



Findhorn and Kinloss

Community Council

DRAFT Minutes of Findhorn and Kinloss Community Council Meeting **held on Thursday 27 November 2025 at Culbin Room, Kinloss Church, Kinloss**

| Present | | Attendance | |
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| A Skene | Chairperson | S Kane | Kinloss Barracks |
| S Worth | | C Low | TFVCC |
| R Hutchinson | | | |
| A Hart | | Moray Councilors | |
| S Urquhart | | None | |
| P Lewington | | | |
| S Symonds | | | |
| | | Members of Public | |
| | | None | |
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Item 1 - Welcome

- a. Apologies – A Shepherd, W Ritchie
- b. Declaration of Interest – to be raised as and when it occurs.

Item 2- Public Session

None

Item 3 – Ratification of Minutes of Meeting from Thursday 25 September 2025, at Culbin Room, Kinloss Church

3.1 The minutes of the meeting of Thursday 25 September were agreed as being accurate, proposed by S Worth and seconded by A Hart.

Item 4 – Matters Arising from 25 September 2025

4.1 (4.1) (4.1) (4.1) (4.1) (9.1) (4.1) Play park A Shepherd had been working on this. Some designs had been costed. Quotes were required and then community consultation would commence. Background to the available funds was provided. The funding had been leftover from when the housing was sold. It was earmarked for a future project in the area. This had been agreed to be a playpark. A Shepherd had asked if a couple of other members could join her on working on this project.

ACTION: S Symonds agreed to help with this project. W Ritchie would be asked if she could also help.

Item 5 The Findhorn Village Conservation Company

5.1 A Skene reported that the BBC had been in contact requesting an interview with someone regarding the Moray Flow Park. C Low said that the No to Flow steering group could respond to this request. All agreed that the request be forwarded to C Low.

5.2 The No to the Flow steering group were holding were holding a session on Saturday 13 December from 11am to 1pm to encourage more people to help with the workload on this matter. The idea was that further working/sub groups and actions needed to be undertaken and more people were required to help with this. Any person could be on the sub groups. Information would be shared with the CCLO to let other affected community councils know about this. It was also requested that at least one member from F&K Cc be appointed to the Steering Groups.

ACTION: A Skene and R Hutchinson be appointed as CC representatives on the Steering Group.

5.3 Other actions that Tfvcc were involved in:

- Church project officer interviews would be held next week.
- Income generated from the motorhome and car parking would fund remedial works ready for the next season.
- Repairs to the Church slip were still outstanding.

Item 6 Kinloss Barracks

6.1 S Kane provided an update from Kinloss Barracks on matters that might impact the wider community. Christmas shutdown would result in decreased numbers of personnel.

6.2 An issue had been raised about children crossing the road near the school. Kinloss Barracks had written to Moray Council and copied in Diane Douglas. It was requested that the community council help with this community safety issue. In this area the pavements were relatively narrow, and foliage could impede the width further. Contact could also be made with teachers and the parent council. Moray Council also promoted the Living Streets Travel tracker programme where schools record how pupils travel to school on a daily basis.

ACTION:

The CC would write to Moray Council to raise concerns about crossing of the road and walking along the pavements near the school.

Item 7 Chairperson's Report

7.1 A Skene welcomed everyone to the new community council.

Item 8 Secretary's Report/Correspondence

8.1 No report at the inaugural meeting.

Item 9 Treasurer's Report

9.1 A Shepherd sent a report with the following figures. The annual account had been returned to the CCLO.

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| Admin Grant | £1857.80 |
| Capital | £297.70 |
| Savings | £36,462.96 |
| Total | £38,618.46 |

Item 10 Joint Community Council

10.1 The date for the next meeting of the JCC is 11 December 2025. A Skene would be attending. All had been invited due to it being the inaugural meeting.

Item 11 Moray Councilors' Report

11.1 None in attendance as it was the inaugural meeting.

Item 12 Park Ecovillage, Findhorn Report (PEVF)

11.1 It was noted that in the future A Hart would provide an update.

Item 13 Resilience Planning

13.1 Reports would be brought to future meetings.

Item 14. Remembrance

14.1 Thanks were recorded to SW for the Findhorn and Kinloss ceremonies.

Item 15 Planning

R Hutchinson declared an interest in this item as he was an applicant for one of the planning application. He left the room for the duration of discussion about this application.

15.1 There had been five planning applications submitted for the FKCC area which were discussed.

- 25/01287/APP Proposed change of house design to amend existing approval ref 24/01332/APP on Land To The Rear Of 208 Findhorn Moray
 - No issues with this application to be raised.
- 25/01329/APP Amend planning consent 24/00420/APP for conversion of fisherman's store to dwellinghouse at 43C Findhorn Moray
 - Queries were raised about the position of the proposed heat pump. Comments were not due until 9 December, therefore more details would be requested and circulated for the CC to formulate a response.

R Hutchinson left the meeting at this point.

- 25/01447/APP Retrospective permission to site and operate a mobile sauna at East Beach Dunes Road Findhorn Moray
 - It was noted that there comments in support of the application had been submitted. The CC did not have any objections to the application.

R Hutchinson returned to the meeting.

- 25/01454/APP Renewal of planning consent 22/01405/APP to site a portable office building adjacent to The Phoenix Centre 156 The Park Findhorn Forres Moray IV36 3TD
 - This was a renewal of temporary consent. The CC had no issues with this application.
- 25/01306/APP Install Solar PV panels at Seaglass 156 Findhorn Forres Moray IV36 3YL
 - This application was for a property within the conservation area. The Findhorn Conservation Area Character Appraisal did not recommend solar panels within the conservation area. It was agreed that more information would be requested to understand the visual impact from public spaces of the proposal before the CC made a representation on this application.

Item 17. Any Other Competent Business

16.1 It was agreed to add Moray Flow Park as a standing agenda item.

16.2 Consideration would be given to the structure of the agenda and priorities.

16.3 Access to the email address would be updated. Members would consider setting up a WhatsApp group. Poster would be redone in New Year.

16.4 Members considered the co-option of a new member. A statement from Maggie La Tourelle was read by the Chairperson.

The scheme required that any proposed co-option is intimated to all at least 14 days prior to the meeting. It was agreed unanimously to waive the 14 days' notice as specified in clause 9.2.3 of the Moray Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils 2025-2029.

RESOLVED: That M La Tourelle be co-opted as a community councillor.

Item 17 Forthcoming Community Events

17.1 The following forthcoming events were shared:

- Universal Hall events can be seen on website www.universalhall.co.uk
- Kinloss Gardening Club first Monday of every month at 2.00 pm at The Abbey Inn, Kinloss.
- No to the Flow open day Saturday 13 December from 11am to 1pm.

Item 18 Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 29 January 2026, 7.00pm at the Culbin Room, Kinloss Church.