

Burghead and Cummingston Community Council



**Minute of regular meeting held at Burghead Harbour Office on
Thursday 7th August 2014**

Present: Billy Davidson, Hilary Gloyer, Joan Megson, Mollie Fraser, Kelly Croudace, Chris Tuke, Constable Tony Phillips

Apologies: John Gordon, Jennifer Walker, Shirley Munn, Gilbert Farquhar and Community Warden Tim Betts

Adoption of minute of previous meeting

Proposed by: Hilary Gloyer

Seconded by: Mollie Fraser

Police Report

For the period 5 June to 4 August 2014, six crimes were reported to Police for the Burghead and Cummingston area. These included instances of drink driving, theft, sexual offences, domestic incidents and disorderly conduct. Five of these crimes have been detected.

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 555111 or call in person at the Lossiemouth Police Office.

Billy commented on the number of people speeding through the main village, going both in and out of the village. It was also noted that there was a number of motorbikes going through the woods and round the loop past Roseisle. Constable Phillips will look into the speeding through the village and urged members of the community to report any sightings.

Mollie with agreement from Hilary mentioned cyclist whizzing past walkers. Although not a legal requirement, cyclists would be encouraged to ring their bell if they had one as a courtesy to alert walkers of their presence.

School Watch

Throughout the school holidays Police Scotland and Moray Community Wardens are participating in the School Watch initiative, aimed at reducing damage to local schools over the holiday period.

Community Warden Report

Anti-social behaviour and its causes are continuing to be targeted along with Police Scotland and other partners.

On the 13th June pupils from Burghead Primary participated in spray painting dog mess around Burghead to draw attention to the issue. There were 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.

Four complaints of neighbour disputes were received in this period; all have subsequently been resolved.

Seagulls: Five complaints regarding people feeding seagulls have been received in this period; people have been spoken to and given advice in relation to seagulls. We continue to encourage people not to actively feed the seagulls. Advice can be found by searching 'seagulls' on the Moray Council website.

Patrols of the beaches between Roseisle and Lossiemouth have been undertaken during the previous month and will continue through the rest of summer to detect and deter littering offences, especially during periods of hot weather. To help with this a beach clean is planned for Burghead on Saturday 9th August at 3pm.

In response to a number of concerns raised regarding cigarette butts a campaign in conjunction with NHS Grampian is being finalised to target smoking related litter. Posters will be installed throughout Moray area warning people that dropping cigarette litter can result in an £80 fixed penalty notice as well as providing details of NHS smoking cessation services. This will be backed up with zero tolerance patrols, with offenders being issued a fixed penalty for the offence of littering.

Anti-Social Behaviour can be reported to the Anti-Social Behaviour Team on 0800 5877197 directly to the Community Warden on 07800 670665 or timbetts@moray.gov.uk and via the online Anti-Social Behaviour Reporting Form accessed through the Moray Council website, www.moray.gov.uk

Matters arising from minute of previous meeting

Litter initiative

Joan and Shirley are to organise another Community Patrol litter initiative after the success of the last one.

Dog Fouling

It was noted that the Dog fouling bin at Bridge Street was covered by a bush. It was thought this was possibly part of the Caravan Park. This will be checked and if so a request will be put to the owner if the bush could be trimmed. Dog owners should be aware that as long as their Dog mess is tied up in a bag then this can be placed in any litter bin.

Station Yard

Another meeting with regards to the Station Yard will be held on Thursday 14th August. The fences have been cleared and measurements will be taken and new ones will be ordered. Work is ongoing but it was agreed that it's great to see things happening.

Esplanade

The lighting was replaced just in time for the Reaper weekend and they are great. Kelly will write a letter of thanks to Gary Templeton.

Burghead Library

Joan will be in touch with the Library with the idea of possibly holding exhibitions as a way of utilising the library and bringing more people into the Library.

Clean Up Moray Campaign

Joan and Shirley are still looking at suitable dates to hold another campaign. Someone was in touch with Joan asking if she could put up pictures of the effects litter has on wildlife. Everyone felt this was a good idea.

War Memorial

Billy has been in touch with Ken Kennedy, the funding that has been applied for is still open for applications. It may be next year before he will know the outcome of this. Billy has been in touch with the War Memorial Trust. He will apply for funding for the replacement of the railings and the memorial in Burghead and for repainting and renewal of the lettering to the memorial in Cummingston. Joan will take photos of both so Billy can include them with the application.

A3 Burghead Leaflets

Everyone was impressed with the finished article and they are being distributed to various places of interest.

Bank Building

The owners of the building have appointed someone local to organise the clearing of the building.

Being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting: Thursday at 7.30pm.

To be held at the Harbour Office, Burghead