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BERVIE BRAES ROAD (JR)

Barriers - nothing further to report

Axle weights of the locomotive and the carriages – IM is working with Aberdeenshire Council to get an exemption for the land train for the 2018 season.

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 – Nothing further to report.

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)

Funding has been applied for from LEADER, Aberdeenshire Council Area Committee Budget and Auquhirie Wind Farm. Decisions will be made in August. The Charity Bank has been approached to establish whether they will cover any shortfall.

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 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)

Seagulls

The 2nd visit has taken place with over 100 eggs been destroyed in the nests over both visits. There is one further visit planned this year. The visits were funded by the Area Committee Budget and Environmental Health.

Funding

Money for the boardwalk signs and orientation signs has been made available by Aberdeenshire Councils Area Committee Budget and the signs will now be ordered.

Sail Banners

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IM will prepare a draft letter to be sent to all the groups in Stonehaven to ask for funding for the new sail banners. Diane Strachan from Aberdeenshire Council will get quotes for art work of the sail banners.

Deep Clean of Town Centre This will take place before the school holidays.

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 (JS)

Nothing further to report on this.

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 (JS)

The land train has been running every weekend and during the week for private hires.

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 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)

A letter has been sent to Fred Olsen to gauge their interest in coming to Stonehaven.

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 (SA)

Further work is being carried out regarding the siting of the tents at the Caravan Park.

CYCLING PROJECT (SA/JR/JS)

Nothing further to report

GRANDE PROMENADE (JR/JS)



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The feasibility study for phase 1 of the project will take place in July.

BEACH TOILETS (JS)

STP are currently waiting for confirmation of current costs from the Business Association.