Burghead and Cummingston Community Council

DRAFT Minutes of regular meeting held in Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday 1st October 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 Neil Cameron, Cllr John Cowe, Cllr Bridget Mustard BM, Debra Duke (DD)

Apologies: Ryan More, Cllr James Allan

1. Minutes of Last Meeting:
Proposed by AM and seconded by KL

2. Matters Arising from minutes
No matters arising.

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3. Police Update
No report received as of yet.

4. Remembrance Sunday
Awaiting response from Free Church to see if they have a minister, road closure has been applied for too.

6. Weeds on Street
AM raised the weeds issue on the streets again and that it had been sprayed but so far there was no change. This would be monitored, Cllr Allan was able to secure a small amount of money from Forres budget to treat the moss on two blocks of the streets which is more than has been received so far albeit not enough for how bad they are. It was also stated that we have had mixed messages from different council departments.

7. Cemetery
AM also brought up the disgraceful state of the Cemetery, it seems to be a case of if it can't be seen from the road, it doesn't matter. This is unacceptable especially since the Council gets money to maintain the Commonwealth War Graves which are among the worst affected areas.

8. Clavie Update
There had been no further update as yet and all felt enough time had been given, Cllr Mustard whilst discussing this, did get a reply from Karen Greaves, who said that she was in discussion with the legal department over potential wording and will get back to us as soon as possible.

9. Resilience
A discussion was had about resilience funding and what we could use it for. DD said that it was possible for the resilience officer to attend the meeting if we would like her to assist, all agreed this was a good idea.

10. Correspondence Received

Correspondence regarding the traffic at the new Scotmid was raised, plans to be shared at the next meeting. AM raised that he had been contacted by a local who was looking to build a BMX Pump Track in Burghead to give the youngsters something to do and wanted our support. All agreed that it was a good idea and should be looked into further and asked AM to go back with further questions, it was made clear that this is something that we could support with but not take on ourselves.

11. Reports

(i) Local Councillor(s)

Cllr Cameron mentioned the FLOW Park press release with an E.I.A on its way, it was mentioned that one group had raised a rare seagrass as something that could be at risk if this goes ahead.

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

Nothing to report

(iii) Finance - transactions since last meeting

Nothing to report, however agreement was given for JC to purchase two wreaths for remembrance Sunday and for AM to pay £50 to the trumpet player at our rededication ceremony.

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12. Planning Issues

Nothing to report.

13. The Joint Community Council (JCC) of Moray

The next meeting is to be held on November 12th. JB gave an update on the last meeting where points including the following were raised: Seagulls, Rededication Ceremony, Keith Xmas Lights, SSEN Money and more.

14. AOCB
KK asked if it was possible to get the results of the speed review box that was in Cummingston - Cllrs to look into as it has not yet been published. There are concerns over damage to properties including vibrations from the cars speeding. BD raised the Macintosh fund, JC said that he and AM plan to go and see about this as it had gone quiet. BD also raised the waste disposal at the pier with the broken gate, it had still not been repaired, he would nail it shut if it was not fixed, this had been promised years ago. BD also raised the

issues with overcrowding at Dr Grays yet there are many more properties being built with no additional capacity at the hospital, there had been issues of people having to wait either in corridor beds or even in ambulances outside due to capacity issues. He asked why housing was getting approved without funding in place to accommodate all of these people. Cllr Mustard fed back that this responsibility falls with Service Delivery Health Board and when these schemes are built the house builders allocate funding for specific operations but this would not necessarily mean new surgeries or hospitals, there are rules which dictate what can and cannot be done and the Cllrs have little to no say over how this is decided. All acknowledged that there are issues with Dr Grays but that is a seperate issue that is not controlled by Moray Council, but is instead controlled by NHS Grampian. The council has no remit over the hospital nor can they instruct them to increase capacity. JB shared her apologies for the next meeting as she will be unable to attend.

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

Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting: 5 November 2026 7.00pm – 9.00pm in Burghead Community Hall.

Secretary
Jamie Campbell

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