

BELHELVE COMMUNITY COUNCIL



APPROVED MINUTES of MEETING 16th January 2023 Balmedie Leisure Centre & Online Teams

Chair: David Wallace; **Vice Chair:** Alex McIntyre **Treasurer:** Ewan Phipps
Secretary: John Fletcher **Planning Reporter:** Graham Middleton
Communications Coordinator: Carlyne Wood

Members Present: D Wallace, J. Fletcher, G Middleton.
Members Online: E Phipps D McKendrick H Foxen C Wood
Apologies: G Drummond, A McIntyre

Formartine Area Councillors Present: Cllr D Ritchie, Cllr Nicol
Formartine Area Councillors Online: Cllr Johnston
Apologies Cllr A Hassan

Visitors: None

1. Apologies & Introductions of any Visitors/Attendees

All attendees were welcomed and asked everyone that all matters be addressed through the chair.

2. Chairmans Opening Remarks

This meeting is a BCC Hybrid Meeting, Face to face and online Teams.
Chair asked if anyone wants to record this meeting, please make a request to do so prior to the meeting starting. No requests made.
Two items dropped from Agenda, A Morton (Belhelvie) still not in attendance and C Dryburgh (Barratts), and will be on the February 2023 Agenda

3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

None.

4. Police Matters & Report Review.

No Police presence or report available

Police advised to report all incidents even trivial ones to Police so they are being recorded and tell the BCC or BCC members so we can feed it back to the Police.

Report anonymously through the independent charity Crimestoppers 0800 555 111.

Contact Police on 101 or using the "Contact Us" form on the Police Scotland website

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/>

Safe Drive Stay Alive Campaign: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bjhWWYEdNoc>

ACTION in Progress: C Wood To give feedback from Friends of Balmedie School to C Anderson's speeding/education group meeting.

ACTION in Progress: C Wood to check for Police Scotland speeding campaigns and publicise through FB.

ACTION: M Smith (PS) to ask Roads Police team to check the Potterton hotspot to see if there are issues.

ACTION: C Wood to follow up with Ann Buchan on roads markings/signs and Police numbers on incidents in Potterton

ACTION Completed: C Wood to add M Smith (PS) meeting list/ contact list

ACTION Completed: C Wood to publicise Crimestoppers on FB

08090807060 <https://www2.sepa.org.uk/EnvironmentalEvents>

Police (non emergency) 101 Police /Fire Brigade (Emergency) 999

5. Visitors Items

No Visitors present

6. Planning Report (G. Middleton)

1 validated, new warehouse unit at Blackdog Industrial Estate
Solar Farm is planned for Newmachar not in the Belhelvie area, planning permission has been granted.

7. Treasurers Report (E Phipps)

No transactions in January

Coastal Communities round 5 now open, deadline 6th February 2023. To apply for notice board funding which will cover all settlements

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Villages & Towns Enhancements Grant all funds have now been distributed to respective settlements / report pending for prior year (J Fletcher).

8. Comments / Approval from the previous Meeting Minutes (J Fletcher)

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted They were slightly altered then proposed for approval by G Middleton and seconded by Hilary Foxen.

9. Matters arising from Previous Meeting(J Fletcher)

ACTION: C Wood to send MOM when received to all BCT members

ACTION Completed: C Wood republicized school zoning consultation before the deadline January 2023

ACTION: Resilience Support C Wood article for the next Banter edition with where to get help in an emergency, national and local numbers etc.

Upcoming meetings / training

BCT AGM and meeting - Monday 23 January 2023 - Forsyth Hall

The AGM will be at 7pm, followed by the two-monthly regular meeting at 7.30pm

Attending: Alex nominated to attend, Hilary to attend if weather OK

Formartine Area Committee - Tuesday 17 January (9.45am) - online

Education part of the agenda - agenda item 8 - 2022 Based School Roll Forecasts

Circulated to members

CC Forum - wed 8 February - 7pm online

Attending / speaking for BCC: D Wallace

ACTION Completed: C Wood circulated meeting link and documents to members

10. Covid Related Support Projects, Actions & Initiatives / Resilience Planning

ACTION Ongoing: C. Wood to update website and Facebook page to advertise that taxis are available for people who require them.

The Local Resilience Plan Update: short discussion on the organisation and what shape it will take and who would take the leading role.

ACTION Ongoing: D Wallace to organise a resilience meeting for all community groups who would be involved, perhaps at Forsyth Hall or Leisure Centre, possibly early 2023. (Note sent to Paul McKeown)

11. Landfill/ Greenfield/Other Projects

Landfill Tax fund to confirm timeline for next round of funding applications. BCC to apply as lead funder for separate project TBC by committee

12. General Projects Update

Park Bench Project, Benches have been stored at G Drummond's premises, paused due to weather.

Ongoing discussions as to actual siting of the benches in the villages. A template and plan have been formulated for installation, it is now weather dependant.

Still waiting to see when the SSEN fund opens so that the Leisure Centre may apply for a generator as part of the resilience planning.

13. External Meeting Report Back.

No meetings

14. Nomination for Future External Meetings

23rd January 2023 BCT AGM at 7:00pm then meeting at 7:30pm Forsyth Hall (H Foxen, A McIntyre)

17th January 2023 Formartine Area Committee, Agenda item 8 based on school Roll forecasts, circulated to all BCC members.

17th January 2023 Formartine Rural Partnership (H Foxen)

8th February 2023 CC Forum 7pm online, (D Wallace), link and documents circulated to all BCC members.

15. New Correspondence & Communication

21st December 2022 Solar farm planning proposal, Brian Diamond, AAH Planning based in York. We have been in contact with Aberdeenshire Council regarding a 24MW Solar Farm Proposal which we intend to submit after due consultation with relevant bodies and communities."

NOTE: Public Consultation Events at Newmachar Hotel, 24th January & 21st February 2023

NOTE: revised PAN sent to BCC,

ACTION Completed: circulated to all BCC members (12th January 2023):

9th January 2023 Hilary Foxen "I wanted to discuss the traffic and parking problem on Laingseat Road, Potterton"

ACTION Completed: Discussed at meeting, followed up with Roads Department on situation near nursery.

H Foxen to email details to be passed onto Roads Department.

For response see, <https://online.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/apps/roadfaults/Detail.aspx?ref=725904>

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10th January 2023 Warm Hub at Congregational Church

ACTION Completed: C Wood shared details on FB, informed BCC members, and added to the BCC website

ACTION Completed: C Wood In meeting decide whether we can help leaflet drop in villages and add poster to the notice boards, G Middleton can leaflet Blackdog, H Foxen some of Potterton, M Brown for Whitecairns., (Check if OK).

ACTION: Check if M Brown can help with Belhelvie and Whitecairns.

ACTION Completed: C Wood Warm hub posters for notice boards send round

ACTION Completed: C Wood Set up contact list for noticeboards

ACTION Completed: C Wood to send G Middleton Burns Supper poster

ACTION Completed: C Wood answered R Nicol question, does anyone know of other warm hubs being set up. Answer, no one has heard of anything agreed or directly

11th January 2023 Formartine Core Path Network Survey forwarded on by Cllr Hassan for information.

It is a condition survey, mapping and condition assessment of all core paths within the Formartine Area. The work is being undertaken by WSP consultants, and is due to be complete by the end of 3rd March 2023. This is to help inform any potential future Core Path Plan review and suggested priority actions to appropriately improve the network in the future.

16th January 2023 Community Building Energy Audits opportunity to have an audit with recommendations for improvements and potentially applying for funding.

ACTION Completed: C Wood posted on FB, sent email directly to R Nicol (BCT), Leisure Centre and Paul McKeown.

16th January 2023 Barratts feedback from C Dryburgh

ACTION Completed: to discuss at the meeting

16th January 2023 Adoption of Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2023

ACTION Completed: C Wood circulated to all BCC members

16. Any Other Business

Report on Improvements to the amenities of towns and villages 2022-2023, Report to be sent to C Young AC by the 31st January 2023 (J Fletcher).

Traffic and Parking problem on Laingseat Road Potterton, H Foxen's neighbour has spoken about the blind corner at Laingseat Road in front of the Community Council, AC Roads Dept had agreed to put double yellow lines to stop the parking in dangerous positions.

ACTION: H Foxen to write a note to C Wood then chase up AC Roads for the double yellow lines.

Discussion on the new primary school location, the AC meeting to decide the school position will be held on the 17th January 2023, the two areas defined are South Balmedie and Foveran.

15th February 2023 Cllr J Nicol has a Ward Surgery at Balmedie Library 04:30-05:30, note to be put on the small notice board at Potterton.

Meeting closed 20:29

NB These January 2023 minutes were approved at the 20th February 2023 BCC Meeting.

Next BCC Meeting Monday 20th March 2023 at 7:00pm venue Balmedie Leisure Centre and Online Teams Visitors welcome.

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