



PROJECT UPDATE MARCH 2017

BERVIE BRAES ROAD (DF)

Awaiting response from Willie Munro and Phil Mackay, Aberdeenshire Council re weight limit and opening times.

Liaison meeting will take place on 24th March so updates will be made at the Trustee meeting on 28th March.

Ross Anderson, Aberdeenshire Council has been contacted re painting the barriers. They are a polyethelene plastic which is extremely difficult for paint to adhere to. Two top Marine and Industrial Paint suppliers are now in direct contact with Ross to progress.

The Bervie Braes Road Project is mentioned in the STP's Business Plan 2012 – 2015 and was also included in the Community Plan. There was also a comment in PfR that there should be better access for walkers and cyclists on Bervie Braes.

PLAN B

This project will be looked at again in January 2018

*The Plan B Project has been initiated as it was in STP's Business plan **SPORT AND LEISURE FACILITIES AT THE RECREATION GROUND SITE** – investigating the possibility of improved facilities at this site, alongside reviewing alternative locations. There were also several comments made by residents in the PfR exercise about this area of Stonehaven.*

FUTURE OF STONEHAVEN COURT HOUSE BUILDING (DF)

Scottish Courts and Tribunal Services Estates Committee have agreed the Business Plan. They are now awaiting ministerial consent.

The HLF application for grant funding has been declined. The subcommittee is looking for development funding from a number of other sources and will update the trustees at the meeting on 28th March.

This project falls into several STP's charity criteria. For example, to assist in the regeneration of the area through the improvement of the physical, social and economic environment in order to:

- *Manage community land and associated assets for the benefit of the Community and the public in general;*
- *Advance Community development, including urban or rural regeneration within the community;*
- *Advance environmental protection or improvement including preservation, sustainable development and conservation of the natural environment, the maintenance, improvement or provision of environmental amenities for the community and /or the preservation of buildings or sites of architectural, historical or other importance to the community.*

IMPROVING OUR TOWN CENTRE (JS) (Including the Board walk and Harbour Illuminations)

Meeting was held on 16th March at Viewmount



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Seagulls – Aberdeenshire Council might be able to fund the egg removal. Cones/traffic management will also have to be factored into the cost when the work is carried out.

J Stephen spoke of a project to erect Xmas lights along the harbour front. It was not possible to string the lights from the lampposts as they are too far apart, but he had property owners' permission to run the lights along the front of their buildings. However, the Street Lighting Team had objected as each town in Aberdeenshire is to have Christmas lighting in one place only and this is currently in Market Square. Residents are able to put up their own lighting.

Linda Moffat gave a talk on the Stonehaven Keep it Clean campaign she is running through Facebook. The group were supportive of the work she was doing.

Tap at Harbour slip – nothing further to report

IM gave feedback about the funding for the signage.

Feedback is required from the trustees on 28th March as to what they would like to see on the sail barriers in Market Square.

This project commenced due to comments that were made by residents at the PfR exercises. Comments were made about Town Centre signage, the appearance and upkeep of some of the buildings in the Centre and the seagull nuisance.

STP were approached by Stonehaven Business Association to assist with Christmas lighting in the old town and the harbour area.

FORMER GAS WORKS SITE (MW)

Nothing further to report until after the liaison meeting on 24th March

This project resulted from comments made in the PfR exercises about the lack of parking in Stonehaven in general and specifically the lack of parking in the Auld Toon during busy times.

LAND TRAIN (MW)

Route has been agreed by VOSA. Sponsorship has been received from the following groups and local businesses: Charles Michie Chemist, Friends of the Open Air Pool, Tolbooth Museum, Ali Bali, Ali Bali B, A Wee Bawbee, Scallywags, Duncan and Todd, Caravan and Motorhome Club, The Ship Inn, Mojo Taxis, Arduthie House, Howdens Joinery and Dunnottar Castle.

The land train will begin the summer season on 1 April. The facebook page and the web site will be updated regularly www.stpweb.org and www.facebook.com/stonehavenlandtrain

As above this project came about by comments that were made during the PfR exercises that the STP undertook in 2012. It also fits in well with the STP's SCIO objectives by assisting in the



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regeneration of Stonehaven by bringing tourists into the Town from Dunnottar Castle and was mentioned in the STP's Business Plan of 2012 – 2015 to ease parking congestion in the Town

CRUISE SHIPS (JR)

STP have been included in the CruiseAberdeenshire network. Scottish Enterprise and VisitAberdeenshire, who are partners with Aberdeen Harbour on the CruiseAberdeenshire Steering Group, will be sending an update email soon.

This project was brought to the STP by a Community Group and is being considered jointly by an STP trustee and a member of the Rotary Club of Stonehaven.

OTHER ITEMS

QEII CARAVAN PARK (DF)

The caravan park has now opened with new wardens.

CYCLING PROJECT (SA/JR/JS)

Nothing further to report

GRANDE PROMENADE (JR/JS)

The inaugural meeting of the steering group was held on 13th March. The Meeting notes have been circulated to the trustees.