theme, as laid down in the Single Outcome Agreement 2008/09.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The meeting noted that the next meeting of the Group will be held on Thursday 26 March 2009 at 9.30 pm within the Committee Room, Moray Council Office, Elgin.

14. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

There was circulated and noted for the Group's information the undernoted items:-

- (a) Protocol for Addressing Cross-Cutting Issues - Report by Corporate Policy Unit Manager.
- (b) Copy of the Action Sheet from meeting of the Community Planning Board dated 30 October 2008.