

Old Aberdeen Community Council

Tuesday 19h June 2007
The Old Town House
7.25 for 7.30 p.m.

Agenda

Present: Graham Abraham, Isobel Aitken, Christine Burgess, Clive Kempe,
Graham McKechnie, Gordon Mutch, PC Steve McKenzie, Cllr Collie,
Cllr Noble
Apologies: Simon Barker, Angela Ferguson, Morag Paterson, Cllr Robertson

1 Minutes of April meeting were approved

2 Matters arising

- Fraser Noble proposed extension passed but with landscaping conditions
- Reply from Allan Adam re new lighting in the High Street – to be completed before darker evenings
- Aberdeen Safer Community Trust – re security cameras for St Machar's Cathedral after recent incident – now in place
- Reply from Doug Ritchie (Road Safety and Traffic Management Engineer) acknowledging our concerns about the overspill of student parking and our support for the implementation of a widespread control parking zone that will give residents free parking
- Planning Training Sessions attended by Gordon and Clive . Additional sessions may be offered by Friends of the Earth.
- No movement even yet on junction at University Road and College Bounds – Christine showed photo of sign at Charlotte Street which is the traditional No Entry except for buses.
- David's Neighbourhood Watch report – pointed out that this was a small group for Don Street and the Chanonry NW bulletins on the Grampian Police web-site.
- Sign at Campus travel – too late to make representations – already passed through planning
- Annual cheque received
- Letter from Mike Hearn re Sandra McDonald's Ward Budget and her application for monies for the Dunbar Hall renovations. Letter passed to Gordon and Trustees for action. The councilors present indicated that within the new ward system, each councilor had £5,000 to allocate as appropriate.

2 Open Meeting in May:

Thank you to Simon for his notes

Review of the meeting which was generally agreed to have been a success with around 65 people in attendance.

First Bus representative for Traffic Management to be invited at some future date to OACC meeting.

3 University update:

No representative present this month

4 Police update

Three robberies – Seaton Park, the Chanonry and the footpath up to Tillydrone
OACC to pursue improved street lighting in the Chanonry.
Visible presence at Freshers' Week again 2007

5 Planning update

Approval for Carnegie Court, Hillhead Campus
Consultative Draft Aberdeen Local Transport Strategy 2007-2012

6 Treasurer's report

Cheque received and over £5,000 in the bank. To be spent!

7 Correspondence

- OACC Sustrans Works- cycle paths (26/04/07)
- Union Street Pedestrianisation (1/06/07)
- Minutes of the community consultation on the next City and Shire Structure Plan (1/06/07)
- Election of Councillors (4/05/07)
- Local Plan delay (17.05/07)
- Adrian's Marshall's letter raising awareness of the proliferation of street signs in the High Street and querying the possibility of rationalising them. Also whether less glaring paint could be used for the double yellow lines.

8 Noticeboard

Christine raised the possibility of siting the community noticeboard in the frontage to DunbarStreet Hall. Gordon to look into this.

9 Coat of Arms/Logo

The high cost of the Community Council registering its own coat of arms was considered to be out of the question. Graham raised the possibility of sharing with Old Aberdeen Heritage Society. Christine to contact the Chair, Morley Hutchison..

10 AOCB

Multiple Occupancy – Christine to write re MO application at Douglas Place
Dunbar Hall : successful and enjoyable ceilidh

Date of next meeting : 21st August 2007