

## Minutes of Meeting - Collieston Harbour Group –26 August, 2013.

Present	Meg and Mike Wallace Anne and Anthony Craig Dave Stewart Lewis Cowie Trish Cowie Robin Mackie John Proudlock Roger Berl Susan Taylor
Apologies	Isobel Davidson Sally Sheehan Iain Taylor Rob Merson Even Cowie
Post of chairperson	<p>Andrew Couper was unable to attend this meeting and gave a folder of correspondence, a memory stick with relevant information and a spare collection box and key for the pier parking meter donation. The members present expressed their gratitude for the work that Andrew has done over the years.</p> <p>Susan Taylor then asked for nominations for the post of the chair and Lewis Cowie proposed Dave Stewart and it was seconded by Roger Berl. Dave Stewart accepted graciously. The group decided that it was best to have an advance Agenda and that the minutes were to be read out and approved at the subsequent meeting. Susan Taylor asked if there were any offers for the post of secretary and as there was no immediate offers would continue meantime. Susan has been having difficulty converting the minutes to PDF format and will liaise with Trish Cowie and Dave Stewart to improve this recording of the minutes on the Collieston website.</p>
Fund Raising Report	<p>Dave has received £330 as a donation for pier restoration work and has passed this to Huib Attema, treasurer for our community account. From various events and the sale of merchandise, a further £1400 was collected but £400 of that will be retained to buy further merchandise. The Multi Terrain Run raised a further £600. Plans are on- going for a fund raising dinner, probably in the spring.</p> <p>The group agreed that it would be helpful if we were to have a more regular financial update from Huib. This would facilitate our on- going purchases for cement etc.</p> <p>The craft fair is booked for November 10, 2013 hopefully in the Community Hall. If this is not possible due to the renovation work it will be held in the Slains Primary School.</p> <p>Dave, Chris and Sally are still waiting for the full survey report so that they can progress with the applications to the larger funding bodies.</p> <p>Alan Whyte has finished the Collieston Pier calendars with funding support from an Aberdeenshire Council art grant. They should be available soon for overseas posting if required.</p> <p>John Proudlock found a Seaside Towns regeneration fund in a BBC news report. This grant money is to be extended and is backed by the crown estates.</p> <p>Dave will track the progress of this new funding option.</p>
AOCB	<p>Malcom Bruce MP is coming tomorrow to do a surgery in Collieston. Dave will attend and put our case forward for support for the pier restoration.</p> <p>The Collection Box and the Parking Donation Box on the pier needs emptying regularly. John Proudlock offered to do this.</p>

	<p>Concern was expressed that there is now as of Sunday a boat parked on the access ramp onto the beach. This breaches the Harbour Regulations and the owners will be asked to remove the boat after 1 week if it is not removed in that time.</p> <p>The derelict boat on the boatie shore is in a dangerous state and is a public danger. The owner of this boat will be asked to remove this derelict boat within 14 days by letter.</p>
Date of Next Meeting	September 30, 2013. 730pm at the Community Centre