

Chairman's Notes

Hope you all manage to chill out over the festive season but it's not due to the weather!

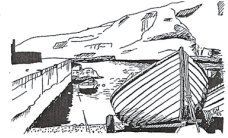
Local Development Plan This is now out for consultation and a copy of the plan can be found in the Library and on Aberdeen City's Website. It contains their proposals for land that is to be made available for development. In our area they have targeted the whole of the Loch of Loirston area which will be rezoned from Green Belt and made available for the construction of a stadium for Aberdeen FC and 1,750 new houses. We are totally opposed to these major developments which will have a detrimental effect on our community and result in the loss of our last green belt site with its District Wildlife Site and valuable use as a recreational area. If you agree with us please help by submitting your own objections to the proposed rezoning of this land for development on the forms available at our library before the closing date for objections on 17 December 2010.

Wellington Road / Old Wellington Road Junction Improvements have been carried out on this dangerous junction with the installation of traffic lights and a 40mph speed limit. Hopefully this will make it much safer, more user friendly and reduce the amount of traffic using Earn's Heugh Road to avoid the junction. If you have any comments please forward them to us.

Allotments Nether Loirston Growers Association has been formed. They have agreed their own constitution, are working on their business plan and involved in the layout of the site. Aberdeen Forward has been engaged to project manage the construction of the allotments whilst a Planning Application and request for the Lease of the land have been submitted to the City Council. In addition thanks are due to the Balmoral Group who has offered to donate water storage tanks and also to a local solicitor for pro bono legal services. So its all systems go with hopefully the first crops appearing in autumn next year.

Christmas Festivities

Come along and support the local youth groups in our annual **Christmas**



Concert on Sunday

5 December at Loirston Primary School between 5.00 and 6.00 pm and then join us immediately afterwards for a hot drink and a nibble at the switching on of the Christmas Tree lights.

Cove in Bloom Why not make it a New Year Resolution to give us a few hours of your time to brighten up and make Cove a more attractive place to live in.

Chronicle Delivery We still urgently need somebody to deliver the Chronicle to part of Old Cove so if you can help please give us a call.

AFC Proposed New Stadium We submitted our objections to the Planning Application for the stadium to be located at the Loch of Loirston and now because it is a major development and a significant departure from the current Local Plan have been offered the opportunity to appear and make our case at a Departure Hearing in the Town House on Friday 14 January. All of you who submitted an objection should also receive an invite so try and go along and make your views known.

Cove Rangers - Allan Park We have received notification from Stewart Milne that they intend to submit a Planning Application for housing on Allan Park. We will be objecting to this as we feel that it should be retained as a Community Facility.

Thanks I'd like to take this opportunity to give my thanks to all those involved in the production and delivery of the Chronicle. Without you there would be no Chronicle. It is truly a Community effort of which we should be proud.

Finally, may I wish all of you the very best during the festive season and in 2011

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