



# Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Meeting Agenda

Catterline School (Hall) – 19:30

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025

# Agenda



1. Attendees and Apologies
2. Previous Meeting and Action Points
3. Coastal Path Update
4. Police Update
5. Community Funding and Kincardineshire Development Partnership (KDP)
6. Treasurer Report
7. New Planning Applications and Updates
8. Correspondence
9. Roads and Transport
10. Catterline Braes (CBAG)
11. A.O.B



## Attendees and Apologies

- Attendees

Duncan Grassick (Chair), Rob Plummer (Vice-Chair), Piet voor de Poorte (Treasurer and Webmaster), Callum Chesshire, Chris Wicks, Cllr Allison Evison, Cllr George Carr, Eeva-Kaiser Arter, Cllr Dawn Black, Cllr Sarah Dickinson, James and Caspar (Platinum Jubilee Coastal Path)

- Apologies

Duncan Talbert, Phil Murray

### List of potential attendees

#### Community Councillors:

Duncan Grassick (Chair)  
Rob Plummer (Vice-Chair)  
Duncan Talbert (Secretary and Planning Secretary)  
Piet voor de Poorte (Treasurer and Webmaster)  
Eeva-Kaisa Arter  
Chris Wicks

#### Associate Members:

Phil Murray  
Callum Chesshire

#### Other:

Cllr George Carr  
Cllr Allison Evison  
Cllr Tracey Smith  
Nichola Wicks  
Scott Begg (UCW Energy)  
Tim Stephen (Aberdeenshire Council)



## Previous Meeting Action Points

Approval of January Minutes: Approved – Pieter voor de Poorte Seconded – Eeva-Kaisa Arter

Action Item	Description	Assigned to:	Due Date	Status
1	Review options to merge CKDCC, Harbour Trust, Gala and Friends of the Creel committees	Phil Murray	24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	To Do
2	Explore options to increase public awareness of funding opportunities with the CKDCC	All	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Ongoing
3	Discuss location of the proposed defibrillator at Mill of Uras with the local residents.	Chris Wicks	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2025	To Do
4	investigate replacement IT equipment for CC meetings.	Duncan Grassick	28 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2025	To Do

Updates as follows

1. Awaiting Phil to attend next available meeting
2. Ongoing but is being communicated where practical
3. Chris confirmed he has spoken with most of the residents around Mill of Uras and all so far have been in agreement with the proposed location of the Defibrillator attached to his house. Also confirmed that he will be happy to provide the equipment with power.
4. The school are currently using portable 'Clevertouch Screens' rather than fixed equipment (which could get damaged in the main hall from various potential activities). Therefore Mrs Fowler has passed on our details to the IT department to seek guidance as to what CKDCC can provide and to ensure compliance.



## Coastal Path Update



Coastal path is a 140 miles stretch running from Angus in the South to Cullen in the North. In regards to the local section of the path, a few sticking points with some of the land owners remain at Johnshaven, North of Stonehaven and around Catterline.

The path route which currently avoids the land where issues remain is largely complete. Plan is to get to Kinneff Old Church and weave way to Todhead and then on the coast to Catterline. It was noted that livestock farms are generally trickier to navigate than arable farmland. The path will be arriving in the village around the water works area. Leaving the village North remains under consideration with an alternative to use the road. Crawton area is okay with only RSPB approvals still needed then the path is good to Dunnottar (still need approvals from them also) and how to deal with the area around the war memorial.

The next Local Development Plan could be a consideration for making land available for this path.

Wind farm funding in the future will certainly be required for things like signs and fence posts/installation. Also for a bridge and stairs around the den up to the water works in Catterline.

As things stand, the path might need to utilise the road on sections but this can be changed in the future should circumstances improve.

James and Caspar asked our opinion on if the footfall in Catterline should be on the coast side or on the road to which it was agreed that the coastline has a significant viewing advantage.

Car parking remains a concern in the area. Considerations for where the 'access points' to the path throughout the route are currently being thought out. Catterline could be a starting point/end point if the Creel was open, with parking available at Catterline Primary School outside school hours.

Other consideration:

- There could be possible land that could be purchased in Crawton.

- Public toilets consideration – one will be placed between St. Cyrus and Johnshaven as a trial.
- Crawton has a dangerous junction with the A92.

James and Caspar are also looking for volunteers for activities such as ranging (walking the path regularly) and ongoing required maintenance.

It was requested to have a copy of the proposed route forwarded to CKDCC.



# Police Report

## January local report;

Anti-social Behaviour calls within the Coastal Road area for the months as follows:

- There were four instances of Anti Social Behaviour and two instances of Youth Disorder.

### Acquisitive Crime

- There was one instance of Theft which is Under Investigation.

### Drink/Drug Driving

- There was one instance of drink/drug driving detected.

### Dangerous Driving

- There was one instance of dangerous driving detected.

### Careless Driving

- There were no instances of careless driving.

Stonehaven snapshot – 17 antisocial calls and two youth disorders. One theft (under investigation), five reports of shoplifting (under investigation), and one reported housebreaking/attempt (under investigation). Three drug/drink driving (under investigation), no dangerous driving and no careless driving.

# Community Funding and KDP

## Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund

- Previous balance current account
  - £4,194.42
- Expenditures
  - none
- Income
  - none
- Updated balance
  - £4,194.42

St John's Hill Wind Farm Community Fund Open until 31<sup>st</sup> March,  
with **£23,383.73** available for the CKDCC area



ACTION Duncan G – Communicate with Catkins to see if they may require equipment in which funding could be applied for.

It was asked what is the remaining value in the Catterline School funds from a previous donation that was given a number of years ago (which was used to buy/install the log cabin in the back of the school) as well as who administrates it – this was unknown by the meeting attendees.

It was agreed to ringfence money for defibrillator from the Upper Criggie Wind Farm fund for an installation at the Mill of Uras



# Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
  - £3,787.54
- Expenditures
  - none
- Income
  - none
- Updated balance
  - £3,787.54



## Planning Applications



- New applications:
  - New shed at Uras Farm – Decided, prior approval not required.
  - Retention of dwelling house at Druidsdale Barras, without compliance with occupancy condition.
- Updates:
  - None
  - CKDCC submitted an objection to the proposed BESS at Barras. (App/2024/0102). No decision on this application as yet.



## Correspondence

- 29 January response from ASDA to Chair re community funding – pay attention to news of new funding rounds.
- 29 January - notice of training for community councils on renewable energy developments, dates TBA.
- 31 Jan – Police asking for contacts who would like info on Scams.
- 6 February – KDP questionnaire. Is there a volunteer to complete this on behalf of CKDCC?
- 10 February – Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan Consultation. Consultation closes 24 March.
- 19 February Notice of Community Council Forums in 2025, June in person, December on line.
- 19 February – notice of opening of applications for Kincardine and Mearns Coastal Fund. Closing date 6 April 2025. Grants up to £49,999 requires 10% match funding.

CKDCC Secretary to receive e-mails on Scams from the Police if not already. ACTION Duncan T to ensure these e-mails are being received.



## Roads and Transport

- Emergency Closure of B974 Cairn O'Mount road at Spittal Burn Bridge until 26 May.

## Catterline Braes



- Enquiry via GCU for a potential trial of a novel coastal erosion protection solution
- Modular and scalable, so could be particularly well-suited to Catterline Bay (restricted access)
- Meeting to be organised over the next few weeks

Insepraball is currently looking for partners for trialing their coastal erosion solution. Pieter to meet with them mid March to review the area and discuss options for a partnership.

Consideration to involve the coastal team set up by Aberdeenshire Council once a little more is known about the group.

Any Other Business



Next meeting Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025

CKDCC insurance needs renewing. ACTION Duncan T to start the renewal process.