

Findochty Community Council Minutes

Date: Tuesday 3rd May 2022
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Findochty Town Hall, Seaview Room

Chair: Iain Addison

Attendees: Ron Dawson, Sonya Warren, Andrea Woodhead, Iain Addison, Caroline Ferguson, Paul Steel, Les Dance, Jeff Materson

Apologies: Ruth O'Hanlon

Agenda

1. Police Update

No police in attendance. CF raised concerns over vandalism within the community, particularly around the school grounds with damage to trees, the nursery garden and sheds. Agreed to keep our eyes open to further vandalism but no further action.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

There are no minutes due to poor turnout at the last meeting. Not enough members to be a recorded meeting.

3. Matters Arising / Community Feedback

A number of concerns raised on social media regarding road conditions. SW advised residents should be reporting these issues Via the Moray Council Report It page. Need to look into offering this information to anyone who raises these concerns with us.

Harbour road closure. On way system has not been put in place, need clarification on this and will be chased by CF.

Mackenzie Beach step. There are issues with safety but budget limitations may be a factor. CF to contact D Bremner.

Combing of East Beach - Concern raised over the amount of seaweed on East Beach. IA and AW explained it is nature and not something that has been done before. No further action

Issue raised in regard to the Kerb height at Netherton Terrace toward Key store for wheelchair/mobility scooter users. Need to contact Nicola Moss @ Moray Council

Pathway to cemetery has been raised again as a concern, need to contact Seafield and Moray Council to see who is responsible.

School football pitch is full of holes. Discussed that this should be passed to PSG and we can look into a fundraiser if needed.

Concerns raised regarding the potholes surrounding Sterlochy Peer. Discussed there is an adoption issue as it does not seem to be owned or maintained by anyone. CF will contact D Bremner.

4. Correspondence Received

(Read or circulate any correspondence received including relevant social media responses).

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5. Treasurers Report

£4500 in Bank £900 of which is admin grant. No expenditure as no signatory.

MC have issued a free brown bin permit for Harbour Green.

Town hall £6 per hour is to be paid.

6. Reports

- a. Local Councillor(s) SW advised that there is not much to be report due to change of term. Advised the only issue at the moment is in relation to changing windows in the area and consent to this due to conservation status. SW advised that the community could look into having the status lifted and this is something we may wish to look into in the future.

- b. Community Council Sub Group(s):
Harbour Advisory Group – No update Minutes online

Findochty Town Hall Group – Pop Up cafe has been very busy over last 4 weeks making approx £400 per time.

Waiting for lines in carpark to be painted.

Findochty Christmas Lights – No update

Findochty Gala – No update

Maintenance / gardening – Looking to purchase plants Christies have quoted £300

Litter pick – Planned for 29th May but will need confirmed and advertised

Defibrillator – Pads are needed immediately. Battery has 1 month to 1 year left. Need clarification Andrea will look into purchase of pads.

Morven Play Area – The group have secured an additional £20,000 in funding for the development allowing a toddler area.

- c. A N Other(s): Progressing a development Trust CF will look further into this.

7. Planning Issues

None

8. The Joint Community Council of Moray

Meeting – Unavailable to attend JCC meetings but minutes can be accessed via [link](#) for information.

9. AOCB -

10. Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting

Tuesday 7th June 2022 @ 7pm

FINDOCHTY COMMUNITY COUNCIL – OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

MINUTE	ACTION	LEAD	UPDATE	COMPLETE
1/2/22	Works to be completed at Hythe Beach and West Beach near to compass Rose to prevent erosion and repair damage from the storms	C Ferguson	Spoke with Colin Bell Environmental Protection Manager who passed the matter on. Stephen Cooper email back With regards to erosion, the Council does have a policy on erosion (see below). The Council is the Coastal Protection Authority but that only means we have discretionary powers to under take coastal protection works, there is no obligation to do so. We are also about to start the development of a Coastal Adaptation Plan for Moray which will look at triggers and actions for all of Moray's coastline. The development of this plan will start with Kingston as this is the most active part of our coastline but will include Findochty eventually. The development of a plan does not mean we will undertake any works, more that we will consider options to protect or adapt to our changing coastline.	agreed complete
1/2/22	MCKenzie Beach has new support railing but needs steps or ramp for access to beach	C Ferguson	The Council did not erect the new railings at MacKenzie beach and are not sure who did. They have asked the Council's Estates section if they have any historical knowledge about ownership and if they do I will let us know. Harbour Committee aware and this is to be complete in coming weeks.	
1/2/22	Metal barrier where Seaview road meets Strathleen Road needs repairing.	C Ferguson	Contacted Mark Atherton who passed to Lorraine Bromehead. The contract to repair the barrier is currently out to tender. It is anticipated that repairs will be completed late spring early summer.	
1/2/22	Flowers for spring and summer and tubs renewed	Garden Team	Garden committee will be looking at this . Need to find out if we have a garden committee. School wishes to be involved. IA will speak to Henry, Vi and Andy if not willing to carry on we will need to advertise. Les Dance willing to help.	

1/2/22	Seat and fence at Hythe need repaired	Mens Shed	Mens shed advised this is an easy fix. Advised materials needed IA will price Howdens and TP	
1/2/22	Bridge at end of caravan park needs repaired after storm arwen	C Ferguson	Emailed Deborah Halliday. Council are aware of the damage but no funds in this years budget. Works will be April at the earliest. Once budget is approved the engineer will contact me with updates.	

