

Buckie and District Community Council

Date: 23rd May 2023
 Time: 7pm
 Venue: Ace Winches, Victoria Park, Buckie
 Attendees: Chair- Allan Paterson (AP), Alison Durno (AD), Ann Mitchell (AM), Beverley Wood (BW), Ailsa Foulds (AF), Mandy Walker (MW),
 Apologies: Treasurer- Christine Allan (CA), Cllr. Sonya Warren (SW), Cllr John Stuart (JS),
 Not present: Cllr. Neil McLennan (NM), Secretary- Stephanie Lindsay (SL), Ross Ingram (RI)

Public present: Katrina Adams (William Mair Funeral Directors)

Minutes of Meeting

Agenda Item	Discussed	Follow up / Action by
Approval of previous meeting minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April meeting minutes approved by AP & MW 	
Guest Speaker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP has contacted the Community Policing email address twice but no reply. AP visited Buckie Police Station and was asked to contact email address again – did so and awaiting response. Trying to organise a quarterly policing report. 	AP
Community Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Residents concerns over bridge over Buckie Burn at Munro Way; ownership still to be established at MC Residents have pointed out that housing developments still have unfinished kerbs and walkways/paths. AP will get pics and forward to MC for feedback. MW raised the issue of broken glass and empty vape containers throughout the town – becoming a big issue with litter everywhere and very visible. AF raised issue with Newlands Lane toilet – condition of toilet raised last meeting also – heard there was grant given to Moray Reach Out pre-COVID but location of grant unknown. AF will check in with Moray Reach Out re. grant. AM has residents asking about the progress with dropped kerbs throughout town and lack thereof. AM raised issue with vacant commercial property at Main Street – infestation of rats and other vermin and neighbours of property have concerns as they're properties are seeing rats in gardens etc. AM stated that residents are complaining about the grass cutting around town – grass is being left all around the town, on roads, gutters, in parks – very untidy job. 	AP AF AM
Elected Councillors Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No councillors present 	

<p>Cost of Living – Actions being undertaken</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AD confirms that Community Larder is still going strong every Thursday 2-2.30pm at Victoria Lounge – donations welcome. AF states that Hub has stopped receiving food donations from Co-op. AF confirms that Hub will now be able to issue £25 emergency vouchers through referrals. Salvation Army continues with lunches and other services every Wednesday. The Hub continues to be busy and well used. 	
<p>Treasurers Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treasurer CA not present: Admin account: £18,006.79 (includes £9,317.14 for CRP) SSE micro grant: £343.97 CC fund: £1,426.10 	
<p>Community Resilience Planning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP continues to work on CRP and has met with Rhona McNicol at MC and Jaco Boonzaaier: A leaflet will be sent out next month to Buckie & District residents for volunteers to take part in CRG plan. Further meetings will take place to add information into CRP. CC members asked for CRP volunteer leaflets to be distributed. 	<p>AP</p> <p>AP</p>
<p>Community Council Groups & initiatives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AP points out that CA is in the process of chasing up significant funding previously awarded from SSE, but unclaimed, re. cycle & walking path signage. Encouraged CC members to assist CA in the process. BW will assist CA. AP contacted Judith Binney from Forres Active Travel – Group has just been set up, outside of Forres CC, and is focussed on getting <i>“those with trailers and trikes as well as wheelers in buggies and chairs, off the roads and away from traffic”</i>. She can come to Buckie CC meeting after summer to discuss their plans. AP will arrange. AD stated that progress continues with harbour development – foundations laid for new OW office – Moray Council are responsible for weigh bridge, and it continues to be used although may not be fit for purpose – harbour remains busy at present with boats and activity. AM confirms next SSE Beatrice meeting on 8th June 2023 – BDCC application for funding has been submitted. AD – Wellbeing Hub is ongoing – can provide training for PTSD, mental health / suicide awareness – See FB page. 	<p>CA, BW</p> <p>AP</p> <p>AM</p>
<p>Planning Applications - responses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It appears there continues to be a legacy email address list and old addresses still receive the weekly wards email. AP proposes to send new public email address to MC and then distribute to members from there. AD raised issue of some planning applications being approved through Aberdeenshire planning – BDCC may need to receive both Aberdeenshire and Morayshire planning weekly wards list. 	<p>AP</p>
<p>Correspondence to note</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Buckie & District CC email address for public: info@buckieCC.org 	

AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP will now record minutes during meeting and will include follow up and actions. This will be distributed to CC members following meeting to enable members to follow up or action areas of responsibility. • AP checks if all members can use their new CC email addresses. Can help with setting up on computers/tablets/laptops. Really important that everyone starts using official CC email so as not to miss communication. • Further action on delivering a CC website is needed, AP will liaise with local developers to progress. AD can provide contact details of developers. KA suggested William Mair Funeral Directors may be able to help with website cost in form of sponsorship. • KA states that William Mair Funeral Directors (WFMD) are about to build a memorial garden, in partnership with Sands, Archie foundation & MISS – to support bereaved parents with memorial plaques. Issue with kids loitering around premises and proposed location for garden. • KA at WFMD will be starting Veterans breakfast club on Wednesdays – proposed start date July – location TBC. • RNLI looking for volunteers – KA to provide AD with details for posting on BDCC FB page 	AP AP AD
Date & Venue of next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20th June 2023 – 7pm Ace Winches Lounge, Victoria Park, Buckie 	

Community Council meeting closed at 2055hrs.

I declare this is a true and accurate record of the meeting:

Sign/initial:  AP



AM

Date: 23/05/2023