

Minutes of Castlehill and Pittodrie Community Council Meeting

30.5.12, 6pm, Fittie Bar

In attendance:	Absent/Apologies:
Sandy Scott	Kate Bailey
Mike Mc Connell	Pat Chilton
Evan Budge	Mike Heaney
Finlay Bennet	Robert Cunningham
Dale Arey	Cheryl Croydon
Alex Gemie	
Pauline Brown	
Chris Third	
William Rae	

Welcome to Chris Third and William Rae who have both been in contact with Madam Secretary, Kate.

Approval of previous meeting's minutes was deferred to allow Sandy Scott (ACC) to contribute to the meeting and leave.

Britain in Bloom:

Sandy showed photos of two types of planters that ACC are willing to donate to Fittie; hexagonal wooden and rectangular metal-the latter having previously been on Union Bridge.

A decision was taken to accept 12 metal planters (with inserts), to be delivered within "a week to a fortnight". As these are very heavy, the people who take away the existing planters will deliver and manoeuvre to chosen locations. (Action: Alex to confirm locations within one week).

These planters will be delivered filled with compost and we will be supplied with black Hammerite paint. As the idea is that residents will take responsibility for planters, individuals will paint their own planter.

Britain in Bloom judges will be in Fittie on 7th August, sometime between 1pm and 3pm. Dale and Kate and a group of children will talk with judges, highlighting community involvement-particularly that of children and emphasising how we have embraced this year's theme of "Wild about Wildflowers".

Community service workers are to tidy verges/play area etc before that date.

The option of being provided with hanging baskets is still open to us. No arrangements were made to move this forward.

Play Area:

Sandy showed us a photos of a wave-shaped seating arrangement that was previously located in the Trinity Centre. We are being offered two of these for the play area.

A decision was taken to accept this offer. There is an “open window” on the date of delivery and ACC will supply paint to refresh the seats.(Action: William to paint)

Discussion moved on to the surface of part of play area; sand v wood chips.
(Action: Jim Nicol to check legal requirements)

Dale reported that Ian Jessiman of the Harbour Board has confirmed support and contribution to the play park.

ACVO will attend to paperwork relating to the £20, 000 grant from Lottery Fund/Cash for Kids after 9th June.

At this juncture, Chris Third and William Rae were co-opted on to Community Council. (Action: Madam Secretary, Kate, to inform Karen Riddoch)

Jubilee Celebrations:

There was some discussion of whether or nor pallets were to be available for building the proposed evening bonfire. (Action: Evan to ask Graeme Falconer). If not, it was felt it might be best to abandon the idea of the bonfire.

Alex reported that plans were in hand for the proposed coffee morning, although more offers of help and donations of cakes /bric a brac would be welcome.

AOB:

Mike McC reminded us of documents on website that were available for consultation and comment. (Action: William volunteered to read and comment on the Aberdeen Development Plan)

Next meeting will be on 25.6.12, 6pm, Fittie bar.

