

Minutes of the Fraserburgh & District Community Safety Group meeting held on Wednesday 6 November 2019 at 6.00pm at Fraserburgh Fire Station.

Chair, Brian Topping welcomed everyone to the meeting, and asked that once again we thank the Scottish fire & rescue service for giving us the use of the fire station for our meeting, John Anderson would pass our thanks.

Item 1: Welcome and Apologies

Sederunt:, William Mowat (Vice Chair), Brian Noble (Treasurer), John Anderson, Douglas Ewen and Colleen Ewen

Apologies: Claire Levett, and Chris Arnott (secretary)

Item 2: Approval of Minutes of 26th June 2019

Minutes from last meeting from Wednesday 4th September were moved as correct by John Anderson and seconded by Bill Mowatt , and agreed.

Item 3: Matters Arising

Brian Topping discussed email from Andrew Mackie and Andrew Martin about our groups request for the other half of our allocated grant, which appears to be being withheld due to a spread sheet being late. It was noted that we account for every penny spent, and have been unable to discuss possible projects without funding. It was strongly felt that the council have always been very late with allocating our safety groups funding, which has hindered us in the past. Our last grant was received only weeks before the end of financial year, and as such appears to be one rule for the council and one for our group.

A request was submitted to both Andrew Mackie and Andrew Martin to attend a meeting, in order to meet our group and try to resolve the issue of the other half of our groups funding. Andrew Mackie offered to meet two reps in Ellon a week on Monday, at the safety group's network meeting. This was dismissed due to the concerns of it being an unfitting environment to discuss the matter.

Item 4: Treasurers report:

Treasurers report given by Brian Noble , which was noted, we received half of our groups grant from council £875

Item 5: Correspondence

A report was received from the Community Wardens and Fraserburgh Surf Lifesaving Group, which were received with thanks.

We had a report from the community wardens, which was noted with thanks.

A request from Doug Simpson (Brochers against dog fouling) requesting funding for a small grant of £100, for poo bags that fit into the Wybone dog dispensers. He once again thanked our group for the 2 dispensers which we funded in the past and explained that he had almost no money left for poo bags. Douglas needs on average 700 bags per month, and feels this is going a long way to improve the dog fouling issues in the area.

The community wardens had an email requesting that the CSG purchase high-viz snap bands for school children on their behalf.

Both requests were discussed and agreed to award £100 to Brocher's against dog fouling.

The request from the Community Wardens was declined as we have already had a number of similar projects, ran by our safety group, which included high viz strips for bags and clothing, glow in the dark beads for bicycle wheels and high viz vests for youths delivering papers. In addition, due to the target being school kids, the group historically take guidance from the school in relation to projects ran or funded by us. Brian Topping stated that he will liaise with the school in order to obtain this guidance and possible projects involving them will be discussed. Brian Topping also stated that he will be contacting Fraserburgh Herald to do an article about Safety in the Dark, which encourages people to wear bright colours and be seen, especially when using bicycles.

John Anderson raised a request on behalf of Fraserburgh community council resilience group, for a possible grant to go towards blankets, boxes to store them in, and other items that can be used for emergencies. This request was agreed in principle, but we were wanting to work jointly with the community council on this project, which we have supported in the past. It was suggested that we get an itemised list and cost of what was required, and we could match the community councils funding for this request.

John & Bill gave an update on behalf of our safety groups defibrillators working group, this was noted with thanks.

Funding for 2 personal defibrillator carrier covers was agreed.

Our group discussed beach safety and the regeneration of the beach, we want to be consulted and involved.

Item 9: Date Place and Time of Next Meeting

Proposed date of next meeting is Wednesday 22nd January 2020, 6pm start at Fraserburgh fire station.

Appendix 1



Safer Community Warden's Report (Fraserburgh)

September 2019

- Visited the P2/3 children at Lochpots Primary School on 24th May and gave a talk on being a Responsible Citizen. This was part of a project the school was doing.
Planning on visiting all P1 classes throughout the Broch over the coming weeks, starting with North School on Monday next week. Also planning on visiting all P7 classes towards the end for the school term, with a focus on anti-social behaviour and littering at lunch times.
- Following reports of various anti-social behaviour, we have also patrolled areas including Sandhaven, Rosehearty and Inverallochy.
- Contacted organisers at Scottish Sports Futures regarding the Shell Twilight Basketball sessions in Fraserburgh. Is on from 8pm - 10pm every Friday and is a new initiative to help tackle antisocial behaviour. We hope to drop in now and again to get involved, engage and develop links with the young people.
- Booked in to do Child Car Seat Safety training in September. Once completed, we will be looking to organise annual check sessions and attending road safety events.
- Will be visiting NESCol along with the RLSS and SFRS to assist with the Don't Drink & Drown initiative.
- Littering Fixed Penalty Notices - As well as Dog Fouling fixed penalty noticed, Community Wardens in both Fraserburgh and Peterhead have now been officially authorised by the head of service to carry out Littering fixed penalty notice enforcement. £80 - £100.

Appendix 2



IN THIS ISSUE

What has been happening this season...

- lifeguards and 3 more Trainer assessors (2 in Aberdeen, 1 in Lassie, and soon to be one in Thurso).
- ✓ **Next course assessment day** is 14th September.
- ✓ **New clubs** - two other clubs have come to me to help get them set up (Bettyhill and Naim).
- ✓ **Aviemore Triathlon** - we lifeguarded this event and had to action 5 rescues.
- ✓ **Summer Incidents** - I have seen briefly those involved in the rescues over the summer. They are meeting me at the clubhouse on Saturday (7th) to give me more details, to give them some training and to be part of the club.
- ✓ **School Assemblies** - the school assemblies that I delivered just before the school holidays have had an impact. Young people feel more confident to intervene and help.
- ✓ **Summer Campaign** - I have been running an online campaign of the key life saving information over the summer and now am able to them put them up on the new noticeboard at the beach to back the online campaign. We have had 1000 new followers since then.
- ✓ **Club Defib** - I have been asked if this can be made a 24-hour access but unfortunately it was fundraised with the knowledge that it would have to be mobile for us as we take it to lifeguard events. I donate all my earning from these events to help fund the club. These funds bring in significant and regular funds for the club.
- ✓ **Clubhouse** - I had meetings with various people to discuss the viability of creating a purpose-built clubhouse with conference room that could be hired across the area. We have had interest from the local CLD/Academy 'Fraserdeen' project. We will work with the surf club to raise funds and make this happen.
- ✓ **Academy School Defib** - I have running regular, drop-in familiarising sessions for all staff.
- ✓ **Donated money for manikins** - I have trained up staff & created CPR courses that will be delivered by those staff. The courses will be delivered to all S3 classes and further course offered to S5/6, which is the equivalent of a Higher, in an extra qualification recognised by SQA.
- ✓ **Next Event - Gathering of the clans** - this the Scottish National yearly competition that is going to be held here in the Broch on the weekend of the 1/2nd November 2019. I am currently putting together a water safety team to lifeguard event (insurance requires it). Surfers from clubs across Scotland attended the event with a team. Hopefully there will be the high quality waves that we normally get at for the time of year.

Report for Safety Group

- ✓ **Training courses** - I have spent the summer running training courses across Scotland.

We know have more qualified