

Burghead and Cummingston Community Council

Minute of regular meeting held at Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday 6th July 2017

Present: Billy Davidson, Rosie Craig, Abby Main, Les Taylor, Jim Paterson, Joan Megson, Jennifer Walker, Gilbert Farquhar

In attendance: Jeff Gable and Kirsten Garstang

Apologies: Hilary Gloyer, Kelly Croudace

The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30

Adoption of minute of previous meeting:

Proposed by: Les Taylor

Seconded by: Abby Main

Police Report

Nothing to report for Burghead

Cuppa Club Moray.

Jeff Gable is the co-ordinator for the Cuppa Club, which aims to support and inform those who are carers of people who have learning disabilities and are also showing signs of dementia. He would like to find out who this affects in Burghead and get his details to them. BCCC committed to getting information out, possibly through the Ball Group. Note: there is now information in the PO, chemist, and Library.

Dog fouling.

Kirsten Garstang spoke about severe dog fouling problems around Dunbar Street and Dunbar Lane. Kirsten had a meeting with Tim Betts, the community Warden, who will spend a day in Burghead, put up signs, and put up CCTV.

We agreed with Kirsten that the problem was severe, and no remedies have yet been found. We agreed that a fine for dog fouling in Burghead would make a big difference, and resolved to ask the Community Warden and police why there have been no convictions to date, and why there is no need for a dog licence.

Jeff Gable and Kirsten Garstang then left the meeting.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

New Council

BCCC expressed their disappointment that no councillors were present.

Cemetery Car Park

Ken Kennedy will be putting up signs to ask for no parking, but there is no way to stop this. He will also move the stone from the bottom of the cemetery but this has not happened yet

Ship to Ship transfers

The Burghead Headland Trust had a succesful Big Watch weekend in June, with Cromarty Rising, WDC, and other organisations attending and giving talks and information. The latest news on ship to ship transfers is that Cromarty port is expected to make an application later in the year for ship anchoring only. This would still be bad for the fishing industry

Grass Cutting

This doesn't seem to be happening enough. This is especially problematic at the playing fields for the football teams that play there.

Community Garden

The new vegetable plots are being taken up and are very succesful. (Funding from Money for Moray). There have been some recent instances of vandalism to the table tennis equipment and other play material, which is very disappointing. We have contacted the Community Warden and are considering CCTV.

Masonhough Road

A request was made for a sign to warn of Children playing. Les has contacted James Smith and a sign has been made saying this is a traffic calming area, and will be erected soon.

Youth Club Account

Transfer of funds is being organised.

Pier Shed

There have been complaints about the rickety shed at the Harbour. The Council will take this down soon if the tenant doesn't.

Community Emails

The number of emails sent can be overwhelming at times. Les has agreed to get in touch with Jane Martin. All will be sent to him and he will pass on relevant emails to the rest of the BCCC members.

Community Wardens

It was noted that there seems to be less presence than before.

Community Defibrillators

There has been lots of talk about defibrillators for community use. There is one at the Scot-mid shop in Burghead.

Jim talked about the Sandpiper system: when there is a suspected heart attack trained users are paged at the same time as the ambulance services, and if they get to the patient before the ambulance they will use a defibrillator if required.

Community Council Re-election

It was discussed who wishes to be staying for another term. Hilary and Kelly are standing down. There will be an election for a new Community Council, and it was agreed that it would be good to get younger members to widen the age range. We will start talking to and persuading people we believe would contribute positively.

Moray Growth Deal

Billy and Jim attended a meeting on the Moray Growth Deal – it's difficult to judge the chance of success when the measures to be taken were not communicated.

Five year vision for Burghead

Jim talked about involving the community in a five year vision – what does Burghead need, and how do we go about it? Jim and Joan to take this forward with the new Community Council.

A96 dualling

Jim gave feedback on the latest on the possible A96 dualling routes.

Dunbar Lane

BCCC wish to thank Donald Campbell for strimming the problem area in Dunbar Lane.

Being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.24 pm

**Date of next meeting: Thursday 7th September 2017 at 7.30pm
To be held at the Harbour Office, Burghead**