



Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Business Meeting - Minutes
Catterline School (Hall) – 19:30
Tuesday 24th June 2025

Agenda

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



Attendees and Apologies

- Attendees

Rob Plummer, Duncan Grassick (Chair), Cllr George Carr, Cllr Allison Evison, Eeva-Kaisa Arter, Duncan Talbert (Secretary), Nichola Wicks, Cllr Dawn Black, Chris Hay.

- Apologies:

- Piet voor de Poorte (Treasurer and Webmaster)
- Phil Murray,
- Chris Wicks
- Callum Cheshire

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

Nichola Wicks

Phil Murray

Callum Chesshire

Other:

Cllr George Carr

Cllr Allison Evison

Cllr Tracey Smith

Scott Begg (UCW Energy)

Tim Stephen (Aberdeenshire Council)



Previous Meeting Action Points

Approval of May Minutes: Approved – Piet voor de Poorte Seconded – Eva Kaisa Arter

Action Item	Description	Assigned to:	Due Date	Status
1	Review options to merge CKDCC, Harbour Trust, Gala and Catterline Community Benefit Society committees. Phil to give update when next at CC meeting.	Phil Murray	24 th Sept	To Do
2	Explore options to increase public awareness of funding opportunities with the CKDCC	All	28 th Jan	Ongoing
3	Investigate replacement IT equipment for CC meetings. Mrs Fowler has passed CKDCC details to the IT department to determine what CKDCC can provide. (March meeting DG awaiting feedback from Mrs Fowler. May meeting)	Duncan Grassick	28 th Jan 2025	Ongoing
4	Organise defibrillator to be installed at Mill of Uras	Piet voor de Poorte	24 th June	To Do
5	Councillor Carr to copy relevant correspondence re Catterline Braes to Aberdeen CC to Facilitate support for CBAG work.	Councillor Carr	21 st April	To Do
6	Arrange a meeting of CKDCC, CBS, Harbour Trust, CBAG, to determine if there is benefit in working together, obtaining umbrella insurance, etc. (See action 7)	Duncan Grassick	21 st April	To Do
7	Contact Gemma Morrison to check whether it is permissible for the community council to work with or integrate with other bodies such as the CBS, CBAG and harbour Trust.	Duncan Grassick	29 June	To Do
8	Check if the secretary is receiving invites to the CC forum	Duncan Talbert	26 August	To do

Item 1 As Phil Murray was not at the meeting, no progress report was available for Action 1. Duncan Grassick will contact Phil to ask for an update at the next meeting.

Item 2 Duncan Grassick and Eeva-Kaisa Arter K attended the KDP AGM last week. We could consider using the KDP spotlight as a means of publicising CKDCC initiatives. We should also consider local Facebook groups, e.g. the Mill of Uras FB group, Catterline online, and potentially a stand at the Catterline festival weekend. A question was raised regarding whether the Catterline and Kinneff websites might be combined.

Item 3 Duncan Grassick followed up this item with Mrs Fowler. She is happy for CKDCC to provide a large monitor / TV screen that can be used for CKDCC meetings and for the school, as per the screens that have recently been installed in some classrooms. Duncan Grassick will obtain costs.

Item 4 – see AOB

Item 5 This item is ongoing – communication with infrastructure, coast protection, roads chief exec.

Item 6 see Item 1.

Councillor Black took a number of actions from the May meeting which were not recorded in the May minutes. These actions were to raise the following issues with the relevant roads officers in Aberdeenshire council;

- Hazards at the Gallaton farmhouse access road junction with the A92, due to the speed of traffic and limited visibility.
- Better signage on the Crawton access road and the road past Dunnottar Castle advising drivers of limited parking and turning opportunities.

- Restricted visibility around the Dunnottar woods car park due to vegetation.

Councillor Black has raised these issues, but had received no response by the time of the June CKDCC meeting. These may be due to officers being extremely busy implementing the 20 mph speed limit in built up areas.

Other roads issues were raised. These are minuted on the Roads and Transport page.



Police Report

May local report;

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

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

Acquisitive Crime

- There were no instances of Theft or Motor Vehicle theft. There were three instances of Shop Lifting (all detected). There were two Housebreakings/Attempts one of which is detected and one under investigation.

Drink/Drug Driving

- There were no instances of Drink/Drug Driving.

Careless / Dangerous Driving

- There were no instance of Careless or Dangerous Driving.

Stonehaven snapshot – 18 antisocial calls and 16 youth disorders. No thefts, eight reports of shoplifting (six detected and two under investigation), no reports of housebreaking/attempt and no reported motor vehicle thefts. Three instances of Careless Driving (all detected), one Drug/Drink Driving (detected), and no instance of Dangerous Driving.

Community Funding and KDP

Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund

- Previous balance current account
 - £ 4,110.43
- Expenditures
 - none
- Income
 - none
- Updated balance
 - £4,110.43



- Hillhead of Auquhirie Wind Farm Community Fund open until the end of June



Points raised during June Meeting;

- The KDP AGM took place, minutes should be available online in due course.
- A question was raised regarding whether Kinneff Hall is in the Halls network.
- Grow Mearns is a potential future source of plants for flower-beds, etc. in the community.
- There is a "PAWS on Plastic" initiative encouraging dog walkers to pick up litter. [Home - Paws On Plastic](#)

Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
 - £3,240.34
- Expenditures
 - none
- Income
 - none
- Updated balance
 - £3,240.34



Planning Applications



- New applications:
 - Alterations to dwellinghouse at Kinneff Old Manse
 - Extension to dwellinghouse at Mill of Uras
- Updates:
 - Refusal for new dwellinghouse at Kinneff.



Correspondence

- 10/06. Aberdeenshire Council Mackie Academy Catchment Place Plan Survey
- 12/06. Learning Estate Aberdeenshire Council. Option Appraisal Survey for Kinneff School. (Forwarded to Members). AoB item for June CKDCC meeting
- 16/06. Aberdeenshire Council Coastal Communities Challenge fund. Grants of upto £49,999 to coastal communities.
- 18/06. NHS Grampian Public Involvement Network
- 19/06. Sectoral Marine Planning (Scottish Government) Notification of Consultation on Draft Sectoral Plan.
- 20/06. Aberdeenshire Council seeking volunteers for Local Action Group (LAG) committee. LAG is concerned with distributing Scottish Government grants. (Forwarded to Members)

- Individuals – DT speak to Leslie see if she needs a CC response.
- Some interest in repurposing Kinneff school as a community hall.
- Check requirements for coastal challenge fund – DG speak to Piet. Harbour trust,
- GC – coastal protection press release this week, some maintenance some new work for climate change.
- Forward sectoral marine plan to RP.
- Cllr A-E, interesting work going on NHS Grampian PIN. Semi rural areas need different service. Chance to get voices heard. Encourage people to get involved.



Roads and Transport

Points raised re roads and transport during the June meeting;

1. Duncan Grassick reported that potholes have been filled in. He urged everyone to keep reporting potholes and to copy the relevant councillors on the reports.
2. Cllr Evison advised that the Inverbervie A92 bridge may become single file with traffic lights. This could give rise to issues with traffic flow. There are concerns regarding queuing traffic blocking the zebra crossing particularly when children are going to and from school. In the event that the A90 is diverted through Inverbervie chaos could ensue. Councillor Carr advised that Aberdeenshire council budget is unlikely to stretch to a new bridge.
3. Various members reported having seen cars going the “wrong way” at the A957 / A92 Dunnottar woods junction.
4. Markings are to be made on the road at Dunnottar castle to highlight which side of the road drivers should use.
5. Eva Kaisa Arter raised the point that some signs may be misleading to tourists, e.g. the sign at the end of the Dunnottar castle road that states the road is closed “beyond” the castle. Similarly the sign at the bottom of the hill on the A957 in Dunnottar woods could be clearer if it indicated access to the castle via the A 957, rather than stating “no access” via the minor road immediately uphill of the pedestrian crossing.

Catterline Braes



- Preparing to kick-off work scope with GCU
- Still exploring funding routes for a potential “InsepraBALL” coastal erosion protection trial

Any Other Business/1



- Mill of Uras Defib
 - Costs
 - IPAD SP1 inc. enclosure via St Johns, cost to CKDCC; £1000
 - Costs from defibstore.co.uk

Defib cost analysis over a 10 year period			
Prices and information sourced from defibstore.co.uk			
Device	ZOLL AED Plus	ZOLL AED 3	IPAD SP1
Purchase Price	£1,134.00	£1,494.00	£1,104.00
Battery life	up to 5 years	up to 5 years	up to 4 years
Pad Life	up to 1.5 years	up to 5 years	up to 3 years
Combined adult/child pads	no	yes	yes
Battery Price	£66.00	£153.60	£246.00
Pads Price	£67.20	£178.80	£67.20
Child Pads Price (if applicable)	£112.80		
Over 10 years	£2,287.20	£1,826.40	£1,629.80
Plus outdoor heated enclosure, applicable to all: £570			

- Vote to approve IPAD SP1

Points arising at meeting;

The meeting voted to approve the expenditure for a Defib at Mill of Uras.

Any Other Business/2



- Hillhead of Auquhirie Decision Panel substitute attendee.
- Kinneff School Survey: engage.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/kinneff-school Closes 11 July.
- Next meeting

Points raised at meeting;

- Eva Kaisa Arter volunteered to be the substitute attendee at the Auquhirie decision panel.

Next meeting September 30.