

Kincraig Community Council MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

Tuesday 8th July 2025 : 7pm Kinraig Community Hall, Wainford Room

Chair: Gary Culpan

Secretary: David Kinnear

Vice Chair: John Forbes-Leith

Treasurer: Susan Libeks

In attendance : Gary Culpan (GC); John Forbes-Leith (JFL); Susan Libeks (SL); Ian Ash (IA); Jonny Willett (JW); Jonny Freshwater (JF); Alan Cairns (AC); Kenny Deans (KD)

1 Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest :

Apologies: David Kinnear (DK), Russell Jones (RJ)

Declaration of interest JW re New application Alvie Estate

2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th June

Accepted & Proposed SL, Seconded by JFL

3 Matters Arising

Gary Culpan will be standing down as chair at the end of the meeting as he is leaving the area

JFL – happy to stand as Chair in the interim

JW happy to be co-opted – query regarding working in the area as opposed to residing in the area to be checked re councillor statues / Associate member: RJ to advise.

New people required for the committee

4 Planning & Roads

4.1 New applications:

25/02326/PNO – Erection of forestry related building Mid Delfour, Alvie Estate – neutral stance

24/02431/FUL – This application has been withdrawn re telecoms towers - noted

24/00348/FUL – This application has been withdrawn re telecoms towers - noted

4.2 Short term let applications: None

5 Reports

5.1 Treasurers Report presented at the meeting by SL, monthly changes +£4.69, balance of bank charges and interest only. Accounts total £13679.12 includes £13444.32 in the fund raising account.

5.2 Repairs update (IA)

Potholes still require action – already reported (IA)

Signage in progress for new speed limits church to Loch Insh - may take some time(RJ)

Feshiebridge & Tromie bridge repairs still outstanding – IA to report to RJ

Kincraig Bridge lights still not removed – IA to report to RJ

Bridge surfaces MacBean Road and roadside need resurfaced for safety – still awaiting feedback re ownership – IA to report to RJ

5.3 Police community liaison report

Written response received from police Liaison re Vandalism – sadly none of it had been officially reported so not actioned

IA to report re vandalism, graffiti and broken glass at the bridge A9 underpass near Ross's garage

IA to report damage to notice board (new one purchased to replace)

Stolen oil from Dalraddy food vans already notified.(JW)

6 Projects & Events

- 6.1 MacBean Road Bridge adoption by HC re fencing and bridge c/f to next meeting
- 6.2 Community Council Forum 17th June feedback – GC – meeting not attended
- 6.3 Spey access Meeting 16th June feedback – GC
The outcome was that Alvie estate and Loch Inch water centre are going to come back to the park with proposals to facilitate access and possibly thereafter, restrict access to the small car park adjacent to the church.
- 6.4 Bus Stop update RJ – in progress
- 6.5 Highland Windfarm update - will be a while
- 6.6 Welcome signage for village updates – C/f to next meeting
- 6.7 Community Clean
June 25th
Tidied up the Knoll, Path at pub done. Path Strimmed
July 23rd.
JW & JF to send people to strim alongside shinty pitch in advance
Focus on path beside shinty pitch – spade, barrows and edgers required on the night
Loch Inch to provide drinks, SL to sort foods afterwards
SL to do poster
- 6.8 Tree Planting by A9 JF-L – not possible according to transport Scotland
- 6.9 Next Fundraising Night 7th March 2026 planning starts Dec 26
- 6.10 BT phone boxes\
Adopt Feshiebridge (SL to action) – defibrillator possibility ? RJ
Ask to remove one at Café when it becomes redundant. Looking to replace by purchasing of a red one (JW & AC to action)
- 6.11 Sports Arena
Mark Lynch trying to find the money put aside for new nets from original committee.

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Community Briefing
- 7.2 BT phone box

8 Any Other Business

- 8.1 Defibrillator for Drumguish / Spey Bank / Feshiebridge – requested by community c/f to next meeting
Map of defibrillators in the area for the notice boards and link to the app – app needs updated to actual location so we can publish accurately. SL will provide the signage once app sorted
- 8.2 A9 layby bins – horrendously disgusting – bins need to be industrial size – rubbish everywhere as they are too small for purpose and not stable. BEAR Scotland and Highland Council, letter to be sent from Community Council. Big issue on this area near Kincaig. DK to action letter.
- 8.3 Primary School Link – Community Council to attend meetings – JF to take this on.
Work being done on improving access and safety at Alvie Primary School. New head teacher in place for new year.
- 8.4 Remembrance Sunday- sound system – price hiring a generator for sound (AC) C/f
- 8.5 Missing Council litter Bins – 2 missing in Kincaig, RJ to find out and report back
- 8.6 Wildfires – please be extra vigilant re fires – don't even have one in your garden. Be aware that sparks can set fire 200 metres away !! Disposable BBQs banned. Everywhere is very dry.

JFL Thanked Gary on behalf of the CC for his contribution and chairing and good luck for his future.

Next meeting Tuesday 12th August 2025