

# Burghead and Cummington Community Council



## **DRAFT Minutes of regular meeting held in Burghead Community Hall Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**Present:** Jim Patterson (JP) (Chairman), Abbey Main (AM),  
Ryan More (RM), Les Taylor (LT) Joan Megson (JM) Jennifer Walker (JW),  
Hannah Morris (HM)

**In Attendance:**

Councillors: John Cowe (JC), Liz McKnockiter (LM) Jane Benson (JB) (otb)

**Apologies:** Danielle Slater (DS), Debra Duke (CCLO) Community Council Liaison Officer,  
Councillors Neil Cameron (NC) Bridget Mustard (BM)

**1. Police Update**

No representatives of Police Scotland were present. Report was circulated prior to the meeting. (When possible police will attend future meeting)

**2. Guest Presentation**

No guest presentation.

**3. Minutes of meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

The minutes were approved as a correct record. (LT) (RM)

**4. Matters Arising from minutes**

**Closure of doctors' surgery:**

The Moray Council Integration Joint Board (IJB) meeting had taken place on the 26<sup>th</sup> May. Conclusion: 8 recommendations that were approved unanimously will now go to consultation for ratification. (This was discussed at great length during the meeting with an outcome that the BCCC would petition against the closure of a Burghead Surgery CC Abbey Main was asked by the Chair to come up with a draft process to move the petition forward)

**Burghead & Cummington Resilience Group:**

A grant application has been completed and forwarded to SSE for a range of equipment and for the electrical cabling and associated equipment so that the Burghead village hall can be used during power outages. If successful we should know towards the end of July 2022. Still awaiting outcome of the Grant application. A storage facility is still needed for the equipment if we are successful.

## **Path and steps at Headland:**

Moray Council had been requested to carry out a safety evaluation of the steps and path, the location has been identified as Council land. Awaiting conclusion (JP) will request feedback on results. Councillor John Cowe and Neil Cameron will chase up.

This request was place with the Moray Council in the beginning of February 2022, that same month we received an email stating that the mentioned land was on the Harbours account so the query was forwarded to the Transport Manager. Since then several requests for an update have been sent, nil returns. Councillor John Cowe would chase up on the progress.

## **Position of secretary on the BCCC**

Is still to be filled, training if required can be given.

## **5. Correspondence Received**

Email from Hanna Marriot Burghead resident has agreed to join the BCCC as a co-opted member.

Email from owner of the land about Cummington saying someone has deliberately cut the fence, they have informed the police.

Email from our current Accountant and Community councillor Jennifer Walker has informed us that she intends standing down in September after the annual audit. (Anyone interested in this position will get training if required which is currently being offered).

Email from Senior Education and Engagement Outreach Officer (Scotland) Chamber and Participation Team offering free workshops - These sessions last around an hour and can be held virtually or in-person depending on your group's needs.

Email from regarding "Public Participation at the Scottish Parliament, stating we want to make sure that the Scottish Parliament's work involves, reflects and meets the needs of the full range of communities it represents".

Email from Burghead resident regarding installation of secure gating to prevent further use of illegal parking on the Burghead playing field. This has been forwarded to Moray Council to evaluate and action.

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## 6. **Community Feedback**

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(LT) Said there were concerns regarding large lorries and sometimes artic sized with trailer entering the village side road. He said that consideration for specific signage should be looked at. Moray Council had been requested to look into this. The return was that the large vehicles are needed to replenish businesses and shops within the village, however if there were specific streets that are of concern they would look further into some form of signage. (LT)

## 7. **Reports**

- a. **Local Councillor(s)**
- b. **Community Council Sub Group(s) (Nil)**

## 8. **Planning Issues (Nil)**

## 9. **The Joint Community Council (JCC) of Moray**

### **Energy Fair**

The Energy Fair took on the **25<sup>th</sup> June in Elgin Town Hall**

It was well attended, with guest speakers including Richard Lochhead MSP giving a talk on the Just Transition Fund. The stalls covered: Saving Energy, Grants for Insulation and Heating, Renewable Energy, Green Jobs and Community Renewable Energy Schemes.

### **Speeding in the Communities**

Following the last Joint Community Council (JCC) meeting it was agreed that it would be useful if the speeding in the communities Sub Group could be re-established as this is a problem in most areas of Moray and beyond. (AM) & (JM) agreed to look into this with reference to being part of the Sub Group.

Next JCC Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> August

## 10. **AOCB**

Les Taylor (LT) Mentioned the possibility of enlarging the platform that enables swimmers and canoeists and similar sporting activities into and exiting from the sea. Also mentioned was the possibility of positioning 3 benches on the grassed area close to Station Garage, the reason being is that the elderly and those with mobility aids/problems cannot access the current seats on the esplanade due to the height difference between the grass and the walkway. The cobbled walkway is also difficult for some due to its uneven surface.

This topic led the discussion into the esplanade in general and what was needed to enhance the area generally for the community and public. It was suggested maybe asking the community for suggestions and maybe looking into a 5-year plan. Questions were asked around which group should do this and also liaise with the authorities and others to get funding. To be continued:

**Jane Benson from outsidethebox (otb) will assist this group with development support and through the channels of the possible funding initiatives.**

(LT) Put forward proposal that Liz McKnockiter be co-opt back onto the BCCC, it was seconded by (AM). No objections.

Another name was put forward, since the meeting has confirmed that he would like to be accepted onto the BCCC. Person is Jamie Campbell resident of Burghead.

**The meeting in August will not take place.**

**11. Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> September) 7pm – 9pm in Burghead Community Hall.**

TBD  
Stand in Minutes  
Secretary.  
Jim Patterson

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The Moray Council Website [www.moray.gov.uk](http://www.moray.gov.uk) > Community > Community Councils > Burghead and Cummington  
[http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\\_standard/page\\_60801.html](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_60801.html)

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**101**

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**Antisocial Behaviour - 01343 563134  
antisocialbehaviour@moray.gov.uk**

If the police are not informed of problems they cannot act and if crimes are not reported then there are implications with regard to police staffing levels.