Aberdeen Civic Forum

Minutes of Meeting – Tuesday, 30th^h October, 2018 Meeting held in The Town House, Broad Street, Aberdeen

| <u>Topic</u> | <u>Discussion/Decision</u> | Action By |
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| | | All members |
| <u>Welcome</u> | The Chairperson welcomed everyone in attendance to the evening's | |
| | meeting. | |
| <u>Attendance</u> | Faith-Jason Robertson-Foy, Colin West, Faye Morrison, David Henderson, | |
| | William Rae, Arthur Forbes, Ann Wakefield, David Wakefield, Jonathan | |
| <u>Apologies</u> | Smith, Val Vertigans, Lavina Massie, | |
| | Julia-ann Bouchard, Carol Hannorford, Faye, Isabelle, Charles Lowe, Ken | |
| | Eddie. | |
| 1.Community Justice | There was a presentation from Val Vertigans – Community Justice, and | All members |
| presentation. | Claire Duncan Lead Social worker for AHSCP-Aberdeen City Council. | <u>Chairperson</u> |
| | | Lead Group |
| | The presentation was regarding how the Community Justice Strategy was | |
| | progressing in Aberdeen. | |
| | This was followed by a question and answer discussion. | |
| | Faith-Jason mentioned that she was meeting with Allan Robertson BPD | |
| | Pathway Officer regarding a crisis document for BPD offenders when they | |
| | are in custody. | |
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| | David mentioned that he would like to see more exit questionnaire filled in | |
| | after repeat offenders have been though the system. | |
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The Forum resolved:

- All projects to be shared within community groups, community council forum, community councils, Aberdeen civic forum so that we can see the progress and see how things needs changed in the future. The civic forum can help with this mechanism.
- Help with community engagement to support and shape this project.
- Continue to have Faith-Jason and David as representatives to the community justice forum.

2, Minutes and Matters Arising

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The minute of August meeting was approved by Lavina and seconded by Faith-Jason

August minutes

The Food Growing Strategy information was shared.

If anyone is interested in joining the Food Growing And Greenspace Group then then please contact Jonathan.

Community Choices Fund will be covered later under Strengthening Democracy.

Community Justice provided an update earlier.

Community Representative for the ADP, Faye is unable to attend the next meeting; William is attending on Fayes behalf.

Jonathan and Faith-Jason to have a follow up with VSA and AHSCP regarding the Carers APP. This app will be commissioned for around 100-140 thousand pounds. A software development firm is being brought in to develop this app.

Later Lavina will provide an update on the Station Gateway and Taking Stock Day.

September Minutes Lead Group

Jonathan mentioned that Faith-Jason had provided an update regarding BPD and Community Justice.

<u>Chairperson</u> <u>Vice-Chairperson</u>

all members

Jonathan mentioned that David was making good progress with the Community Engagement Project. Jonathan, Lavina, Arthur had an update regarding The City Centre Masterplan which would be covered later. All Community Council elections have taken place. Jonathan had offered people who did not stand for election the opportunity to remain on the Forum even as an interested member of the public. David Fryer, David Henderson Lorna and Donna have all said that they may be interested. The Forum was more than happy for David Henderson to remain on the Community Justice Board. All members supported this. There are extra spaces in the Fairer Aberdeen Fund. If anyone is interested then please contact Jonathan. The minute of September meeting was approved by Lavina and seconded by Faith-Jason

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| City Centre Masterplan and | City Centre Masterplan and Station Gateway | <u>Vice-Chairperson</u> |
| Station Gateway | Arthur had commented that there was now permission to pull the building down. Lavina had said that she had attended a meeting yesterday with Gail Beattie. At the meeting lavina enquired if she could look at the plans for the building. Gail had said that they would need to get in contact with Peter Roberts regarding this. Lavina asked arthur if he would also like to attend the future meeting. | <u>Community</u> <u>Representatives</u> |
| | Strengthening Democracy (Participatory Requests, Asset Transfers, Community Empowerment | |
| Strengthening Democracy (Participatory Requests, Asset Transfers, Community Empowerment | The Asset Transfers and Participation Projects are now being lead by Jonathan. Jonathan wishes to open these processes up so that all communities have as much opportunity to put in requests and have their say. Unless there is a very good reason as to why a member of the community cannot join a group then they are usually permitted to join. Scottish Governments legislation backs this up. Jonathan has asked that the Scottish Government Development Trust to host an event in Aberdeen in November all about Asset Transfers. | |
| | This has been agreed. Jonathan will send out the invitation to this event in the next couple of days. | |

Jonathan has encouraged everyone to go along to this event.

Economic Strategy, for Aberdeen and North-East

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Jonathan and Lavina are attending a conference on Friday at the AECC regarding Aberdeen. There is an Economic Strategy but there needs to be specifically for the city of Aberdeen. MSPs, CO Leaders are all expected to attend the conference. 2 Senators from then States of Jersey are also expected to be at the Conference.

We need to make sure that this is not just the oil and gas industries that this new strategy benefits. All communities and people in the communities need to benefit too. All people need to be treated fairly and have the support that they need. Skills Development Scotland should also be involved in this Strategy.

Health and Social Care (GP Practices including Torry and Rosemount Health Centre

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Jonathan had said that in the next few months there will be some changes with health and social care as they are in the process of writing a new strategy. Jonathan had said that Aberdeen civic forum needs to be involved to ensure that everyone in the community has the chance to be involved with these changes. The forum agreed that we will need to share this information to the communities as widely as possible.

Faith-Jason has created a survey and has asked if Aberdeen Civic Forum would put it on their website.

The survey is regarding transport experience to and from Foresterhill Health Centre. Faith-Jason would like to see a bus drop off and pick up from the new Health Centre. The reason for this is that there is a steep hill

| | to the new Health Centre and many people struggle to walk it. This will ice | |
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| | up in the winter. Faith-Jason also mentioned that the shuttle buses are not | |
| | very reliable and that she had contacted them regarding a few different | |
| | things. They have not as yet responded | |
| | The chair of the IJB has emailed Faith-Jason and is awaiting the results of | |
| | the survey. | |
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| | The Forum resolved: | |
| | - Share this information as widely as possibe so that communities have a | |
| | chance to have their say with the new strategy. | |
| 4.Community Planning – Priorities | David had attended a meeting. David is keen to be able to engage more | |
| and views of communities: | with communities regarding community justice and see how they would | |
| | like to be included in the Strategy. | |
| | Faith-Jason attended a BPD meeting This was covered earlier. | |
| / Aboudoon Duochous Cuoun. | The Community Engagement Group asked Allan Riddle to come along to a | |
| -/ Aberdeen Prospers Group: | future meeting. | |
| Economic growth, infrastructure, | Tatale meeting. | |
| innovation and international links | | |
| -/ Integrated Children's Services: | | |
| Best start in life, safe, respected, | | |
| included, achieving | | |
| -/ Resilient, Included and | | |
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| Supported Group: Supported, safe, | | |
| included in communities, resilient | | |
| -/ Sustainable City: Built | | |
| environment, people friendly, | | |
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| accessible travel and transport | | |
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| -/ Alcohol and Drugs Partnership: | | |
| Increasing awareness, and support | | |
| for healthier lifestyles | | |
| -/ Community Justice: Improving | | |
| chances, reducing offending | | |
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| -/ Community Engagement Group: | | |
| Empowerment for and | | |
| engagement with communities | | |
| -/ Digital City Group: Digital | | |
| connectivity, access to information, | | |
| skills, innovation and education | | |
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| 5.Future Meetings – | Tuesday, 27th November 2018 from 7pm - Full meeting, including | |
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| 6. Any Other Competent | There was not Any Other Competent Business brought forward. | |
| Business | | |