

**Buckie & District Community Council Minutes**  
**Tuesday 16 April 2019, 7pm, at Phoenix Centre, Buckie**



**Chair:** Kevin McKay

**Attendees**

- Morag Stewart, Steve Thornton, Meg Jamieson,
- Councillors Sonya Warren, Tim Eagle, Gordon Cowie
- Public: Archibald Jamieson, Joe Knox, John Stuart (Beach clean Up)

**Apologies**

Nicola Farquhar, Alison Durno, Christine Allan, Ann Mitchell

Topic		Discussion	Action	Person Responsible / Timescale
1.	<b>Police Update</b>	Police officers Mike McLennan and Rachel Barclay attended, issue of boy racers around town was raised and also people speeding up to traffic lights on High Street to get through them before they change to red. Police had large number of calls (195) in Buckie area, 39 crimes identified including 8 incidents of Violence/Anti-Social behaviour and also a high value house break in.		
2.	<b>Minutes of Last Meeting</b>	Recap of previous minutes, Gordon Cowie had put in his apologies for March meeting, minute secretary never heard it. Minutes proposed by Steve and seconded by Morag for both February and March meetings.		
3.	<b>Matters Arising</b>	SW contacted Edwin Devlin - he has nothing planned for a beach clean-up for the near future. Working Together meeting held 15 April - asked for volunteers to keep this group going and keep public informed of what's is happening in Buckie, raised some volunteers, discussed ways of informing public what is on so events are not duplicated. Will ask Buckie Area Forum and Regeneration Group to advertise events. Kathleen from Choir Group, contacting papers so people without computers know what is on.		

		<p>SW reported that Portessie School camera has been erected to monitor traffic and parking there.</p> <p>Beach Clean Up - Christine has purchased gloves and high visibility vests. Moray Council provide grabbers and bags. John Stuart has organised a beach clean on 12th May at Ianstown, he previously done one at Findochty, kids had great fun too.</p> <p>He has registered with Keep Scotland Beautiful, Morag will read up on this too.</p> <p>Buckpool Harbour Group doing one on 21 April.</p>		
4.	<b>BOWL</b>	BOWL Funding - there were two successful applications each to receive £6,500 each, these were Buckie Baptist Church and Buckie Community Theatre.		
5.	<b>Correspondence</b>	Kevin McKay received letter of apology from Moray Council due to BDCC not receiving notification of no funding this year.		
6.	<b>Treasures Report</b>	Treasurer not in attendance but passed on information that bill for Fishermen's Hall has been paid.		
7.	<b>Reports</b>			
	<b>a) Local Councillor(s)</b>	<p>Developer's Funding is ongoing, letters will be sent out.</p> <p>Was pointed out that Working Together Group is useful for making groups aware of any funding available.</p> <p>Gateway is not council funded, same as the dandy statue on Elgin plainstones. Artists are working on it at present and plans are being considered.</p> <p>Grass cutting issue was raised on Facebook for councillors' attention, it is part of the budget cuts, if in a small area is left where it has been cut round the perimeter then the rest of that small section will be cut.</p> <p>Gordon Cowie spoke to leader at Moray Council earlier today about concerns</p>		

		<p>raised as to why Cooper Park and Grant Park are kept in good condition in comparison to parks in Buckie and area. Told volunteers maintain these two parks to a good standard and council will supply equipment if volunteers want to help maintain parks in Buckie.</p> <p>They will let public know of any other information they get regarding this.</p>		
	<b>b) Community Council Sub Group</b>	<p>Buckie Roots has now gained charity status. Competition has been put out to schools for new logo, the group have also been asked to maintain flower pots at top of town.</p> <p>Looking for feature and to get photographs to promote the N250 to promote the town. MJ has received one quote for the cleaning of the monument in the square.</p> <p>GC asked if British Legion has any funds they can put towards this.</p> <p>Leaves at Phoenix House will need insurance, possible companies are Horticultural Society and NFU.</p> <p>A dance is to be held at Legion Hall, Buckie on 25 May, band will pay for free, a raffle will be held and a lucky square.</p>		
	<b>c) Buckie Harbour</b>	<p>Gates on North Pier will be kept on until the present job is done and also for a safety issue if the weather is bad.</p>		
<b>8.</b>	<b>Planning Issues</b>	<p>No planning issues to report</p>		
<b>9.</b>	<b>The Joint Community Council of Moray</b>	<p>MS and MJ attend meetings and reported that BDCC does well and Buckie and Lossiemouth are very active community councils.</p>		
<b>10.</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	<p>Money for Moray - MS reported is all very quiet at the moment.</p> <p>Bucks for Buckie - 10 April was deadline for applications, decisions will be announced on 11 May at Buckie High School.</p> <p>Any objections need to be in before 03 May for Time Restaurant to get a drinks licence. The matter was put to the</p>		

		<p>members and no one could say it posing a problem because it is not going to be playing any loud music.</p> <p>Ian Johnstone Park - questions brought up why play equipment has been sectioned off and can't be used. TE has been onto council about this and it about safety issues because a child had cut their knee.</p> <p>General discussion took place and councillors pointed out that they are doing their job because they care and love Buckie as a place. Pointed out that Grant Park has been attended by volunteers for the last 3 years.</p> <p>Buckie Roots will be entitled to get a brown bin.</p> <p>ST reported that Anne McKay has resigned from Buckie Community Council, the members would like to thank Anne for all her time on the community council.</p> <p>MS is due to hold meeting with Buckpool New Residents Group on 29 April in supper room of Fishermen's Hall.</p> <p>Penumbra Charity are due to hold sessions for a campaign Getting Men Talking and looking for men to get involved. A session will be held at Buckie High School on Tuesday 07 May 10.00-12.00</p>		
11.	<b>Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting</b>	Tuesday 21 May 2019 @ 7 pm in Pheonix Centre, Buckie		