

Findochty Community Council Minutes of Meeting



Tuesday, 24 th August, 7.00pm, Findochty Town Hall				
Attendees		Louise Marshall (LM), Iain Addison (IA), Henry Marshall (HM), Ron Dawson (RD), Councillor Gordon Cowie (G C), Sonia Warren (SW), Members of the public: 0		
Apologies		Councillor Tim Eagle (TE), Andy Slater (AS), Andrea Woodhead (AW), Jim Murray (JM), Jeff Masterson (JM)		
Action				
1.		Police Update		
		Community Safety Newsletter No 53 August 2021 was circulated in advance of the meeting.		
2.		Minutes of Last Meeting		
		Accepted as a true record. Not quorum so for noting only.		
3.		Matters Arising		
		See Action Sheet		
4.		Correspondence Received		
DATE - SOURCE	CONTACT	CONTENT	MEETING DATE	ACTION
Email 13/07/21	Ian Proven	Wells – location of the following wells: 1. Simon Fiddle’s Well. I believe that this well issued from rock within Broad Haven and is now probably under the west harbour breakwater. 2. Horse Well. A spring on the shore, near Sandy Creek. While on holiday I found a capped pipe from which a trickle of water flowed, just to the east side of the creek and wondered if this pipe could be linked to the spring. 3. Priest’s Crag Well or Mayers Well. This well or spring issues from a rock on the shore, below the coastal path. Grid Ref. 471682. 4. Corbie Well. Again, located by the coastal path, just east of Portnockie. Grid Ref. 483685.	24/08/21	Suggestion to contact SEPA
Soundbite 24/08/21	Louise Marshall	Part of Community Council Elections promotion, asked to do 30-40 seconds – with Council Comms to go out on Facebook over next few weeks	24/08/21	For info
Facebook July 2021	Mairi Innes	Reidhaven Street – brick planter. Been attended to but to establish if Council maintain or not	24/08/21	Not within council ownership
5.		Community Feedback		
		JCC Flyer for Community Council elections circulated in advance of meeting. Facebook postings to promote forthcoming elections carried out.		
6.		Treasurers Report		
		Audited accounts and associated COVID Grant Accounts submitted on 26 January 2021. £150 of admin grant paid to Joint Community Council as contribution to Moray wide mail drop election promotion arranged by JCC.		

7.	Reports	
	<p>a. Local Councillors – update GC reported for McKenzies beach – repair to handrail and make safe and new steps being built.</p> <p>b. Community Council Sub Group(s) – Harbour Advisory Group – next meeting Monday 13th September, virtual meeting. Pontoon – Four updates on the Findochty Harbour Pontoon Replacement Update provided by Stuart Akass, Harbour Development and Operations Manager added to Findochty Past and Present Facebook. Installation planned to commence on Wednesday 1 September for 9 weeks with worksites cordoned off to comply with H&S requirements. All permissions in place, potential road closure.</p> <p>Findochty Town Hall – asset transfer approved by Council and Court Solicitor appointed for negotiation for change of deeds and ownership. £18k quoted to resurface car park. Six trustees in place. Calendars now on sale and pop up coffee shop restarted and £700 raised.</p> <p>Findochty Christmas Lights – No update.</p> <p>Findochty Gala – No update.</p> <p>Maintenance / Gardening Group – may be future link with Mens Shed.</p> <p>Litter Pick – Doddies Road tidied in March 2021.</p> <p>Defibrillator - August 2020 Mhaire Cowie stepping down from Defibrillator Contact List (having carried out weekly / monthly checks over previous 2 years) leaving Catherine Gardiner and Ron Dawson (as temporary solution). Firm administrative and Financial arrangements to be resolved (suggestion of replacement from one of the 27 community members trained, all Community Groups input to ongoing maintenance costs). Defib pads paid for by FCC and changed by Ron with an expiry of 28 November 2020 set. RD confirmed known financial commitment as new pad at £35 each, battery 5 year life needs replacing and voice prompt repaired by 'Lucky to be Alive'.</p> <p>Morven Play Area - One of 4 play areas across Moray part of the capital programme for Children's Play Areas in 2020/21. Initial on site meeting between volunteers Gayle Calder, Ruth O'Hanlon, Rachel Watt and Caroline Ferguson with Council Officers from Lands and Parks and Community Support has taken place – core investment of £50k with options to increase through local match funding. Next stage will be local consultation.</p>	
8.	Planning Issues	
	Bejou Planning Application discussed, plans remaining within	

	the current site boundary.	
9.	The Joint Community Council of Moray	
	JCC meeting minutes can be accessed via link for information.	
10.	Community Council Elections	
	<p>Formal process to commence on 23 August 2021 – Notice of Election published 23 August 2021 Candidate nominations open on Tuesday 24 August 2021 Candidate nominations close at 4pm on Thursday 30 September 2021 Statement of those elected unopposed by 5pm on Thursday 30 September 2021 Statement of those Community Councils subject to ballot 5pm on Thursday 30 September 2021 Postal votes issued by Wednesday 13 October 2021 Postal votes to be returned by Thursday 28 October 2021 (Close of Poll) Count – by Thursday 4 November 2021 Declaration of Community Council established (Election Results) by Thursday 4 November 2021.</p> <p>More information to follow on the Council's website with nomination forms to download which MUST be completed. Revised scheme for Moray Community Council's for 2021-2025 on website from start of new term on 4 October 2021. A5 Flyer – print and add to Notice Board</p>	
11.	AOCB	
	<p>Community Council 2021 Meeting Dates – to be confirmed</p> <p>Gull proof litter bins in place in Buckie paid for by Buckie Common Good Fund. Discussion whether Findochty Common Good could fund, contact to be made with Accountancy Council to establish if funds available (Smart meter income).</p>	
12.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	
	Meeting concluded at 7.51pm. Next meeting – date to be confirmed following elections.	

Appendix 1

FINDOCHTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL – OUTSTANDING ACTIONS				
MINUTE	ACTION	LEAD	UPDATE	COMPLETE
06/08/19 (para 4)	Waste bin collection	Louise Marshall	Contact Waste Manager to confirm rota times.	Emailed Waste Manager
06/08/19 (para 7)	Weeding	Louise Marshall	Contact Lands and Parks Manager to confirm. GC suggested emailing Grant Speed on all things Lands and Parks.	Emailed Lands and Parks Manager
01/05/18 (para 10)	Morven Crescent Play Park – report poor condition of ground surface	Louise Marshall	Emailed Lands and Parks. Councillor Officer (Grant Speed) to discuss with Ken Kennedy but suggested spraying weeds and new chips but depends on budget available. Part of 2021 Playpark Improvement Project.	Complete
05/11/19 (para 5)	War memorial	Louise Marshall	Southside writing is faded. Refer to Head of Lands and Parks as war memorial funding may be available.	Emailed Lands and Parks Manager
05/11/19 (para 7b)	Community Council Insurance (Zurich)	Louise Marshall	Raise recent claim process and outcome with JCC	Discussed with JM. Complete
05/11/19 (para 7b)	Findochty Common Good Fund – Smart Meter Income	Louise Marshall	Contact Accountancy to query. TE confirmed £1,500 deposited annually to Findochty Common Good Fund.	Complete
04/02/20 (para 1)	Police Scotland – contact Transportation about junction on Seaview Road	Police Scotland		
04/02/20 (para 6)	Notice Board – update contacts and meeting dates	Louise Marshall / Andrea Woodhead		
04/02/20 (para 7b)	No 1 pontoon in urgent need of repair – send photos to GC	Andy Slater / Jeff Masterson	Superseded by Pontoon Replacement Programme	Complete
04/02/20 (para 7b)	Burnside Street – grass area requiring attention – email GC details	Andy Slater / Iain Addison		
04/02/20 (para 7b)	McKenzies Beach Steps – contact Harbourmaster initially to discuss liability	Andy Slater / Iain Addison	GC confirmed repairs to railings and steps being carried out	Complete
04/02/20 (para 7b)	Roadside cutting – confirm schedule with Grant Speed	Louise Marshall		

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04/02/20 (para 7b)	Mens Shed Group – contact Jimmy Bremner to discuss linkage	Louise Marshall	JB attending Garden / Maintenance Group on 3 March 2020	Complete
04/02/20 (para 7b)	January beach clean at the Hythe highlighted significant dog poo issue – additional signage required	Henry Marshall	Signage added	Complete
24/08/21 (para 7b)	Defibrillator – resolve future funding commitment			