# **Burghead and Cummingston Community Council**



# Minute of regular meeting held at Burghead Harbour Office on Thursday, 7 March 2019

**Present:** Billy Davidson (Chairman), Chris Tuke (Minutes Secretary), Abbey Main,

Gilbert Farquhar, Joan Megson, Kirsten Garstang, Jim Patterson, Rosie

Craig.

**Apologies:** Les Taylor (Secretary), Jennifer Walker (Treasurer),

Moray Councillors James Allan, Ryan Edwards & Amy Patience.

In Attendance: Moray Councillor John Cowe.

# **Adoption of minute of previous meeting:**

**Proposed by:** Abbey Main **Seconded by:** Gilbert Farquhar

## Police Report

No representatives of Police Scotland were present and no Police Report was available.

## **Matters Arising.**

#### **Burghead War Memorial**

Pointing of the Memorial and painting of the railings is now complete. The Chairman is to again make contact with Moray Council's Lands and Parks Department in order to arrange for new stone chippings to be placed. Burghead in Bloom have offered to pay for the materials and it is hoped that a Criminal Justice Team will do the groundwork.

## Planning Applications

At the previous Meeting, the Chairman questioned whether several current developments, in Burghead, had Planning Permission as he could not recall seeing them in the Weekly Lists. The Minutes Secretary said that all the examples given had been given the relevant Consents. However, with some being several years old, He was not able to verify that all had been included on the Lists.

#### Scam Phone Calls and E-mails

Scam phone calls and e-mails are still being received by numerous residents. Everyone is reminded to remain vigilant and not to disclose personal information.

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#### **Brown Bins**

From 1 April 2019 brown bins containing garden waste will not be collected unless they carry a stick-on permit issued by Moray Council. Brown bins containing **only** food waste will continue to be emptied.

## <u>Dredger</u>

The dredger is **still** tied up due to crewing issues.

#### Closure of Bank of Scotland, Lossiemouth

Despite much local pressure, the Lossiemouth Bank of Scotland is still due to close, permanently, at 4pm on Monday, 3 June 2019. Account balances can be checked and cash or cheques deposited at Post Office branches.

### Moray Council Budget 2019/20

Following Moray Council's recent Budget Meeting it has been confirmed that;

- i) Harbour Dues for Leisure Boats will increase by 5%, (**not** the previously expected 10%).
- ii) Community Wardens will be reduced to 2,
- iii) Public toilets at Burghead and Cummingston are to remain open for this year.
- iv) Library will remain open on reduced hours that are yet to be notified,
- v) Swimming Pool at Lossiemouth is to remain open,
- vi) Council Tax is to rise by 4.79%
- vii) The Community Council will receive no Admin Grant "for one year only"
- viii) £258,000 is to be spent on repairs and maintenance at.

## Change of Bank Account Signatories

Confirmation of the change of signatories has not yet been received but the Minutes Secretary will continue to pursue the matter.

# Attendance at Meetings

The Chairman commended Members on a full attendance, other than illnesses and was pleased that Community Councillors had had good holidays but it was unfortunate that several absences coincided with last month's meeting.

Apologies for this meeting were received from "Councillor Amy Taylor". It would appear that Cllr. Patience has changed her name.

#### **AOCB**

# Disabled Parking Bays, Granary Street, Burghead

It had been brought to the Chairman's attention that one of the disabled bays by 34, Granary Street was no longer required. He would contact the Roads Department to arrange for its removal.

### **Community Energy Presentation**

Joan Megson is working with Danielle Slater, the Chair of Burghead Community Hall Committee, to arrange a Community Energy Presentation. It is hoped that the meeting will be arranged for some time during May. The meeting is likely to take place in the Community Hall, (dependent on renovation schedule), dates and times are yet to be confirmed.

Being no further business, the meeting was closed.

Date of next meeting Thursday, 4 April 2019 at 7.30pm in Burghead Harbour Office.

Chris Tuke Minutes Secretary.

Copies of previous minutes and information regarding Burghead available on-line at:

The Moray Council Website <a href="www.moray.org">www.moray.org</a> > Community > Community Councils > Burghead and Cummingston <a href="http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\_standard/page\_60801.html">http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\_standard/page\_60801.html</a>

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Crimestoppers – 0800 555 111

Antisocial Behaviour - 01343 563134 antisocialbehaviour@moray.gov.uk

If the police are not informed of problems they cannot act and if crimes are not reported then there are implications with regard to police staffing levels.