Burghead and Cummingston Community Council

DRAFT Minutes of regular meeting held in Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday 2nd April 2026, 7pm, Burghead Community Hall.

Present: Abbey Main (Chair AM), Jamie Campbell (Secretary JC), Keith Kingscott (KK), Ryan More (RM), Katie Lyons (KL), Billy Davidson (BD), Jane Benson (JB),

In Attendance: Councillors: Cllr James Allan, Cllr Neil Cameron, Cllr John Cowe

Apologies: Cllr Bridget Mustard BM, Debra Duke (DD), Myra Kingscott (MK), John Hogg (JH)

2. Minutes of Last Meeting:
RM and KK for March minutes
JB AM for Feb minutes

(i) Matters Arising from minutes
AM contacted about the two benches at the harbour which are not in a good state, BD to contact Dan Ralph to ask about repairs.
AM also approached by campervan parked long term down beside salmon green but it belongs to residents and nobody is staying in it, agreement was made that it was not actually a campervan but a minibus.

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(ii) Clavie - Mr Dan Ralph
Dan Ralph attended and updated the meeting on the correspondence he had had with the council, all agreed it was not satisfactory. Cllr Allan mentioned that this was not unique to Burghead and that the costs of these things had to be covered, Seafest in Lossie had also been affected, JC mentioned that this had been part of our community for hundreds of years and for some of the comments that has come from the council to be made shows the complete lack of understanding and respect for our heritage, it was agreed to try and organise a meeting which up till this point had been unsuccessful.

(iii) Defco Transmoray pipeline odour
A few more complaints very recently, AM attempted to get a hold of Donna but she is currently off, though there has been improvement we will follow this up.

(iiii) Moray flowpark
AM and JC have now come off the sub group as we are CCs, the plan is to print our own leaflets and send them out to people in the town. JB attended a training event and one of the planners there said not to do anything till we hear of more from the OSG group. Agreement to get a leaflet together, JB and JC to work on this for distribution.

3. Police Update

No report received as of yet.

4. Correspondence Received

Correspondence regarding the harbour shelter rates, we now have to complete the exemption form ourselves, AM to action this.

5. Reports

(i) Local Councillor(s)

Nothing to report, Cllr Cameron will ask again about a Police representative at CC meetings.

(ii) Community Council Sub Group(s) Sub committees Christmas Lights

Nothing to report

(iii) Finance - transactions since last meeting

Nothing to report.

6. Planning Issues

Nothing to report.

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7. The Joint Community Council (JCC) of Moray

The next meeting is to be held in May which JB hopes to attend as our representative.

8. AOCB

AM raised the benches at the pier, Dan Ralph and Billy Davidson will see to them. The Dredeger was also raised, a programme has been put in place with Burghead 2nd on the list at the end of April or start of May, the fishermen and others are happy with this and happier with the new official who is attending the meetings too. JC raised that the SSE resilience fund was open again and all agreed that we should look into applying again. KK mentioned the continuing issue of speeding in Cummingston. JB mentioned that the gardens were open to the idea of in memoriam benches. BD mentioned that with the new scheme starting at Station car park, all signs have been removed and yet no signs have been put up showing how to pay or anything, and the scheme is now live. BD also mentioned the unacceptable waiting times at Dr Grays, and with more housing due to be built this could only get worse, Cllrs mentioned that with any new scheme there had to be provisions for healthcare either funded or built alongside, it was felt that this was not going to alleviate the issues. All agreed the staff in the NHS do a fantastic job and should be thanked for everything they do under the circumstances. AM showed all the gifts bought for our Pharmacist Mark who is retiring. It will be presented tomorrow alongside a card expressing our thanks and anyone who is free is encouraged to attend.

There being no other business, the Chair declared the meeting to be closed.

Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting: 7 May 2025 7.00pm – 9.00pm in Burghead Community Hall.

Secretary
Jamie Campbell

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antisocialbehaviour@moray.gov.uk

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