

BUCKIE AREA FORUM
MINUTES
21st September 2016

Present: Linda McDonald (BAF), Neil Johnson (BAF), Gillian Rose (BAF), Ian Moir (BAF), Ian Todd (TMC), Iain Grieve (BAF),

In attendance: Cllr Gordon McDonald, Cllr Gordon Cowie

1. Welcome and apologies

Chair Linda McDonald welcome everyone to the meeting, noted apologies for Zafar Ali (BAF), Jo Farquhar (BAF), Alistair Farquhar (BAF), Gordon Morrison Fire and Rescue Station Manager, Nicola Warren (BAF), Cllr Sony Warren

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Ian Moir and seconded by Ian Grieve with one amendment and that was to add the attendance at the last meeting of Cllr Gordon Cowie which had been omitted.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

None.

4. Presentation by Boortmalt Buckie.

No-one appeared on behalf of the Company.

5. Correspondence

Portgordon Hall Committee had asked for assistance from the BAF for administration costs and for hall refurbishment. It was agreed that we could not support the refurbishment but agreed to support the group with £550 for accommodation costs.

6. Treasurer's report

In the treasurer's absence there was no report.

7. Moray Area Forum

Discussion held about the future of Education in Moray. A paper from Ian Todd on the role of area Forums was also discussed as proposed by the Community Engagement Group. A further meeting to be arranged.

8. Buckie Regeneration Group (update)

- a) Consideration is being given by the Group to secure Struan House as a community hub. Discussions have been held with the owner and these are ongoing. After outlining the possible financial scenarios, Gordon asked if BAF was supportive of this initiative. There was unanimous support given to the pursuit of this project.
- b) BAF were asked if they would be supportive of finding out if there is a desire to have allotments in Buckie. There is land that could be suitable but we need to find out what demand there is for the concept. The Forum supported finding out what the support would be from the public.

9. Youth Matters

None.

10. Community

- a) Harbour Advisory Committees. Main discussions were about the dredger and consultation on boat charges.
- b) Money for Moray. Two successful days held in Rothes and 34 community groups received funding. BAF secured £500 for footpath investigation in Buckie (Ian Moir).

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c) Transport Forum. No report.

11. AOCB

None

12. Next meeting/s

The next meeting will be at 7pm on 14th December 2016 in the Community Lounge at Buckie High School.

Future dates for BAF meetings: 18th January 2017, 15th March 2017, 21st June 2017 (AGM).

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