



PROJECT UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2016

BERVIE BRAES ROAD (DF)

Nothing further to add – awaiting response from Aberdeenshire Council

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 2017

*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 a number of 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 have bumped the Business Plan from 4 committee meetings. Their next meeting is to be held on 20th September. This has delayed some funding by 3 months which will have to be reapplied for. The delay will enable more work to be carried out by STP.

This project falls into a number of 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)

IOTC – nothing further to report.

Harbour Illuminations – nothing further to report

Boardwalk – nothing further to report

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)



PROJECT UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2016

STP have been asked to look at this again. Waiting to hear back from Aberdeenshire Council at present.

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)

The Stonehaven Land Train has taken over 5000 passengers on the tour this year and is still taking bookings from groups. This year has been a great success.

It is running most days in September whether permitting and will then run at weekends in October and over the "tatty holidays" www.facebook/stonehavenlandtrain or www.stpweb.org

The facebook page and the web site will be updated regularly www.stpweb.org and www.facebook/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 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)

Nothing further to report.

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

OTHER ITEMS

QEII CARAVAN PARK (DF)

Sales revenue continue to increase. Opening date for 2017 start brought forward 2 weeks as result of demand. New wardens this season have been superb. Aberdeenshire Council have asked for review, scheduled for 1st Nov. Purpose of review unknown.

CYCLING PROJECT (SA/JR/JS)

SA has been in contact with Claudia Stuerck at Aberdeenshire Council she is a Strategy Development Officer in Infrastructure Services. She's been involved in the current Integrated Travel Towns initiative:

<https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/transportation/integrated-travel-towns>

Stonehaven is earmarked to be in the second tranche of towns for this and consultations will start early next year. She is keen to come to the Trustees October meeting and talk through some of the ideas that have been implemented in other areas.