

Buckie and District Community Council

Date: 22 August 2023
 Time: 7pm
 Venue: Ace Winches, Victoria Park, Buckie
 Attendees: Chair- Allan Paterson (AP), Treasurer- Christine Allan (CA), Alison Durno (AD), Beverley Wood (BW), Cllr. Sonya Warren (SW), Ross Ingram (RI), Debra Duke (DD), Ann Mitchell (AM),
 Apologies: Cllr. Neil McLennan (NM), Cllr John Stuart (JS), Secretary- Stephanie Lindsay (SL),

Public present: Carol Wilson (CW), George Baird (GB)

Minutes of Meeting

Agenda Item	Discussed	Follow up / Action by
Issues from previous meeting minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue relating to SSE Beatrice funding application – AM clarified to CA that a further grant, amount unconfirmed as it will be shared by other councils, was applied for and when we can expect a response. 	
Guest Speaker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> N/A 	
Community Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CA contacted Moray Council re. Craigmin Bridge. Moray Council have nothing to do with Craigmin Bridge as it is in private hands. CA noted that Newlands Lane public toilets had been cleaned but it has reverted back to dirty. SW informed that a cleaner has been appointed to clean the toilets. CC notes issues with speeding around Milton Drive area, Rathven area, and general speeding around Buckie town – SW has said Rathven has been approved to change to a 20mph area but funding is needed. AM along with residents has written to Moray Council regarding vermin in Main Street area – awaiting response. SW suggests emailing Karen Seivwright at Moray Council to get a response. AD noted that Ianstown (beside beach) grass has not been cut – SW confirm ground is in private hands and not Moray Councils land. AD raised the issue with 40mph zone as you enter Buckpool from high road: why is not 30mph. SA answered that it has been raised already and because houses open on other side the road is 40mph. It may change with further housing development towards highroad. CA raised the issue with bridge over Buckie Burn and also the path over from Buckpool to Munro Way. Will it be improved? SW has said it is an ongoing issue with Moray Council. Buckie CC will check ownership of bridge by getting a deeds check. 	<p>BW, AM</p> <p>AP</p>


	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CA raised issue again about St Andrews Square and who is responsible for maintenance of parking area. Unable to track down ownership – may be a shared responsibility by home and business owners on that side of square. 	
Elected Councillors Feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SW made CC aware that council budget will be starting soon. Meeting at North Church Hall on 26th August – Shape The Future Of Buckie – encouraged all to attend and put forward views on how to shape the future of Buckie. Councillors have received a lot of feedback about the changing of No38 Bus to being just a town service – Councillors were not consulted about the proposed change – but have made residents voice heard. SW discussed the moving of Dr Gray's Ward 4 patients to Muirton Ward and Muirton patients moving to Seafield Hospital. (for new MRI and ward 4 refurb) Scottish Government has granted funding for play park improvement at Letterfourie Road. Outdoor gym location at Rose Gardens proposal is open for comment and feedback. 	
Cost of Living – Actions being undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AD confirms Community Larder will start this week and be every Wednesday 2-2.30pm at Victoria Lounge – donations welcome Community Larder runs on Tuesday Salvation Army and deliveries can be arranged. Also do community lunches on Wednesdays – Advice on passport, CV's etc available. Fisherman's Hall community Lunches still running – Next one on 28th August. C.A.B. come to Buckie on Thursday – has to be booked in advance. Community Hub continues – access to Moray Wellbeing Hub can be accessed from here on Tuesday afternoon. 	
Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Admin account - £9272.04 Resilience account - £9317.14 Admin grant - £602.39 given from Moray Council in June Buckie CC account - £1462.10 SSE Micro Grant - £93.97 remaining – will be transferred to Buckie CC account and SSE account will be closed. 	
Community Resilience Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SW suggests contacting Buckie paper asking for volunteers etc and saying what we are doing. DD confirms Moray Council still negotiating cost of posting out volunteer leaflets. 	AP
Community Council Groups & initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buckie cycle & walking path signage is ongoing. Further clarification required around what we plan to do with the SSE grant (£5000) for signage around Buckie. A map maker is needed to develop a map for the sign maker. DD will speak to graphic designer at Moray Council to see if he can develop a map for a sign maker. Some contacts that may help with process has been shared with CA and BW. Vattenfall Aultmore Wind Farm community benefit workshop: 1st September from 5.30-9pm – volunteers from CC to attend if possible. 	CA, BW, DD AP, CA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DD inform CC that JCC meeting was poorly attended – few consultations to respond to. Opportunities for community benefit from SSEN – keep an eye on upcoming opportunities. • LOIP – still discussing enhanced Community Hub going to Access Point. LOIP newsletter out soon. Discussed need for allotments in Buckie. • Money For Moray – 2nd round of JTPB funding in progress. Groups can apply for up to £50000, applications on website. • Active Travel – event held to discuss locations/colours of bike shelters etc. • Buckie Harbour Advisory – OW office expected to be running in march 2024. Pier 3 being renovated to accommodate 2x cranes. Investigating costs of CCTV and new lighting. Ongoing issues with weighbridge. • AP will pursue Buckie CC website with local developers 	AP
Planning Applications - responses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CW & GB raised strong opposition to the anaerobic digestion plant proposal – the site is very close to the 6 residents house and garden. SW replied and gave contact address of planning officer at Moray Council and highlighted error in odour assessment. Consultation may be closed but objections may still be heard with planning officer. Buckie CC will support the objection with an email, • Re-request weekly ward planning applications is sent to Buckie CC – info@buckiecc.org 	AP DD
Correspondence to note	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buckie & District CC email address for public: info@buckieCC.org 	
AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suggestion of “Mikeys Line” introduction in Buckie – real need for mental health helpline in local area. • DD noted that Burghead is trying to set up mental health help – www.talkclub.org • AD is contacting ECFC for ideas on how to use events in Buckie and Elgin for mental health. • CA mentioned mental health info from Kirsteen Carmichael: to be forwarded to all Buckie groups including BDCC and also shared on FB • Some local residents raised objection with Buckie Roots covering Notice Board with craft work obscuring view of what's inside. Do we know who owns the notice board? • CA raised issue about bench and flower tubs on highroad. AM will ask if we can give Buckie Roots a donation to plant flowers and maintain flower tub. • Due to recent resignations from council, we would like some new members. • Disability Access questionnaire about dropped kerbs around Buckie – can be found at Better Buckie website. • SW raised issue around lack of 2's group in Buckie and District area. 	AP AD DD AM

Date & Venue of next meeting	• 21st September 2023 – 7pm Ace Winches Lounge, Victoria Park, Buckie	
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Community Council meeting closed at 2220hrs.

I declare this is a true and accurate record of the meeting:

Sign/initial: 

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Date: 22/08/2023

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