

Cromarty and District Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 24th September 2018, 7.30pm in the Hugh Miller Institute

Minutes Approved 29.10.2018

Present

Community Councillors: Jacquie Ross (JR) Chair, Diane Brawn (DB) Secretary, Estelle Quick (EQ) Treasurer, Kenneth MacFarlane (KM), Rosemarie Hogg (RH), Gabriele Pearson (GP)

Youth Representative: Grace Wilson (GW) **Highland Councillor(s)**: Cllr Craig Fraser (CF)

Police Scotland: -

Member(s) of the public: Natalie Murray (NM), Assistant Youth Worker

Community Council Minute Secretary: Gillian McNaught (GM)

1	Chairman's Welcome	
	JR welcomed Councillors and representatives.	
	Apologies: PC Scott Cameron (PC SC).	
2	<u>Declarations of Interests</u>	
End	None	
3	Approval of previous Minutes, 27th August 2018	
3.1	Corrections to the August Minutes: • 'Alan MacDonald' removed from the C&DCC Portfolio list (<i>Appendix C</i>) New hor (6 in action points as well at 7.8	
	• Number 6.6 in action points corrected to 7.8	
	Approved by EQ and seconded by GP	
End		



4	Youth issues	
4.1	JR welcomed GW & NM and introduced them to KM & RH.	
4.2	Seagulls - GW had reports of seagulls attacking people and dogs. Some of the 'do not feed the seagulls' signs are requiring replacement, so DB will remove and replace next spring. CF reminded everyone of the link on the CL website about the law and seagull nuisance.	DB
4.3	Public Toilets - Several reports have been received that these are in a very dirty state as well as inadequate ventilation and access not available 24/7. CF is working with HC on issues raised and will also find out more about the cleaning contract.	CF
4.4	Harbour Bin - This has been overflowing, possibly due to an increase in visitor numbers and a decrease in the number of times bins are emptied by HC. JR has emailed HC about this.	JR
4.5	Lighting - Juniors have reported street lights not working as a safety issue for pedestrians and cyclists on Shore Street. CF has been following up on lighting issues in his report and encouraged residents to find the unique identification number on each lamp post to assist in locating problems.	
End		
5	Police Report	
5.1	PC SC submitted his report prior to the meeting (Appendix A) and Members were pleased to note there were no incidents in the area this month.	
End	PC SC was thanked for his report.	
6	Matters Arising	
6.1	(4.1 C&DCC submit the Old Dairy Plan on behalf of the CCDT). Ongoing .	EQ
6.2	(7.2 Report back about queries put to the Snooker Club as minuted). Any questions can be directed to Robert Cooper (Chair) or to KM (Club Secretary) in writing. Discharged .	
6.3	(7.6 Collate bus complaints. Craig meet with D&E coaches to discuss). Complaints have been fewer of late but CF will contact Cllr Gordon Adam to progress.	CF
6.4 (cont)	(7.8 Send details of all complaints about Graveyard burial procedures and maintenance to HC). Still monitoring. Ongoing.	JR

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(cont) 6.5	(7.11 Organise a visit to Youth Cafe ref CCDT). EQ will arrange a visit in the Autumn. Ongoing.	EQ
6.6	(7.12 Request a timescale for the Whitedyke soil removal). JR contacted HC again and received an automated reply and another Reference number. Ongoing.	JR
6.7	(7.13 Progress solution to the Links bus shelter as proposed in Minutes 28.5.2018). CF will enquire again about HC funding for a new shelter. Ongoing.	CF
6.8	(7.14 Note to self, CF, cutting back of ivy at Gaelic Chapel after nesting season). Discharged.	
6.9	(7.16 Follow up on the next round of Beatrice Partnership funding the CC can apply for). A new round of funding will be available in <u>January 2019</u> , to which the C&DCC can apply. Ongoing.	DB
6.10	(7.17 Send final CC Data protection document to Kristina for CL and to GM for Archive). Done. Discharged.	
6.11	(7.19 Update Members with progress on the compensation disparity between communities in relation to wind farm noise and noise from industrial operations in the Firth). DB had comprehensive replies from Steven Brown, Office Manager for Ian Blackford MP and Rebecca Middlemiss at the Scottish Government Energy and Climate Change Directorate, confirming no compensation is currently available. Any further queries should be put to the CFPA direct. Done. Discharged.	
6.12	(7.20 Write to CFPA to re-iterate C&DCC support for all funding applications from the District). JR will do this if/when requested by an applicant. Ongoing.	JR
6.13	(7.23 Report back with outcome of queries to Planning enforcement team. <i>See Minutes 28.5.2018, item 10.2</i>). The Planning team has written to both parties and will conduct a site visits this week. GP has reported to HC Planning another wood chip drying kiln built at Udale Farm, following concerns of thick smoke at properties nearby. Ongoing.	GP
6.14	(7.28 Follow up on Links overgrown shrubbery). This work is scheduled to take place towards the end of October. Ongoing.	CF
6.15	(7.29 Follow up an the suggestion for a bench in sheltered housing courtyard). CF will ask HC if there is funding available and Members suggested this would be a good site for future memorial bench requests. Ongoing.	CF
6.16	(7.30 Report back on waste uplift request from the graveyard). This is being monitored by CF & JR. Ongoing.	JR & CF
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(cont) 6.17	(11.2 Progress with HC the issue of overflowing general waste bins on the Links). Discussed under <i>item 4.4</i> . Discharged.	
6.18	(11.3 Send survey results on proposed cinema to HC planning). Results sent and Cinema group awaiting outcome of LEADER funding application. Ongoing.	GP
6.19	(11.4 Keep Members informed of imminent Tractor maintenance & service). Currently being serviced. Discharged.	
6.20	(11.6 Invite Colin Simpson to next C&DCC to discuss NC500 funding for Cromarty infrastructure). Correction, the invitation was to a CCDT meeting. Discharged.	
6.21	(13.4 Forward to the CCP the Bowel Cancer UK Scotland offer of a free 'awareness' talk). Done. Discharged.	
6.22	(13.8 Attend the Community Council Scheme Review meeting on 12th September). DB attended. A wide ranging survey of key areas for CC's to consider and discuss has to be completed by 2nd November. DB proposed C&DCC Members read the document, prepare notes and meet before the next meeting at 7pm on Monday 29th October. Agreed. Ongoing.	All
6.23	(14.1 Request the removal of Gala items from the Links). Done. Discharged.	
6.24	(14.3 Contact Kristina about CL Website administration). Kristina Dupar is arranging a handover with Jon Palmer. Discharged.	
6.25	(14.4 Contact Kristina about her surplus Garden Chairs for Community events). These would be useful, but storage is a problem. EQ will ask Alan Plampton if the Victoria Hall have space to store. Ongoing.	EQ
7	Treasurer's Report	
7.1	EQ circulated her report prior to the meeting and presented to Members. (Appendix B).	
7.2	Christmas Lights - £2500 has been paid from Gala funds for upgrading electrics to service more lights in the Victoria Park.	
7.3	Splash & Dash fund - With no current plans to revive the Splash and Dash, Georgia Macleod has requested that the residual monies be transferred to the Bonfire Fund. Members agreed EQ would ask for more detail about the source of donations to the Splash & Dash Fund in the first instance.	EQ
	EQ was thanked for her report.	
End		

8	Cromarty Community Development Trust (CCDT) JR reported to Members:	
8.1	The AGM was held on 11th September 2018 and updates were given on all CCDT projects.	
8.2	The full complement of eight Trust Directors will meet within a fortnight.	
8.3	A working group of volunteers has been set up to look at Slipway repairs.	
8.4	A fundraising Pub Quiz will be held on <u>Saturday</u> , <u>20th October</u> .	
End		
9	Victoria Hall (VH) Report	
9.1	Alan Plampton (AP) circulated the VH Report (Appendix C) and Natalie Murray (NM), Assistant Youth Worker's Report prior to the meeting (Appendix D).	
End	AP & NM were thanked for their reports.	
10	Community Councillors' Portfolios	
10.1	 Kenneth MacFarlane Ferry - the service will finish for the season at the end of September. 	
10.2	 Gabriele Pearson Cromarty Care Project - their AGM will be held on <u>1st October</u>. GP has given her apologies but JR may be able to go instead. If no member can be present, GP will request minutes. Planning - no new applications. The Cromarty Cinema proposal has been granted planning permission. The application relating to the Daffodil Field has been updated and concerns addressed. 	JR & GP
10.3 End	 Jacquie Ross Links - At the end of the October holidays the peg will be put in place to to prevent vehicle access onto the Links 	JR
11	Highland Councillor (HC) Report	
11.1	Street light outages - CF has been working on this for some time. Some lamps have been repaired/bulbs replaced several times lately, so CF has alerted HC to follow up.	CF
11.2 End	Cromarty Traffic Management Plan - This remains on the HC's list but progress is delayed.	CF

12	Correspondence	
12.1	Table Tennis Sessions - Cromarty Care Project is initially running a 3 month pilot for adults starting October 1st - December 17th, as "there is good research to show that Table tennis is very good for dementia prevention".	
12.2	Mid Ross Community Partnership - the next meeting is on <u>27th September 6-8pm in Munlochy Village Hall</u> . To help develop and improve services across Mid Ross, responses are encouraged from as many individuals as possible to an online survey <u>www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/midrosssurvey2018</u> . JR and DB to post on Facebook and CL Website.	All & JR & DB
12.3	SCRAPbook - the Scottish Government is investing £100,000 following the reaction to the litter map (SCRAPbook) highlighting coastal waste. Two local areas highlighted on the map are at Newton and Navity. DB will take a look and report to next meeting.	DB
12.4	The Parliament Project - email from Hannah Stevens regarding events across the country to encourage more women to stand for political office. A workshop is taking place on Saturday 20^{th} October, $10.30 - 12.30$ in the Highland Council Chamber and participants can sign up through the project's website.	
12.5 End	A Poster received from Royal Mail warning about scam mail will be displayed on the community noticeboard.	
13	AOB	
13.1	JR met with a resident concerned about the amount of development proposals for the site at the slipway end of the Links, including the potential for a cinema, offices, larger ferry and boat shed which could impact on Traffic Management in that area and current harbour users.	
13.2	For their interest, CF showed Members a leaflet on the Muir Hub, a Community owned building converted from the Old Tarradale School which now houses a cinema and auditorium with retractable seating, meeting room, offices, retail area and cafe.	
13.3 End	KM reported that the Harbour will be dredged at the beginning of November and craft have to be out of the water by 28th October.	
14	Date of next meeting Monday 29th October 2018 @ 7.30pm, Hugh Miller Institute, Church Street, Cromarty. C&DCC Members will meet at 7pm to discuss their response to Community Council Scheme Review paper (see item 6.21).	
	JR thanked everyone for attending and the meeting concluded at 8.20pm.	

Summary of Matters Arising & Action Points

Reference	To whom allocated	Notes		
4.2	Diane	Remove seagull signs and replace next Spring		
4.3	Craig	Follow up on Public Toilet complaints and current cleaning contract		
4.4	Jacquie	Report back on reposes from HC about overflowing bins		
6.1	Estelle	Submit Old Dairy Plan when completed on behalf of CCDT		
6.3	Craig	Contact Cllr Gordon Adam to discuss current bus issues		
6.4	Jacquie	Monitor graveyard procedures		
6.5	Estelle	Organise a visit to Youth Cafe ref CCDT in the Autumn		
6.6	Jacquie	Report back on response from HC about Whitedykes soil removal		
6.7	Craig	Ask HC again about funding for a new Links bus shelter		
6.9	Diane	Follow up the Beatrice Partnership's next round of funding for communities in January 2019		
6.12	Jacquie	Write to CFPA to re-iterate C&DCC support for all funding applications from the District when required		
6.13	Gabriele	Report back on planning issues, replacement fence and wood chip drying kilns		
6.14	Craig	Report back on work on the Links carpark shrubbery scheduled for end October		
6.15	Craig	Contact HC about benches for the sheltered housing courtyard		
6.16	Craig & Jacquie	Continue to monitor the emptying of graveyard waste bin		
6.18	Gabriele	Report back on result of Cromarty Cinema's application for LEADER funding		
6.22	All	Read the Community Council Scheme Review document for discussion at 7pm, prior to the October meeting		
6.25	Estelle	Ask Alan Plampton if Victoria Hall has space for storing plastic chairs for community use		
7.3	Estelle	Ask for more details of Splash and Dash Fund donation sources		
10.2	Gabriele & Jacquie	Jacquie to attend CCP AGM. If not, GP to request minutes		
10.3	Jacquie	Organise closing off Links to vehicles at the end of October		
11.1	Craig	Update Members on street lighting problems		
11.2	Craig	Update Members on progress of Traffic Management Plan		

12.2	All, Jacquie and Diane	All Members to promote/complete the Mid Ross Community Partnership Survey. JR post survey details on Facebook & Diane for CL website
12.3	Diane	Report back on her coastal waste site visits at Navity and Newton

Agenda item 5.1 Appendix A



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORM

Command Area	North Highland	Community Group	Cromarty Community Council
Station	Dingwall	Officer Attending	PS Scott Cameron (e-mail)
Data of Meeting	24th September 2018	Location	Hugh Miller Institute, Church Street, Cromarty

Meeting Preparation

Ward and Local Policing Plan Priorities.	Activities conducted over the reporting period to support those priorities.
Road Safety Anti-social behaviour Alcohol Abuse	High-Viz mobile and foot patrols carried out in the area and also licensed premises checks.

Update on Previously Agreed Actions – See previous OP 55/8 & Relevant Reference on the Area Command Action Tracking Table

N/A

Update on any local community safety issues / trends within the community and any assistance / information requested from the community. Review IMPACT / intelligence etc



"POLICE REPORT 20/08/18 TO 19/09/18 -

Between 20/08/18 and 19/09/18 Police Scotland were involved in zero incidents within the Cromarty area.

Officers continue to conduct high visibility mobile patrols as well as foot patrols and Licence premise checks within the Cromarty area. Should you wish to discuss anything further or are aware of anything I may not be aware of then please do not hesitate to contact me.

With regards to the previous incidents mentioned from last month's report all enquires have now been exhausted with a negative result unfortunately. I wish to reiterate though that should any further information come to light then pleasedo not hesitate and get in contact with myself at Dingwall Police Station.

Unfortunately I will not be in attendance for the upcoming meeting due to my current shift commitments but I look forward to meeting you all in the future.

Kind Regards

PC Scott Cameron N0377

Any local / Area Command / Divisional / Police Scotland updates / key messages

N/A



Agenda item 7.1 Appendix B

Finance Report - Cromarty & District Commun	ity Council		
Agenda Item No 7 - Treasurer's Report			
Period: 25/08/18-21/09/18			
General Income			
Publication sales	C41 7E	Fann autium	
Publication sales	£01./3	Emporium	
Less:			
General Expenditure			
<u>General Expenditure</u>			
ncrease/Decrease in Accumulated Fund	£61,75		
Fund Income			
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Less:			
Fund Expenditure			
Cromarty Rising - legal fees	£1,155.00		
Gala - expenses	£280.00		
Gala - Christmas lights	£2,500.00		
	£3,935.00		
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Increase/Decrease in Other Funds	£3,935.00		
Net Assets			
	C24 900 04		
Bank & Cash in hand balances as at 21/09/18	£24,800.04 £47.36		
Paypal - website sales	147.30		
Total Net Assets at 20/08/18	£24,847.40		
Comprising:			
Community Council Accumulated Fund	£2,324.46		
Provision for Guide Book reprinting	£900.70		
Seaplane Plinth Fund	£48.93		
Bonfire Night Fund	£1,085.78		
Splash & Dash Fund	£565.82		
Monday Club Fund	£275.50		
Community DevelopmentFund	£519.04		
Gala Fund	£6,655.77		
Emergency Resilience Fund	£242.72		
Open Gardens Fund	£6.86		
Gluren bij de Buren Fund	£202.06		
Tractor Operations Fund	£400.00		
Tractor Maintenance Fund	£72.40		
Cromarty Rising Fund	£6,547.36		





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Agenda item 9.1 Appendix C

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Agenda Item 9 - Victoria Hall Report

1. Finances and Bookings Nothing new to report.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

2. Repairs and Maintenance We have a few leaks, the main one being in the ceiling of the hall. Although no water is evident, there is staining to the ceiling caused by missing tiles on the roof. This has been reported to the Highland Council. For their response, please see below. The delayed replacement of the main hall lighting is due to be completed in 2018. When the wok is undertaken, a new fuse-board will be fitted and wiring for a new PA system.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

3. **Highland Council/Highlife Highland** Still nothing new to report. We have now received no response to any maintenance calls for over a year. This includes the latest water penetration due to missing tiles, mentioned above. We have now officially asked Di Agnew to intercede on our behalf. However, after nearly a month there is still no response.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

4. Youth Café We have now appointed a new Assistant Youthworker. Her name is Natalie Murray, and for those who do not know her, she lives in Cromarty. She has settled in well and seems to be very popular with the Youth Café members. Attached is her first Youth Café Report.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

Alan Plampton

VHMC.



Cromarty Youth Cafe Youth Worker Report Month: August 2018

Summary of activities

Rowing

There has been rowing every week with at least 20+ young people. It has been good weather and there have been lots of improvements in each of them.

Rock Hunting

There was around 20 young people at this event. It wasn't great weather but they stuck at it. It was good to get their creativity going.

Middleton Trust Meeting

I received a very warm welcome from the family of the Middleton Trust and the committee, it was lovely to meet them all.

Community Council

I took GM our new Youth Rep along to the Community Council. We have been working this last couple weeks on issues, concerns and good news which we will be taking to the next meeting.

Mental Health

I had Mental Health training in Alness. It was very interesting and I learnt different ways to get people talking. I'm very keen to work on Mental Health, so I'm delighted to be a part of the current group working on The Scotland's First Aid Mental Health course SOA Level 5.

Youth Strategy 2018

We got a lot of young people to fill out a survey on Youth Work in their community, it was great for feedback.

Equality and Diversity

I'm working with a group young people on how we can make our community a more welcoming and accepting place, making sure that everyone is equal. We are also going to be working on period poverty.

Disclosure

I received my PVG so I am able to run the Youth Café and work with the young people of Cromarty.

Leadership

I will be doing a leadership course for a Sports Leadership Qualification and I'm also helping the young people to work towards their leadership awards with volunteering.

Child Protection

I had a Child Protection Course booked but it was cancelled so it was been rescheduled for the 17th of September.

Golden Time

I did an hour of Golden Time at Cromarty Primary which gave me a good chance to meet all of the juniors and to find out what they would like to see happening at Youth Café.

Evidence of activities (Photos)





Impact of activities

Young people as a result of these activities are a lot more **confident**, they're **happier** and they are learning responsibility and respect. They are participating in the community more and going outside of their comfort zone to get involved and try new things.

I've done a lot of consultations with the young people in parks, down the beach and whenever I see them on the street to get a flavour of what it is they are wanting to do at Youth Café or even through the week when nothing is on.

A lot of our young people are achieving awards whilst doing all of these activities as well which is motivating them to do better and get more involved.

Additional Information (if appropriate)

Plans for September will include -

Child Protection course for our young leaders and volunteers.

Natalie Murray Assistant Youthworker Cromarty Youth Café