

BUCKIE AREA FORUM

MEETING

Held on Wednesday 26th November 2014
In The Town House, Buckie.

Present:

Alistair Farquhar, Sonya Warren, Gillian Rose, Liam Gordon, Joe Grant, Ian MacPherson, Emma Marandola, Ian Moir, Stephen Cowie

In attendance:

Apologies:

Jo Farquhar, Zafir Ali, Alan Beresford, Gary Coull, Barry Taylor, Neil Johnson, Emma Marandola, Ian Moir, Ruth Archer, Lynne Ward, Cllr Gordon McDonald, Cllr Gordon Cowie, Cllr Joe Mackay, Ian Todd, Cllr Ron Shepherd, Ian Todd, Nicola Warren

October 2014 Meeting Minute, approval was proposed by Ian Moir seconded by Gillian Rose

Matters Arising:

Meeting Dates --- The date of the next meeting should be communicated by e-mail within seven days of a meeting date to notify all forum members including those not present. Consideration to be given to setting meeting dates for the next year

Sportshub: there is now a moray sportshub website Craig Barron's role is to be clarified

The treasurer needs to take a signed copy of the AGM minutes to the bank

Correspondence:

Letter of thanks received from the spayside way race

Hall Bookings / Caretaking:

It was agreed that the certificate of insurance does not have to be displayed in the hall.

Invoices for use of the hall to be sent out

The tables in the hall have diminished in numbers councillors McDonald and Cowie to be asked to investigate this.

An inventory of forum and regeneration group property should be carried out

Schools Review:

The moratorium on school closures was welcomed, it was noted that there was no consultation on which schools were to be upgraded

Worldhost:

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Chairman: Sonya Warren. Secretary: Jo Farquhar. Treasurer: Zafir Ali.

Moray Area Forum: Sonya reported on the recent meeting which had discussed
School review
Elgin link road
Transport review
NHS Grampian concerns

Moray Towns Partnership:
Looking for 5 events to publicise in brochure

Regen Group:

It was confirmed that the telescope was now in place

Confirmation of continuing funding from Moray council was awaited; this was dependant on the result of the Elgin bid vote

Crofting connections event for primary schools was being funded

Fishwives walk inclusion in Moray walking festival also walking websites such as walkhighlands to be investigated

The poor condition of the town centre notice board was noted

Youth matters:

The brownie representative in attendance has no issues she wished to raise

Community Matters

Steven Cowie enquired regarding a laptop for Radio Buckie, none of the forum members present had any knowledge of this, Ian Moir to investigate.

Stephen then reported on Radio Buckie progress to date, they are broadcasting to BCHS during lunchtime, Via Keith Community Radio and also mixedcloud.com

AOCB:

None

Date of next meeting:

Wednesday 21st January 2015 at 7pm in the Town House, Buckie.