

PORTKNOCKIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL
DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD Monday 10 August 2026

In attendance: Anne Anderson (Secretary - Minutes), Shirley Firth (Secretary – Correspondence), Alexandra Forsyth (Treasurer), John Going (Chair), Malcolm Winsor; Visitor x 1.

Action/
attention

- 1 **Apologies:**
Tracy Colyer (Councillor), Theresa Coull (Councillor), Donald Gatt (Councillor), Jade Tindall, Lillian Urquhart
- 2 **Police Update**
 - This has been received and circulated. It was agreed that the new format was informative and useful.
- 3 **Guest speaker:**
None
- 4 **Adoption of minutes of last meeting**
Proposed: JG. Seconded: MW.
- 5 **Matters Arising**
 - Flagpole Repair: a part has been ordered by the contractor, but the correct part is awaited. The grant from The Common Good Fund has been received to cover the cost of the repair. The pole will remain down until the part is received and installed.
 - Flagpole Flags: the Village Crest and the Saltire will be displayed from the flagpole once repaired
 - Flagpole Grass Cutting: this is the responsibility of TMC, however they have been unable to carry this out while the flagpole is down.
 - Macleod Park Fundraising: It has been clarified that TMC have no funds for this. Any fundraising would be for the community to instigate.
 - Harbour/Paddler Signage: The quote received from TMC for this was considered to be too expensive and well in excess of the amount the PCC could complete the task for. The PCC will therefore take responsibility for ordering and affixing the signage, bearing in mind (and where necessary, consulting with TMC on) any requirements of TMC in respect of regulations regarding placement.
 - Lap-Tops for Community Councils: TMC proposes offering availability of three lap-tops across all community councils but without any Microsoft Office software installed. It is unclear how such machines could be shared, or how useful they would be without the relevant software. The PCC will therefore continue to rely on use of office bearers hardware and software. It should be noted that the PCC does not currently have any lap-tops on loan or purchased by TMC.

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6 Correspondence Received

- Financial Year End: The PCC must agree to an external examiner for the accounts. This is in process.
- Fly Posting: TMC has agreed that the item's posted on the street lamp pole on Patrol Road were contrary to regulations and have been removed.
- Bowling Club Alcohol License Application: it was confirmed that a number of objections to this application had been lodged by the community on the grounds that there are already two licensed premises in the village and there is no perceived need for more. This information has been passed to the relevant committee at TMC in relation to the consultation on this matter.
- Core Paths Ranger: it is noted that this position is currently vacant and can be applied for via TMC.
- Abandoned Car on Cliff Terrace: TMC took the necessary action to have this vehicle removed. This has now been done.

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7 Treasurers Report

- Account balance: currently sits at: £3,711.45. This includes the sum of £1,410 from the Common Good Fund for repairs to the flagpole in addition to £626.28 being the first (of two) instalments of the admin grant.

8 Planning

- None relevant to the village.

9 Events

- none

10 Members/Elected Members Updates:

- Councillors were unable to attend tonight's meeting but DG supplied the information that he is looking into complaints regarding the road surface on Geddes Avenue.

11 Community Feedback

- The Circle: Complaints regarding the current state of the central area of Slater Crescent (The Circle) have been passed to TMC.
- 20 mph Signage: it has been raised that the flashing signage on entering the village from the Cullen side has not been altered to react to vehicles exceeding 20mph and is triggered only by those going in excess of 30mph. This raised other comments on inconsistencies in signage in other local areas leaving the motorist unsure of what speed limit they should be observing. TColyer (Cllr) agreed to raise this with the TMC Roads Department.
- Vehicle Obstruction on Mairs Street: a van has been reported as being parked inappropriately on Mairs Street. The matter will be passed to the Antisocial Behaviour team at TMC for investigation.
- Request for Planning Representative on PCC: a request has been made as to whether it is possible to have a representative on the TMC planning committee on the PCC. SF will contact DD at TMC regarding this matter.

T Colyer
(Cllr)

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12 **JCC**

- Next meeting is on 13th August

13 **AOB**

- none

14 **Next meeting** at 7pm on 14 September 2026 in the Macboyle Hall.

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