



Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council

Aberdeenshire Coastal Path Meeting & Business Meeting -
Agenda

Catterline School (Hall) – 19:00

Tuesday 24th February 2026

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1. 1900 Coastal Path
2. 1930 Business Meeting
 1. Attendees and Apologies
 2. Previous Meeting and Action Points
 3. Jubilee 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.



Coastal Path

- General concept
- Consultation regarding potential route options;
- Q&A with options (via QR code and paper copies) to follow up after the meeting.

Meeting commenced 30 mins earlier than our ordinary meeting to accommodate community engagement session with the Jubilee Coastal Path Project team.



Attendees and Apologies

- **CKDCC Attendees**
Duncan Grassick (Chair), Chris Wicks, Ross Williamson, Cllr George Carr, Cllr Sarah Dickinson, Phil Murray, Cllr Alec Turner, Eva-Kaisa Arter, Jonathan Davidson
- **Jubilee Path Project**
Casper Lampkin, Charis Duthie
- **Apologies**
Cllr Alison Evison, Duncan Talbert (Secretary), Cllr Dawn Black, Callum Cheshire, Rob Plummer, Cllr Tracey Smith

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 Cheshire

Other:

Cllr George Carr
Cllr Allison Evison
Cllr Tracey Smith
Cllr Dawn Black
Scott Begg (UCW Energy)
Tim Stephen (Aberdeenshire Council)
Chris Hay
Margot Van Ryneveld
Bruce Van Ryneveld
Ross Williamson



Previous Meeting Action Points

Approval of January Minutes: Approved – Chris Wicks Seconded – Eva Kaisa Arter

Action Item	Description	Assigned to:	Due Date	Status
1	a). Arrange a meeting to review options to merge CKDCC, Harbour Trust, Gala and Catterline Community Benefit Society committees with a view to realise the benefits of working together, obtaining umbrella insurance, etc. (See action 1 & 7) b). 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	a) Rob Plummer / Phil Murray b) Duncan Grassick	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. November Update: Duncan Grassick has discussed obtaining a 65" "Clear Touch" screen with the school, indicative cost is £1700 for the screen plus several hundred pounds for a stand. DG to agree final requirements with the school. January update: Duncan Grassick to follow up with school.	Duncan Grassick	26 th January 2026.	Ongoing

In relation to point 1, it was discussed that perhaps the best solution was to Integrate the other associations under Community Benefits Society, who can go to them for things like mutual insurance and assistance/submitting applications etc.

For point 3 it was agreed that CKDCC would be open to providing the required money to the school to allow them to make the purchase of equipment through the Aberdeenshire IT department. This would make the equipment compatible for the school for all required application.



Previous Meeting Action Points

Action Item	Description	Assigned to:	Due Date	Status
4a	Organise defibrillator to be installed at Mill of Uras. (November Update. The Defib has been received. The electrician has done the site survey and installation is imminent). January update: installation is waiting on the weather and availability of the electrician.	Piet voor de Poorte	24 th June	Ongoing
4b	Rob Plummer will chase the management at Dunnottar Castle for an update on progress with moving Defibs at the castle to locations which are accessible to the public 24/7. January update: Rob had a meeting in December with Dunnottar Castle management, this matter is still progressing.	Rob Plummer	24 February	Ongoing
5	Write to Aberdeenshire Council supporting free transport to Catterline School for all Kinneff catchment pupils irrespective of whether they attended Catterline school prior to mothballing Kinneff.	Duncan Grassick	26 January 2026	Complete
6	Confirm with Mrs. Fowler whether Kinneff school equipment is being used at Catterline. November Update – equipment from Kinneff school has been transferred to Catterline for use.	Duncan Grassick	14 November	Complete
7	Forward email correspondence re Grit Bins to Secretary. November Update see information at; How we decide where to place grit bins - Aberdeenshire Council	Clr Evison	14 November	Complete

For point 4a, an electrician has been arranged for the installation within the next couple of weeks.



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Action Item	Description	Assigned to:	Due Date	Status
8	Email Rob Plummer to ask him to explore the possibility of improved "Drive On The Left" signs at Dunnottar castle with the castle management November Update – Rob Plummer still to talk to Dunnottar Castle management. Including exploring the possibility of CKDCC sharing the cost of signage. Rob spoke to Dunnottar Castle management at a meeting in December. They are interested in a multilingual sign at the castle car park exit.	Rob Plummer	24 February	Ongoing
9	Respond to the consultation on Kinneff School closure to the effect that CKDCC feels that pupils in the Kinneff catchment should be directed towards attending Catterline School, rather than other schools.	Callum Cheshire	24 February	Ongoing
10	Follow up with Gordon Ritchie of Catterline Community Benefit Society on the return of the swings to the paly park.	Duncan Talbert	24 February	Ongoing

In terms of point 10, provided update for swings where the community will be provided with a vote (via the Aberdeenshire Council website) of what equipment is to be installed in Catterline Park.



Police Report

December:

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:				
	Youth Disorder		Anti-Social	
Coastal Road	0		0	
Stonehaven	2		7	
Acquisitive Crime: D – Detected UI-Under Investigation				
	Thefts	Shopliftings	Theft of motor vehicle	Housebreakings / Attempts
Coastal Road	0	0	0	0
Stonehaven	2D, 1UI	1D,2UI	0	2D
Road Safety & road crime: D – Detected UI-Under Investigation				
	Careless Driving	Drink/Drug Driving	Dangerous	
Coastal Road	0	1D	0	
Stonehaven	4D	0	1D	



Police Report

January:

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:				
	Youth Disorder		Anti-Social	
Coastal Road	0		0	
Stonehaven	6		11	
Acquisitive Crime: D – Detected UI-Under Investigation				
	Thefts	Shopliftings	Theft of motor vehicle	Housebreakings / Attempts
Coastal Road	0	0	0	0
Stonehaven	1UI	1UI	0	1D
Road Safety & road crime: D – Detected UI-Under Investigation				
	Careless Driving	Drink/Drug Driving	Dangerous	
Coastal Road	0	0	1D	
Stonehaven	3D	3D, 1UI	0	

Community Funding and KDP

Upper Criggie Wind Farm Fund

- Previous balance current account
 - £3,110.43
- Expenditures
 - none
- Income
 - none
- Updated balance
 - £3,110.43



St. John's Hill wind farm community fund open until 31st March 2026, with **£19,534** available to the CKD area



Proposal to utilise Upper Criggie fund for replacement defib pads at Catterline Community Church from a request directly from them (as this is not managed by CKDCC)
- This was approved by the Community Council

Catterline Community Benefits Society will be returning the unspent funds from their successful application last year.

Treasurer Report



- Previous balance current account
 - £2,893.34
- Expenditures
 - none
- Income
 - Aberdeenshire Council CC Grant 2025/26: £775
- Updated balance
 - £3,668.34



Planning Applications



- New applications:
 - Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse at Nether Toucks (APP/2026/0216)
 - Renewal of APP/2023/0342 Siting of Catering Van (APP/2026/0112).
- Updates:
 - Alterations and Extensions to Agricultural Building at Uras Farm – Decided Approved (APP/2026/0059)
 - Erection of 6 Dwellinghouses – Decided Withdrawn (APP/2025/1967)
 - Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse at Kinneff – Decided Approved (APP/2025/0905)



Planning Applications



- Although it is outside the CKDCC area, the council has been informed that application APP/2024/1951 (Construction and Operation of 400 kV Air Insulated Substation in Fetteresso forest) has been “Refused full planning permission”. The reasons are;
 - Visual impact
 - Potential adverse impact on the natural environment
 - Potential increase in surface water flooding risk



Correspondence

- SEPA flood risk management consultation opened 21st January and runs to 22nd April. (Notification received 27th January)
- Offer of free Scots Pine seedlings for landscaping.
- Webinar for Community Councils - Local Governance Review, Wednesday 25th February 6pm-7:30PM, Online via Microsoft Teams ([Link to register for this free event](#))
- The NHS Grampian Pharmacy Practice Committee (PPC) is currently looking to recruit lay representatives. (Notice received 04/02)
- Correspondence received from Aberdeenshire Council re the Catterline playpark swings advising that;
 - The project to replace the swings and the “multiplay structure” is supported under the Scottish Government “Renewal of Playparks” funding initiative.
 - This has been out to tender, with the tender period closing on 27/02. The tenders received will be posted on the “Engage Aberdeenshire” portal in mid March. The community will then have 2 weeks to comment on its preferred tender.

Cllr George Carr highlighted that the SEPA survey is important to highlight maintenance issues that may not be occurring any more in flood risk areas (this could include roads where drainage is no longer functioning)

Question to clarify what Lay means – this is a part time and generally unpaid position.



Correspondence

- Notice of face to face meeting re Kinneff School closure to be held on Tuesday 3rd March, 6pm at the Kinneff & Catterline Village Hall, Kinneff, (notice received 05/02)
- Bellrock offshore windfarm public consultation events;
 - Tuesday 3 March 2026, 1 - 8pm: Drumlithie Bowling Club, Station Road, Drumlithie, Stonehaven, AB39 3YT
 - Wednesday 4 March 2026, 1 – 8pm: Stonehaven Community Education Centre, Bath Street, Stonehaven, AB39 2DH
 - Thursday 5 March 2026, 1 - 8pm: St Cyrus Village Hall, Station Road, St Cyrus, Montrose, DD10 0BG
- Notice of LDP “Call for Ideas” consultation closure on 16 March.
- Final version of Aberdeenshire Community Councils joint funding statement received 18/02. CKDCC has expressed its support for the statement.



Roads and Transport

- Cllr Black contacted the roads department re the A957 / A92 junction.
 - Road markings will be reinstated as soon as possible
 - The junction does not meet the criteria for a STOP sign and therefore will remain GIVE WAY.

It was reiterated by the attending Aberdeenshire Councillors the fixmystreet.com website is the best way for getting roads repaired.

Jonathan brought up the road along by the school has a bad pothole – it was advised to report this via the [fixmystreet](http://fixmystreet.com) website.

Work on the corner near Catterline Grove which floods during heavy rain has been looked at previously and Aberdeenshire Councillors committed to getting this reviewed again. Scottish water are also involved and could be responsible.

Snow ploughs have cut up the verges but also kicked out stones/rocks (some large) that have caused inadvertent issues.

Catterline Braes



- Planning for inspections / maintenance of the braes in springtime
- GCU visit / site inspection planned for 3rd March

Any Other Business



Kinneff school closure meeting held 04/02

Next meeting Tuesday March 31st @19:30

Aberdeenshire Council are engaging community councils on how planning applications are reviewed and whether this should be done at a local level or centrally. It was discussed that local makes sense but this causes issues of advocating, deciding and conflicts of interest.