

Royal Burgh of Wick Community Council

Meeting Minutes

Location: Via Zoom

Date: Monday 5th June 2022

Time: 7pm

Present	Elected Members	Joanna Coghill	(JC)	Chairperson
		Allan Farquhar	(AF1)	Vice-Chair
		Wendy Campbell	(WC)	
		David Dunnett	(DD)	
		Doreen Turner	(DT)	
		Alastair Ferrier	(AF2)	
	Co-opted Members	Allan Bruce	(AB)	
		Roy Mackenzie	(RM)	
		Eswyl Fell	(EF)	
	Ex-officio Members	Raymond Bremner	(Cllr RB)	Highland Councillor
Non-Members	Jayden Alexander	(JA)	Secretary	
	Alan Hendry	(AH)	NOSN	

Apologies: Eswyl Fell

1. Welcome and Apologies.

JC welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies as per listed.

2. Adoption and Approval of Previous Minutes.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 10th January 2022 was circulated by JA.

These minutes were approved and adopted as follows, subject to the two amendments noted by JA:

Proposed By: WC

Seconded By: AF1

3. Report from Local Police

No report was received.

4. Highland Councilors' Report

Awaiting report.

5. Report from Noss Power Station (SSE Transmissions)

No report was received. JA is to liase with Sharon Powell with regards to arranging a site visit for members.

6. Update from Wick Development Trust

No update was provided due to no representatives being in attendance.

7. Update on East Caithness Community Campus and Noss Primary School

AF1 had received some correspondence from representatives in both Nairn and Tain with regards to some of their new buildings to compare to the current issues in the new campus building. AF1 had received confirmation that the panels at the side of the sports hall had been re-instated after the damage that was caused to them in the last storm.

8. Review of Monthly Correspondence List

All correspondence received by the Secretary is recorded. The correspondence list for June 2022 was circulated by JA. No queries were raised and JA confirmed that all correspondence had either been dealt with or was in hand.

9. Review of Action List

Some amendments to the action list were discussed and JA will amend the list accordingly for the July meeting.

10. Treasurer's Report.

Wick Community Market: TBC
Wick Christmas Lights: TBC
Wick Flower Baskets: TBC
HAPPY: £1,017.04

11. Community Council Sub-Group Reports.

- Friends of Wick Cemetery: WC confirmed that the group purchased a new lawnmower and the new roses are now starting to grow.
- Wick Community Market: AF1 stated that ten applications had been received for the next market, however, no bunting had been received from Wick Development Trust.
- Wick Christmas Lights: Due to the absence of CM no report was provided.
- Wick Flower Baskets: JC confirmed that planting was underway.
- Wick Paths Group: A report was provided by John Bogle in advance of the meeting: *"A very successful weekend was held upgrading the paths through the South Head Quarries, we are very grateful to all the volunteers who turned out to help, to local businesses who lent equipment—Subsea 7, MM Miller, Graham Begg and Alan Ross. Also we are very grateful to all the funders who chipped in to cover our costs—NHI, Rotary Club of Wick, RBWCC and a substantial anonymous donation. There has been a tremendous transformation in this area as can be seen from the photos. There is still some work left to do—the recycled plastic bench has been delivered but the site, half way up the cliff, needs to be prepared, the Stevenson's Breakwater needs to be weeded, the top path at the old Coastguard station needs to be dug out and stone laid and drainage needs to be improved at the Cairndhuna Well (a job for our resident drainage engineer—Brucer!), interpretive panels have to be designed, manufactured and installed. Fergus Mather is kindly re-painting the lettering on the stone monoliths. We are delighted that HC have awarded us £1,500 for this project and we have also been notified that we have been successful in getting a place on the Tesco Bags of Help scheme from 1st July, we would appreciate the support of CC members by placing their wee blue tokens in the Paths Group slot! "*
- HAPPY: AF1 said that there was nothing to report.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 4th July 2022 at 7pm, Mowat Room in Wick Assembly Rooms.