**Garthdee Community Council**

**Meeting 8th August 2017**

**7pm Inchgarth Community Centre**

**Minutes.**

1. **Attendance and welcome:**

Paul O’Connor, Jo Duthie, Arthur Allan, Rab Murchie, Andrew Murray, Karen Finch, Irene Buchan, Frank Robertson, Dave Adam, Anna De Silva, Pat Adams

**2. Apologies**

Gordon Townson, Ian Yuill, Douglas Lumsden, Dave Macdonald

Wilma is tendering her resignation for personal reasons. Paul expressed thanks for her support for 15 years of service.

**3. Police Report**

No police report as no officers present at the meeting.

Rab and Jo advised issues of thefts of garden ornaments in the area

**4. Minutes of previous meeting:**

proposed by Rab Murchie

seconded by Frank Robertson

**5. Matters Arising:**

HMO correspondence- there appears to be a differential between what the public and community councils want and the views of students residing in the area.

Mental health club took place in July- next one will take place on 28th August at RGU.

Health and social care partnership- Paul attended the recent meeting. Paul has asked a rep to attend one of the meetings.

Community Directory has been around the doors and will be issued again.

Paul has chased up the council re access issues.

**6. Correspondence:**

HMO report received.

Funding opportunities correspondence received

Police career opportunity correspondence

Funding from green infrastructure- this was forwarded onto Gwens garden project

Traffic road closures notification

Awards for community regeneration correspondence

**7. First Bus- Davie Adam- Operations Manager**

Ian had suggested a joint meeting with First Bus, community council, council officers. Not aware of meeting having taken place.

Paul asked Davie if this would be the best way forward.

First Bus are trying to speed up the times of buses. Double deckers are used on the 1A service for students.

Irene asked how to access bus timetables. Timetables could be issued from centre and community projects. Electronic copies will be sent through to Paul.

**8. Community open/information/consultation day.** Multi-Agencies 19th November. Will the community council fund £500.

Its about reaching out to our community. Groups from the Liaison group could have their stalls , get feedback from the community, have stalls for each organisation. Highlight any issues and problems. Its on the agenda for the liaison group meetings.

Feedback would be required from the organisations in September meeting.

The committee agreed to £500 towards this.

**9. The Garthdee walkabout. Choose a new date**

Find out who is interested in getting involved

**10. Garthdee Drive flats, Ramsay stores.** Rubbish and general condition of the buildings

Issues with overflowing bins, items dumped in the area. When doing the walkabout could follow this up with the council and the appropriate bodies.

**11. The tennis courts/bowling greens**. Will the council be constructing houses

Paul has emailed the councillors about the land. Tennis courts are being well used.

Rab raised the issues of the pallets and equipment being stored on the Kaimhill playing fields. Rap will keep an eye on this.

**12. Garthdee Parish church**

Paul received a message from Rick Brookes. Ian Yuill had a meeting with the session clerk at Garthdee parish church.

The church need a full time minister to rebuild while Hilda has been asked to attend the com council and liaison group meeting.

Paul will write to the church of Scotland re this.

**13. Accounts**

Andy presented the monthly accounts. See attached handout.

Proposed by Arthur Allan

Seconded by Frank Robertson

**14. Planning officers report**

Irene updated the community council regarding Inchgarth House- access and development to the building.

**15. Garthdee community council by-election**

Karen confirmed that the elections for all community councils will take place next year.

The original plan for new community council elections to coincide with a by election for GCC.

**16. Councillors reports**

No councillors present.

**17. AOCB;**

Paul met with the new MP for the area Ross Thompson, and he attended the centre.

Paul asked if the com council had an AGM while he was away.

Paul suggested purchasing a pop up banner. Karen has a pop up banner that can be borrowed at any time.

Arthur raised Bridge of Dee- what is happening with it.

Andrew raised issue of sharp bend on Garthdee road. Paul will write to Barrat, the developers in the area.

Karen- boundaries are changing with houses alongside Pitfodels Station Road being included under Cults , the community council had no objection to this so long as the boundary changes did not remove any further space from Garthdee boundaries.

Irene- from the civic forum- its open to any community councillor that wishes to join.

**18. Date and time of next meeting:**

Tuesday 12th September at 7pm