



<p>3.5</p> <p>3.6</p> <p>3.7</p>	<p>regarding RNLI recommendations for safety measures at Chanonry Point. AJ to send background information to LB to enable her to identify who within THC should be approached for help. AJ noted that since the last meeting, a couple in an inflatable had had to be rescued from the water. The meeting agreed that the danger presented by strong currents should be highlighted by new signage. SM/Chanonry Point Action Group members to assess what is required and report back next meeting.</p> <p><u>24 High Street, Fortrose</u>: SM had established that the vacant, poorly-maintained privately-owned property is in a conservation area. LB had supplied details of the environmental health officer whom SM intends to write to on behalf of concerned neighbours. The property is in a very poor condition, with falling masonry presenting a hazard. Damp is penetrating neighbouring properties and vermin are present. SM understands that THC can act if a property has been vacant for two years. She understands that this owner has not visited for 18 months. TS added that conservation areas are expected to be appraised and have a management plan in place. Fortrose does not appear to have one. TS to investigate. Update next meeting.</p> <p><u>FRCC engagement</u>: Following discussion leading on from ideas proposed at March's meeting, it was decided that a leaflet drop focussing on Resilience plans (once these have been agreed) with details of how to contact FRCC (tear-off slip, website and mailing list information etc) and highlighting opportunities to meet Community Councillors in person (eg quarterly surgeries, a town hall meeting or via a pop-up stand at regular local events) will be explored. Meanwhile, AP to approach organisers about FRCC pop-up stand at the next Rosemarkie Community Market (1/5/26). HA said she had looked at national guidance for engagement and felt that FRCC was already pursuing the correct approach. BL noted that FRCC had a YouTube channel that could be reactivated if required.</p> <p><u>Communications with THC</u>: Given her experience of 3.4 (above), AJ wondered what the best approach was to prompt action from THC in future and the most efficient way of tracking FRCC actions and responses. A number of the committee praised LB, the ward manager, for providing assistance. HA suggested that when a new Ward Councillor starts their attachment with FRCC, an agenda item might be to discuss with them FRCC hopes and expectations regarding communication and engagement. JP said the "on-going issues" grid was a useful track of which FRCC member was across each topic and whom they had dealt with at THC. It was agreed that JP would draw up a list of THC useful contacts (eg conservation officer, roads, arboriculture, paths etc) to attach to the grid. Members to send details to her for inclusion.</p>	<p>AJ</p> <p>SM</p> <p>SM</p> <p>TS</p> <p>AP</p> <p>JP/ALL</p>
<p>4</p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.2</p>	<p><b>On-going issues update/Projects</b></p> <p><u>Chanonry Signage and Noticeboards</u>: Re "No Toilets" sign, AJ was awaiting a design update from the company that provides signage for THC. It was suggested that CPAG could investigate noticeboards for local information. Regarding other signs in the area, AJ noted that many were out of date or misleading eg shuttlebus information. TS to check shuttlebus sign locations and approach THC for removal. KW to identify other redundant signage relating to Chanonry Point.</p> <p><u>Road Traffic Order/Lines/Signage</u>: AJ explained that completing the work in Rosemarkie had apparently fallen between two THC departments. AJ to resume her contact with the Roads department and will copy in FRCC and</p>	<p>TS</p> <p>KW</p>

	the Ward Councillors to her email requesting action.	AJ
5	<b>Points from the Public/Correspondence</b>	
5.1	<u>Learnie Red Rock biking routes</u> : Cllr Morven-May MacCallum sought support for retaining/improving existing mountain biking routes around Forestry Scotland land at Learnie Red Rock, with the possibility of increasing the number of paths. JP to write offering FRCC support and noting that a portion of the site falls under Cromarty & District CC.	JP
5.2	<u>Bridge St. Rosemarkie</u> : AP said she had been approached by a resident with children hoping for a safe walking route along the burn as an alternative to Bridge Street which has no pavement. Earlier attempts to get a footbridge from the Fairy Glen car park over the burn to the footpath on the other side have failed due to landowner issues. JP to assist AP who will approach Safe Routes to Schools team/THC Paths ranger.	JP AP
5.3	<u>Co-op Fortrose disabled bays</u> : KW said that several disabled residents had complained about the siting of the gate barrier in the new car park. The manager had been approached but was unable to help. JP to provide KW with details of Co-op's community champion to seek assistance.	JP/KW
5.4	<u>Chanonry Point west side footpath</u> : SSEN appears to have carried out work near the footpath which has been left in a poor condition, leading to residents' complaints. TS to contact SSEN.	TS
6	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> BL reported that the balance of accounts stood at £6928.07. The annual accounts, required by THC in June, would be scrutinised by Paul McSorley and submitted timeously. JP to establish what 2026/7 THC grant will be.	JP
7	<b>Community Issues/Consultations</b>	
7.1	<u>Moray Firth FLOW-Park</u> : No specific update. KW to stay in touch with Moray Firth Partnership; SM to monitor Nairn pressure group updates.	KW/SM
8	<b>Planning</b>	
8.1	<u>Extension, 23 Marine Terrace, Rosemarkie</u> : No comments.	
8.2	<u>House plot, Wester Raddery</u> : No comments.	
8.3	<u>Former quarry, Fairy Glen road</u> : Application for camping pods withdrawn 6/3/26, however residents had noted extensive groundwork activity at the site. JP to investigate.	JP
9	<b>Licensing</b> No applications	
10	<b>Police Report</b> Nothing had been received from Police Scotland since January, despite TS chasing, which was disappointing. Nor was there an update on concerns around speeding raised at the recent meeting with the force. HA and SM had attended a briefing on the "Police Portal Partnership", a scheme to enable recognised groups including CCs to report information confidentially. It was agreed that HA and SM would be the FRCC's points of contact if required. Members of the public could report concerns or suspected law-breaking using other channels, eg Crimestoppers. HA to link on FRCC website.	HA/SM HA
11	<b>Sub-Committees/Community Groups/Meetings</b>	
11.1	<u>Fortrose Academy Stakeholder Group</u> : March meeting postponed. JP to	

11.2	attend when rescheduled. <u>Rosemarkie &amp; Fortrose Trust (RAFT)</u> : AP had had confirmation that RAFT was in possession of money gifted by Parklands and that restrictions on its use had been lifted following legal advice sought by RAFT. RAFT's AGM was expected to be held shortly. JP to establish best RAFT contact email/phone number for toilet-related queries sent to FRCC.	JP
11.3	<u>Black Isle Community Councils</u> : AP had circulated notes from a meeting arranged by Cllr Atkin to discuss developer contributions. In summary, applications need to meet strict criteria including that they be "new" projects not repairs, and money is used for capital investment not running cost. It is understood that some developer contributions have not been allocated. THC will contact relevant CCs - it is not yet clear if FRCC is one. SM to monitor.	JP  SM
11.4	<u>Regenerate Our Green Space (ROGS)</u> : JP confirmed that planting to improve the Co-op car park perimeter would go ahead on 12/4 and 19/4. Volunteers sought via ROGS and FRCC. JP to draft mailout.	JP
11.5	<u>St Boniface Fair</u> : AP requested that beneficiaries be identified now for inclusion in promotional advertising. It was noted that Black Isle Need To Play benefitted from the Christmas event. It was agreed that Black Isle Cares and the Trishaws would be this year's St Boniface recipients.	
11.6	<u>Sub-committees - remits for approval &amp; reports</u> : Resilience version complete and now acting as a template for other CCs. HA and AP to complete work on others, and present to future meeting before uploading to website.	HA/AP
11.7	<u>Community Resilience group</u> : SM said THC was liaising directly with Highlife Highland over Warm Hub/emergency leisure centre provision. FRCC group had provided information to the Mid West Ross Community Partnership (MWRCP) and had started work with Wanda Mackay, the area Youth Worker. Liaison with Avoch and Killen CC continued, with discussion of possible training sessions on the Home Checklist (information now on FRCC website). Details of approach/documentation shared with Knockbain CC. AP has escalated Resilience to BICCs, with a request that a subgroup is established to discuss collaboration. AP/TS to follow up. TS/BL to raise as an agenda item at the next OBI meeting (14.4.26) with a proposal for a joint funding approach when required. SM said it was important to delineate THC/emergency services roles versus volunteer action in the event of an emergency - for instance, Police Scotland would take lead in the event of civil unrest. MWRCP was working with the Scottish Fire Service to compile a register of local tractors/drivers, chainsaw operators, lifting gear etc. Emergency power requirements for vulnerable residents who used electric hoists, for example, should be flagged to SSEN. The meeting thanked the group for its continuing hard work.	AP/TS TS/BL
11.8	<u>Seniors' Afternoon Tea</u> : Date set as Wednesday 17th June. AP to provide basic details to HA for website events calendar.	AP/HA
12	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
12.1	<u>Benches</u> : TS noted positive publicity in local press regarding refurbishment.	
12.2	<u>Meeting venues</u> : JP confirmed she had booked the BI Leisure Centre meeting room for 7pm Wednesday 3rd June, and the Gordon Memorial Hall meeting room for 7pm for Wednesday 2nd September.	
13	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> Wednesday 6th May at 7pm via Microsoft Teams.	

