

Burghead and Cummingston Community Council



Minute of regular meeting held at Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday 5th June 2014

Present: Billy Davidson, John Gordon, Mollie Fraser, Joan Megson, Hilary Gloyer, Jennifer Walker, Les Taylor, Kelly Croudace, Gilbert Farquhar, Chris Tuke, Community Warden Tim Betts and Sergeant Stephen Carmichael

Apologies: Shirley Munn

Adoption of minute of previous meeting

Proposed by: Gilbert Farquhar

Seconded by: Hilary Gloyer

Everyone welcomed our new local policing officer Sergeant Stephen Carmichael.

Police Report

For the period 28 April to 4 June 2014, only one crime was reported. This enquiry is still ongoing.

About 1530 hours on Thursday 1 May 2014, a school girl was struck with what is believed to have been a pellet fired from a BB gun by the occupant of a passing blue Volkswagen Golf motor car, after she had got off the school bus at Fraser Road, Burghead. The blue VW Golf was seen to head off towards St Aethan's Road.

Local Officers and specialist Roads Policing Unit Officers are continuing to give attention to local roads, including St Aethan's Road and the Burghead to Hopeman road.

Nightshift patrols in the Lossiemouth Community Policing Team area have been increased and residents are encouraged to immediately report any suspicious persons or vehicles, particularly in rural locations.

Anyone with any information on the crimes mentioned above and any crimes in the Lossiemouth Policing Area is asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or call in person at the Lossiemouth Police Office.

OPERATION CEDAR

On 14 May 2014, Operation CEDAR was launched across Aberdeenshire & Moray to increase road safety in the area. There will be a focus on addressing poor driving standards by means of education and enforcement where necessary. The key message, embodied within the operation title, is to **Challenge, Educate, Detect and Reduce**.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Neighbourhood Watch Scotland in association with the NFU, Gamekeepers Association and Police Scotland are currently devising a Farm Watch product based on existing good practice.

They advise that their website <http://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/> enables communities to set up a Neighbourhood watch area by giving guidance and direction. Further assistance can be gained from our local Community Safety Officer, Constable Thow, Elgin.

BURGHEAD AND CUMMINGSTON MICRO BEAT OFFICERS:

Sergeant Stephen Carmichael
Constable Steven Murray
Constable Werner Theron
Constable Mairi Page
Constable Andy Kerr
Constable Donald Matheson

Your team is based at Lossiemouth Police Office
Contact us: In a non-emergency – **101**

Community Policing issues can also be highlighted to your local micro beat officers using the E-mail address: HeldonLaichCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk

Community Warden Report

Dog fouling:

- No complaints in regards to dog fouling were received in this period.
- Patrols continue to target hot spot areas to detect and deter offenders.
- We continue to urge people who witness dog fouling to report it on 07800 670665.

Neighbour disputes and noise complaints:

- One complaint of a neighbour dispute was received in this period; this has subsequently been resolved.

Seagulls:

- Three complaints regarding people feeding seagulls have been received in this period; people have been spoken to and given advice in relation to seagulls.

Initiatives:

Litter initiative:

Community Wardens have been conducting patrols supporting the litter initiative run by the *Northern Scot* and Moray Council.

Clean Coastline Initiative:

Plans are currently being finalised for a clean coastline initiative to tackle and deter litter on the beaches between Roseisle and Lossiemouth this summer. This will include regular beach cleans, regular litter patrols and appropriate signage to encourage people to take their litter away with them, as well as warning them of the penalties if they fail to do so.

Dog fouling:

On 13th June pupils from Burghead Primary will be spray painting dog mess to draw attention to the issue in Burghead.

Concerns were raised regarding speeding motorists in Cummingston. Tim Betts will talk to Council re 30 mph flashing signs for Cummingston as it was felt these had made a difference. Speed ramps for the road down to Cummingston park was also brought up which Tim will also discuss with the Council. Johnny will write formal letter if required.

Matters arising from minute of previous meeting

Station Yard

A very successful meeting was held on Tues 3rd June. Lots of enthusiasm and ideas were discussed. A further meeting will be held at the Station Yard on Thurs 12th June to discuss the proposed ideas and how to move forward.

Coastal walk signage

The signs are all up now and looking great. Many thanks go to Lachlan Ralph for his hard work in putting these in place. Diageo have now removed the Stanchions and have laid a new path behind the Malting's. Thank you to Diageo and well done to Hilary for her continued work in this.

School Heating

Chris attended a meeting today with Nick Goodchild. Chris passed on proposed figures for the different options that are being discussed. Chris will continue to work on this and will keep us up to date.

Esplanade

A lower quote was found and new lighting has been ordered. There has been a delay with the order but it is hoped it will be in place by the Reaper weekend (5th July)

Moray Local Development Plan

John has sent a note of concern with regards to the green space at the Harbour.

Access to Burghead Beach

Mr Christie owner of the caravan park will fill in the holes on the pathway to the beach. Everyone agreed that this was very generous of Mr Christie and expressed their thanks.

Burghead Library

Books have now been exchanged and soon there will be space set aside with donated newspapers and magazines for people to enjoy.

Dial a Bus

Joan and Kelly have distributed leaflets. Joan will contact Dial a Bus to see what the usage is in Burghead to establish if more is needed to be done to publicise this service more.

Meeting with Lossiemouth CC

Another meeting is still being arranged as the original one clashed with the Burghead Amenities Association Meeting.

Clean Up Moray Campaign

A very successful afternoon was had on the 31st May. Everyone was pleasantly surprised and how clean our streets were but the main issues highlighted by the event were dog mess and cigarette ends. Tim will speak to the public bars and shops regarding the cigarette ends outside their establishments. Everyone who took part thought it was a great thing to do and that we

should have clean up days regularly. Joan and Shirley will look at this with the possibility of a small BBQ/Picnic at the end.

Any Other Competent Business

Cemetery/War Memorial

Everyone was delighted with the progress at the Cemetery and wished to thank Ken Kennedy for this. A thank you to previous Community Council Member Abby Main for his work in ensuring this was taken care of was also expressed by all.

While we were lead to believe that funding had been given with regards to replacing the railing at the War Memorial and railings were being sourced, this is not the case. Disappointment was noted. It is thought perhaps it could take up to 4 years for funding, Billy will contact Ken Kennedy regarding this to see exactly what is happening and why we are no further forward with this 1 year on.

Chemicals Work Site

Joan will write to Tullochs to see what is proposed for this site and the timescale for this. If it is going to be some time before any work is being undertaken she will suggest the possibility of perhaps a wild meadow meantime.

A3 Burghead Leaflets

There has been a delay in these. To prevent further delays Joan will email the proofs for approval instead of waiting till the next meeting.

Bank Building

A letter to Environmental Health will be written with regards to this building as there are very real concerns of the amount of dead pigeons and pigeon waste.

Being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday 7th August at 7.30pm.

To be held at the Harbour Office, Burghead