



# Fortrose and Rosemarkie Community Council

## Minutes

**Meeting: Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2017. Fortrose Leisure Centre, Fortrose.**

CC Members Present: Sarah Atkin (SA), Anne Phillips (AP), Iain A C Brown (IACB), Tom Heath (TH), Lucy Tonkin (LT)

Highland Councillors: Craig Fraser (CF), Gordon Adam (GA), Jennifer Barclay (JB)

Apologies: Douglas Stuart (DS), Gareth Phillips (GP)

### 1.0 Welcome & Apologies

Welcome to newly elected and re-elected Highland Councillors.

### 2.0 Minutes of Last Meeting

Proposed, IACB. Seconded, TH.

### 3.0 Matters Arising

3.1 Photographs of pot holes. Ongoing. **Action: TH**

3.2 Reminder about residents parking on Rosemarkie High Street. Facebook post required. C/F **Action: TH**

3.3 Engagement day report. Now new Highland Cllrs elected put out on FB. C/F **Action: SA**

3.4 Dog bin map and LT to take responsibility for ordering bags. C/F **Action: LT**

3.5 Bus speeds – Stagecoach & D&E. **Action: SA**

3.6 Tulloch Homes planning gain. Urgent letter to be sent. C/F **Action: SA/TH**

3.7 Planning issue, East Watergate. C/F **Action: TH**

3.8 Third Sector Interface Partnership meeting 19<sup>th</sup> May. C/F **Action: AP**

3.9 Highland Council requests for more street names. Appeal to public for suggestions via Facebook. **Action: SA/TH**

3.10 Fracking consultation, Facebook post required. C/F **Action: TH**

3.11 Highland Council grass cutting is now in-house.

### 4.0 Correspondence

- Public Consultation on Improving Parking email circulated

<https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/road-policy/improving-parking-in-scotland>

- Fire Service Inspectorate survey re: relationship between CC and fire service. AP to circulate. **Action: AP**

- Village of the Year competition: as judge has interest in both villages this was not followed up.

### 4.1 Secretary's Report

- Black Isle Swimming Pool meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017, well attended meeting.

Decision was taken to find people to move the charity forward, gather information and determine if this is a viable option. AP to enquire again in 3 months to find out if

ingathered funds can be reallocated to expenditure other than the swimming pool.

**Action: AP C/F September '17.**

- BIG Application form. AP to send. **Action: AP**

#### 4.2 Points from the Public

- A member of the public has heard that Parklands may not undertake to provide day care or respite care in their new application. CC to check planning application when it is submitted and to check whether this relates to planning issues. **Action: CC**

- Complaints about overgrown bushes on Marine Terrace/Campsite. CF has raised this as a service request. CC to enquire about dealing with this. **Action: CC**

#### 5.0 Treasurer's Report

##### As at 10 May 2017

[1] The FRCC Charitable Funds account has been renamed the FRCC Community Projects account

[2] A sub-account has been opened within Community Projects for the Fortrose Cathedral Community Project; all profits to return to the community.

[2] Income and Expenditure to 10 May 2017:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Community Projects</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Opening Balance	£ 1,866.51	£ 2,246.69	<b>£ 4,113.20</b>
			<b><u>£ 1,338.82</u></b>
Closing Balance			<b><u>£ 2,774.38</u></b>

[3] Expenditure: Anticipated with estimates

##### Comments

Beach Clean                      £ zero                      no expenditure costs  
Hustings                                      £                                      awaited, a shared cost, a possible £60

Total estimated                      - **£ TBC**

##### **Consequent, estimated balance**

**£ 2,774.38**

[4] Expenditure considerations

Replacement/Additional Christmas lights -    £ cost of approx. £170 each  
Hanging Baskets £ cost of approx. £30 per basket

Agreed an additional 4 or 5 hanging baskets to be purchased (with more if public come forward to look after them.) Facebook post to ask for a hanging basket coordinators in each village. **Action: TH**

Christmas lights were discussed. Suggested Facebook appeal. C/F to June meeting.

#### 6.0 Police Report (as read)

6.1 The following are the crimes, offences and antisocial behaviour and other incidents of note dealt with between 15/03/2017 and 12/04/2017

- 1 x Mental health issue (Fortrose)
- 1 x Obstruct Police (Rosemarkie, Male arrested)
- 2 x Noise complaints (Rosemarkie)
- 2 x Travelling Encampment (Fortrose)
- 1 x Drug Seizure (Fortrose)
- 1 x Scam Telephone calls from BT (Fortrose)
- 1 x Disorder
- 1 x Sudden Death (Fortrose)
- 1 x Speed checks (Fortrose)
- 1 x Vandalism (Fortrose)

Speed checks will continue in the area when duties allow including the 40 zone between Fortrose/Rosemarkie.

Foot patrols have been carried out in Rosemarkie and Fortrose.

During the past month Dingwall Police have received 649 calls with 39 being in this area.

**6.2** The following are the crimes, offences and antisocial behaviour and other incidents of note dealt with between 12/04/2017 and 08/05/2017:

- 1 x Disqualified Driver (Rosemarkie)
- 1 x Domestic incident (Fortrose)
- 2 x Noise complaints to Plough Inn (No issue on police arrival)
- 1 x Shop Lifting (Fortrose)
- 1 x Misuse 999 system (Fortrose)
- 1 x Missing person enquiry (Fortrose)
- 1 x Mental Health matter (Fortrose)

Speed checks will continue in the area when duties allow.

Foot patrols have been carried out in Rosemarkie and Fortrose.

During the past month Dingwall Police have received 598 calls with 41 being in this area.

Notice from Area Inspector to go on Facebook Page. **Action: SA**  
SA to seek clarification of “mental health issues” as it’s used frequently.

**7.0 Planning**

- 7.1 Greenside Farm 15/03033:
- i) No formal consent has yet been posted which it is believed means that discussions on planning conditions are ongoing.
  - ii) Following our letters to Steve Barron (expressing concern about developer bias) and Stuart Black (a formal complain that issue raised by the CC and public had been effectively ignored) we received a response from Malcolm Macleod (Head of Planning and environment).
  - iii) We rejected the response as not addressing the issues and further complained that the original recipients had neither replied directly nor were they copied in on the letter we did receive.
  - iv) As a consequence of this further letter, the issue (Complaint ref: HC0822-2487) has been “upgraded” to stage 2 in the Council Complaints procedure and Steve Barron has promised to investigate
  - v) Kate Forbes MSP and Ian Blackford MP have been copied in on correspondence.
- 7.2 Tulloch Homes: Application to redirect footpath after new houses have been added, proposed to go through Matheson Drive connecting to Greengates. TH has requested CC be a consultee. Awaiting report. **Action: TH**

## **8.0 Licensing: nothing to report**

## **9.0 Ward Update**

9.1 Bus Services: Culbokie Community Action Group meeting was well attended, report was sent to Highland Council and Kate Forbes MSP. SA to publish Facebook post to facilitate public feedback after initial 3 months of the new timetable and also circulate forms in local outlets. **Action: SA**  
Councillors to arrange Ward meeting following CC feedback facilitation.

## **10.0 Communication/Operational Issues/Social Media**

- 10.1 Minutes Secretary Position: Advertised. Solo applicant Isla Mackay has taken up the post on a 3 month trial period.
- 10.2 Co-Opted Members: FRCC aiming to bridge skills gap. Voted on co-opting DS as member, carried on unanimous vote. SA to enquire again whether previous applicants would be interested in being involved as the other co-opted members or as an Associate. **Action: SA**
- 10.3 Website: separate meeting required. Plan of action (with timescale) to complete and update web site urgently required. **Action: SA/LT/GP**

## **11.0 Community Issues**

- 11.1 Bank closure: Suggestion that a mobile service will replace the bank and serve both villages. ATM location discussed. SA to enquire to Bank of Scotland re future of the ATM anchored to Fortrose High Street. **Action: SA**
- 11.2 Election Hustings: Very well attended, thank you to Rory Mair for Chairing.
- 11.3 Common Good Report: Separate meeting to be held with individual issues on agenda for June meeting.
- 11.4 Fortrose Pre-School have requested we advertise their Baby Sale on Facebook.  
**Action: SA**

## **12.0 AOB**

- 12.1 D&E bus driving to Chanonry Point against advisory signage. SA to call D&E.  
**Action: SA**
- 12.2 Suggestion for signs to be made for summer shuttle bus service. Can FRCC contribute to the costs? SA to investigate costings. **Action: SA**
- 12.3 Brighten up Rosemarkie: AP has contacted SWRI and the scouts. Planning to contact the Horticultural Society and Chanonry Scouts. Army Cadets have contacted FRCC to help generally. AP will contact them. AP will apply to for funding for garden tools via Paths for All funding source. **Action: AP**

## **13.0 Date of Next Meeting**

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2017. Gordon Memorial Hall.  
Public Surgery – 6 - 6.45pm  
AGM – 7pm, CC Meeting to follow.