	Fortrose and Rosemarkie Community Council Meeting Wednesday 9 th March 2016 7pm Black Isle Leisure Centre	
	Present: I Brown, A Phillips, B Taylor, T Heath, A MacLeod Highland Cllr D Alston	
1	Apologies: G Phillips, L Tonkin, S Atkin	
2	Points from the Public Janet Grey and members of Breathe presented plans for a Festival on the Black Isle aimed at families. This would start as a one day event starting 2017 and possibly move to a weekend event. The group are talking to all CC's to judge support and to discuss possible venues. The CC suggested that road congestion could be a problem this side of Avoch on the A832, after a brief discussion the chairman thanked the group for attending and said that the CC would discuss further and contact them.	
3	Minutes of previous meeting Agreed proposed B Taylor seconded T Heath	
4	 Matters Arising Teenage driver education – ongoing 24 High Street – Kerry Hawthorn of HC sent briefing note, circulated. Neighbours are still concerned about condition of building long term. HC have done minimum needed. B Taylor to speak to Hugh Penney. Cllr. Alston explained that CPO would be very complex and possibly lengthy process. Photographs of Ward 10 Councillors still needed for website but it may be possible to take from HC website. CC members to send G Phillips brief bio. and picture. Cllr Fraser to report on 20mph for Rosemarkie. Academy Street – no action yet on drain. G Phillips and B Taylor met re mapping of problem areas and posters are up. No response as yet. Information will be passed to BICC when available. A Phillips has submitted report on Seniors lunch and details of beach cleans to Ross-shire Journal. 	B Taylor G Phillips B Taylor
5	Police Matters Report from Gavin Sim circulated. Accident at Fairy Glen Bridge not mentioned. Traffic lights now in place.	
6	Licensing This is one of statutory areas for CC. Although we rarely receive notifications we will note on Agenda. Cllr. Alston suggested writing to Clerk to Licensing Board for clarification of exactly what should be notified to CC.	
7	Communication All of those involved unable to attend. G Phillips had circulated notes previously, no further report. New Facebook page up and running. Website – new site should have pages for CC only. Social media to show powers and duties of CC.	

8	Chairman congratulated everyone on work so far. One off newsletter go out asap. Agreed S Atkin to be asked to prepare, distribution to local shops, library etc as well as going on website and facebook. Internal emails – consider if need to send to all. Anything representing views of CC should be seen by all. Those at meeting were happy to do own screening rather than miss something important. Finance Main a/c £1014.96 Charitable Fund £1746.69 No outstanding payments. Transfer of surplus at 31.3.16	
9	Planning 1. T Heath circulated list of plans current in area. 15/03033/FUL Greenside test holes being dug – still serious concerns re drainage. Transport Scotland decision – FOI papers circulated – still no details material changes to traffic assessment to warrant change in decision. T Heath to prepare briefing to send to planners. 2. 15/03046/FUL Care Home application still under consideration. Residents have contacted the CC about a phone survey which just asks if you support a care home in Fortrose without giving the chance to qualify as to exactly where. 3. 15/04360/FUL retrospective has been granted on the grounds that if planning had been requested originally it would have been given. No Sanctions. 4. CC very concerned that this means you can build without planning permission if you think it would comply with planning regs. Cllr Alston explained that there is no provision in planning law to set sanctions such as a fine for not following procedure. There is a change of use with planning where residential use has been in place for several years. 5. T Heath has requested CC as statutory consultee for new Ness Gap plans, request needs to made within 7 days of application. 6. Fisherman's salmon path has been surfaced but the adjacent land drains shown on Tullochs plans are not in place. P Waite Footpaths Officer is following up. 7. CC concerned over Ness Gap, still no play areas, extra houses applied for and drainage plans not complied with. T Heath to draft letter. 8. Ship to Ship Oil Transfer at Sea – no further update yet. 9. T Heath commented on response from one of HC Cllrs who wanted to know who had said they were unable to attend public meetings in case they were influenced and when.	
10	Roads and Pavements 1. Fisherman's Path detailed above. 2. Fortrose/Avoch old railway path – Avoch and Killen taking lead, boundary means very little at Fortrose end. T Heath to contact P Waite	T Heath

	about recommendations for surface before we commit to any help. 3. Potholes – losing battle. Serious concerns expressed about dangers to pedestrians, cyclists and damage to vehicles. 4. T Heath to contact P Waite about potential for formalising the access from the bottom of Feddon Hill to old railway line	T Heath
11	BICC 1. Broadband – CC's looking for answer for Black Isle.L Tonkin investigating Vodaphone scheme in Cromarty however it only benefits those on Vodaphone. 2. Speed control exercise as done in Culbokie agreed in principal however public meeting required to ask for mandate.	
12	Correspondence 1. Questionnaire received from Police Scotland to be circulated. 2. Scotland Community housing Trust has requested contact details. 3. Bitt planning to create a formal tourist group for Black Isle. They want to discuss Black Isle project.	
13	1.Minute Secretary – B Taylor suggested paying minute secretary. A Phillips said she was planning to step down as secretary at AGM but she was concerned about appointment of a paid a minute secretary when CC members did so much more work and unpaid. B Taylor to prepare tender. 2. Draft CC minutes to be approved by office bearers to go out within two weeks but clearly shown as drafts. Agreed minutes to go on website. 3. Fortrose Noticeboard. B Taylor and I Brown responsible. I Brown to put up minutes. Consideration to be given to a more prominent site. 4. Beach Clean – A Phillips has requested pickers ,gloves and bags from HC, she will supervise Rosemarkie on 12 th March B Taylor to supervise Fortrose.	
14	Chairman thanked Cllr Alston for attending and listening.	
	Date of next meeting Wednesday 13th April 7pm	