Dyke Landward Community Council

Draft Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday 9th September 2026 at 7.30pm
Dyke Church Hall

Attendees: DLCC		**Attendees: Other**
Caroline McLeod (CM)	*Chairperson*	Paul McBain - councillor
Jackie Davidson	*Secretary*	Kathleen Robertson - councillor
Sheena Tulloch (ST)	*Minutes Sec.*	
Janet Grant (JG)	*Treasurer*	

Apologies:	
Apologies were received from Nikki Morrison, Owen Taylor and Callum Ross	

	Agenda Item	Action
1.	**Welcome** **CM** welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2.	**Public** No members of the public attended.	**For info**
3.	**Police Update & Community Safety Reports** There has been no report.	**For info**
4.	**Minutes of last Meeting** The draft minutes of 12th August 2026 had previously been circulated. Proposed: JD Seconded: CM	**For info**
5.	**a) New Bank Account Update** Nothing to report other than it is going well and proving easy to use. Making payments is very quick.	**For info**
	b) Social Media/Whatsapp Update CR and NM continue to share anything relevant on DLCC facebook page. CR intends to resign from DLCC at the end of December 2026 – CM has written to him thanking him for all his hard work. Members were asked to think about any possible replacements for CR.	**For info**
	c) Defib Training Update No further action on this. JD will email dates for training once she has contacted Sandra McKirdy.	**For info** **JD**
	d) Road Sign/Bridge Rails The 20/30mph road signs are still in place at the end of Darklass Farm road. KR suggested that the local resident who complained about them should feedback via the Moray Portal saying that he does not agree that the signs should be there and give a reason why. If he does not receive a reply he should email councillors for the area. JG agreed to pass this information on to him. The tree on the entrance to Dyke Village from the Brodie , which is obscuring the new 20mph sign on the right hand side of the road, has not yet been cut back. PM will email Nicola Morrison at MC about this matter. PM shared an email received from Debbie at MC regarding the railings at the Banarach Bridge. Measurements for replacement railings have been taken and the	**PM**

	repair will be undertaken when funding is available. This work is not in the revenue plan for this financial year, however the revenue package is currently out for tender and if sufficient funds are available the work may take place before the end of the financial year. If funds are not available it will be included in the revenue package for next year.	**For info**
	e) Dyke Hall Fee for Hire for Last Meeting The fee of £22.50 has been paid to Dyke and District Hall for hire for the August meeting when we were unable to access the Church hall.	**For info**
	f) Footpaths River/Broom of Moy Overgrown PM emailed about the grass and got a reply stating it had been cut. JD reported that the flood alleviation paths are totally overgrown and very narrow in parts. PM and KR will check if it is a core path and also suggested that the community ranger might deal with it with the help of a group of local volunteers.	**PM** **KR**
6.	**Treasurer's Report:** **Current total in bank:** £5308.43 **Reserve Fund**: £4658.10 **Working Fund**: £650.33 We have paid out £22.50 for the village hall hire and £4.25 account charge this month.	**For info**
7.	**Reports** **Local Councillors –** KR reported that there has been a lot in the headlines about Education and Attainment in particular with Moray being lowest authority in Scotland for exam results. The figures have not been great over the past 15 years, but there have been improvements. Moray's National 5 results have improved. Positive destinations for pupils have improved and primary school results are improving. A consultant has been appointed to review attainment in Moray. School Estate – this has been a burning issue for 30 years now. MC cannot afford to keep all the schools it has open and need to prioritise which schools to invest in over the coming years. MC has passed a framework which will allow discussion about the future of the school estate in Moray. Various options will be discussed. Public Sector reform – there has been a lot of discussion as to whether MC will continue to exist, or increase its borders. There is also discussion around making only 2 health boards in Scotland, and there is much speculation on all of these possible changes. KR and PM attended a Collaborative Leadership meeting.	**For info**
8.	**Planning Issues** Revise house design approved under ref 18/00833/APP for Plot 2 on land adjacent to The Cottage, Kintessack, Moray.	**For info**
9.	**Correspondence – JD issued all to committee members** Flow Park Survey – JD emailed all the information to Steve Arkley and has received his response which she will email to committee members. The date for responses to be submitted is now 8th October 2026. It was agreed that DLCC should submit a response. Findhorn Community Council has done a lot of work on this and we may want to contact Anne Skene about this. Forres Academy Turf-cutting ceremony – this will take place on Tuesday 15th September 2026. JD will forward the email with information to CM who may be able to attend.	**JD** **JD**

10.	**Broom of Moy Bridge** Bailey Bridge – JD and CM attended the meeting on Wednesday 26th August 2026 to represent DLCC. The meeting was well attended, well organised and well run. There was representation from Forres Community Council and local councillors. The issue has had good coverage in the Forres Gazette. The first survey of users of the bridge recorded 147 people. A committee has been formed which means they will be able to seek funding to repair/replace the bridge. The latest report states that the bridge has a life expectancy of 3-5 years.	**For info**
11.	**AOCB** None	**For info**
12.	**Date, time and venue of next meeting –** Wednesday 14th October 2026 7.30pm Dyke Church Hall – ST will not be able to attend and another member will take minutes in her absence.	**For info**

Meeting Closed at 9.05pm