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The Joint Community Councils of Moray

The Joint Community Councils of Moray (JCC) is a non-statutory organisation which was originally formed as a vehicle that enabled Moray Community Councils to meet to air problems and exchange information on what was taking place in the different Community Council areas.

In 1999, the JCC became one of the original partners in the Community Planning process in Moray. As Community Planning progressed over the years the JCC became more heavily involved and it was felt that to maintain credibility as more Partners took part in Community Planning there was a need for the group to become more formal so the JCC became constituted in 2005.

The JCC attempts to relay the views of its Members in all areas of Community Planning as a full partner and is represented on the Community Engagement Group.

Also, when an issue is raised that affects a number of Community Councils, or indeed is Moray-wide; the JCC will represent the Moray Community Councils with a single voice to the Scottish Government through continued contact with MSPs over the years.

Joint Community Council meetings take place quarterly but if necessary a special meeting may be called to discuss / resolve a time-limited issue. It has become customary for Community Council Members to have two representatives at meetings but more are always welcome.

The JCC attempts to have an interesting visitor to speak at meetings when possible and Elected Members are also welcomed. Further details including meeting dates can be obtained from the Community Council Liaison Officer.

See more information at www.moray.gov.uk/communitycouncils and clicking links to JCC.

Representatives will be nominated to attend meetings (4 per year) and provide feedback and two-way communication between their Community Council and JCC.

The JCC also have a role in Stage 2 Investigation of Community Council complaints and can assist in mediation. See **Section 4** for more information.