

MONIFIETH LANDWARD PARTNERSHIP

MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2008 AT 7.30 PM IN MONIFIETH LIBRARY AND BURGH CHAMBERS

Present:

Dr Andrina McCormack, Chair - AEM
Cllr John Whyte
Cllr Margaret Thomson
Davina Campbell, Angus Council, Community Learning and Development
William C Milne, Monifieth Community Council
Beverley Gibb, Community Planning Officer, Angus Community Planning Partnership
George Mitchelson, Monifieth Medieval Fayre
Stuart Cameron
Stuart Ellis, Monifieth in Bloom
Angus Johnston, Monifieth Rotary
Cllr Christina Roberts, Dundee City Council/Dighty Environment Group
Brian Bell, Dighty Environmental Group
Alistair McKenzie, Treasurer - MKZ

Apologies

John Whellams, Monifieth Community Council
Stewart Anton, Monikie Community Council

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Error in the name of Organisations for Alex Graham – should be Wine Circle and not Derek Dewar. Also Andrina McCormack should be AEM and not AMcK – secretary has noted this for future. Minute agreed as true record. George Mitchelson Proposed, Cllr Whyte seconded.

2. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising outwith the agenda items.

3. DIGHTY ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

Andrina welcomed Brian Bell of the Dighty Environment Group gave an interesting talk on the background of how the group started and they type of work they carry out. The group is fully made up of volunteers and they work all over the city of Dundee to Angus. They prevent fly-tipping, protect wildlife and prevent vandalism etc. They are funded through the Fairer Scotland Fund and have no limitations in terms of work.

They are keen to become involved in the Monifieth in Bloom project – Stewart Ellis to take this forward.

4. MONIFIETH IN BLOOM

The next meeting of the Monifieth in Bloom group is to be held on or around January 10th 2009. Stewart Ellis to arrange.

Points to take forward to meeting:-

- Find out more about the paths network programme from Roy Madden.
- Write to Dobbies re participating in next years programme
- Write to local house developers for donation to Dighty project
- Contact Country Rangers re participating
- Look into accessibility of project for registered blind/Disability Awareness.

Stewart Ellis gave info re a service for Registered Blind to have commentary at football games, transport etc. is included.

5. MONIFIETH BUSINESS ASSOCIATION (MBA)

An open letter was delivered to as many local businesses as possible to ask them to join the MBA. The letter also referred to the Environmental Improvement Grant Scheme and free advertising on the Angus Ahead website. Members were again urged to speak to business people they knew.

A suggestion was made to approach the Round Table, 41 Club and Rotary etc. It was agreed that an inaugural meeting of the MBA be arranged for around March.

6. TREASURER

Paperwork needs to be moved forward, J Whellams to be contacted re previous paperwork.

7. FARMERS MARKET

The Farmers Market have had the OK from Tesco to hold the Farmers Market quarterly initially. Farmers Market keen to have it monthly. Bev to firm this up asap.

8. MONIFIETH CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SUB-GROUP

The annual Christmas Lights event took place on place on Thursday 27 November with Desperate Dan switching on the lights. The Partnership thanked the sub-group for all their hard work, throughout the year. And an extended thank you to Desperate Dan who did very well!

9. COMMUNITY HALL

Lengthy discussion took place re the Community Hall situation.

AEM reported that the Hall Steering group had expressed some concern at about the previous Partnership minute which expressed that the Hall Steering Group did not wish to be associated with the partnership. They would like it known that they do not wish to be disassociated from the Partnership.

The Partnership wished to convey their view that they fully support the work of the Hall Steering group and will continue to report on their work at each meeting.

It was agreed that the Community Hall is a priority for the whole of Monifieth and that we were all working together towards a common goal and not for gain of kudos.

It was suggested that the Partnership write to the Church Council to ask when a decision will be made.

It was also suggested that an area on the outskirts of the town may be more suitable due to parking issues etc.

Alistair agreed to prepare a model/plans for provoking discussion based on the footprint of the South Church Hall.

AEM to take these issues back to the Hall steering group.

10. AOB

It was noted that a centre fold feature in the latest edition of Monifieth Matters was a stimulus for thought on the future of the Town and to gauge what interest there is from the residents of Monifieth. The forms are to be returned either to the ACCESS Office or Community Planning Team.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the AGM and will held on Tuesday 17 February 2009 at 7.00pm within in Monifieth Library/Burgh Chambers.