

Burghead and Cummington Community Council

Minute of regular meeting held at Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday 1st September 2016

Present: Billy Davidson, Jim Patterson, Joan Megson, Gilbert Farquhar, Les Taylor, Jennifer Walker, Kelly Croudace, Hilary Gloyer.

In attendance: Councillor Chris Tuke, and Jane Martin, Community Council Liaison Officer.

Apologies: Community Warden Tim Betts,

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30

The police were not present at the meeting.

Adoption of minute of previous meeting:

Proposed by: Jim Patterson

Seconded by: Gilbert Farquhar

John Gordon has resigned as Secretary, and has resigned from BCCC. There was a vote of thanks to John for his years of service.

We now need to find a new committee member, and a new Secretary. The Secretary does not have to be a member of BCCC. We will let the community know through the Northern Scot.

Mollie Fraser's husband sent a card to BCCC thanking the CC for donations to Mollie's charities.

The replacement for Mollie will be Rosie Craig, by co-option.

Jane Martin introduced herself as the Community Council Liaison Officer, having taken over from Tracy Rae.

She raised some issues:

- Minutes for BCCC are needed from April 2016. Most CCs send draft minutes as soon as they are available, and send an update if the minutes change. **Action:** Joan to send.
- Re communication: Jane will email all BCCC members until a new secretary is in place.
- Complaints procedure training sessions will be held in September, October, and November, and emails will be sent out.
- The Annual Accounts for BCCC up to 30th September 2016 are needed soon. **Action:** Jennifer.
- Budget consultation exercise. Officers are available for this if we wish to hold an event. Contact Jane.
- Co-options: Jane can organise this.
- Problems with getting replies from Moray Council: Jane asked to be copied on emails so she can chase up.
- JCC meetings are held every quarter, with the next one being on 10th November.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

A letter has been received about part of Dunbar Lane being overgrown. This was followed up with the Lands and Parks department, who have said they can't do anything as it is not under Council ownership. Billy will contact Community Justice. **Action:** Billy.

It was noted that there is a poor pavement surface on the corner outside the Post Office, and falls have been reported. Billy will phone the Roads department, and Councillor Tuke will follow up. No response from Council yet.

Concern was expressed about obstruction of the road around the Bowls Club and football pitches during matches. Car owners are requested to park responsibly and park further away where the roads aren't blocked. If parking is dangerous the police should be contacted. Jane will talk to Kevin McPherson to see if he can help us. **Action:** Jane

School closures are reported to be possible by the press. At August's meeting Councillor Tuke stated that there are no plans to close schools and that there is a moratorium on closures for the next three years (although moratoriums can be overturned). £58 million is apparently needed. Councillor Jarvis gave a presentation to the JCC, and Jane will send minutes from this meeting for our information. **Action:** Jane

The Council Budget Consultation exercise was discussed. We will put details on the Facebook site (**Action:** Joan) and we may organise an event in Burghead. (**Action:** Billy?). The draft budget will be out in November.

Two drain tops are missing in Dunbar Street. **Action:** Gilbert to contact the Council.

Bus stop placement. There will be a meeting on 15th September re placement. **Action:** Les

Dan Ralph has requested planning permission for a crematorium. There were no objections from BCCC.

Being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday October 6th 2016 at 7.30pm

To be held at the Harbour Office, Burghead

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