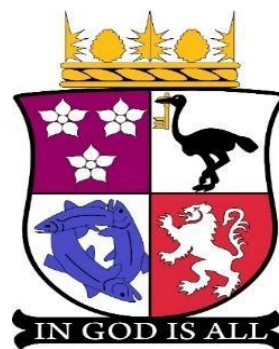


FRASERBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minute

Learning Room 2, Fraserburgh Community & Sports Centre

Tuesday 21 April 2026 at 6.30pm



Present:

Helena Gilbert	-	Community Councillor – Chair
Mike McDonald	-	Community Councillor – Vice Chair
Jane May	-	Community Councillor – Secretary
John Anderson	-	Community Councillor
Caroline Savage	-	Community Councillor
Kelly Thomson	-	Community Councillor (late arrival)
Bryan Wood	-	Community Councillor
James Smith	-	Community Councillor
Iain Sutherland	-	Ward 3 Elected member
Doreen Mair	-	Ward 3 Elected member
James Adams	-	Ward 3 Elected member
Cathy Ramsey	-	Community Warden
Laura Zelenskiene	-	Community Warden

Apologies:

Jodie Summers	-	Community Councillor – Secretary
Alistair Brown	-	Associate member
Martin McCathie	-	Associate member
Denise Taylor	-	Community Councillor
Anne Bell	-	Ward 3 Elected Councillor

1	Apologies & Declaration(s) of Interest
	The above apologies were noted.
2	Minutes of last meeting – Tuesday 17 March 2026
	Approved – Bryan Wood Seconded – John Anderson

There were no matters arising from previous minutes

3 Items of business / speakers

Kerry Fisher: Kerry sent her apologies but gave us a letter to read out, she has put forward that a crossing is required from the new housing estate on the other side of Boothby Road over to Buchan Road, she raised concerns that it is difficult to cross this road due to the heavy traffic and the area is used by the community regularly therefore would benefit from a safe crossing.

Cllr Mair advised that this has been discussed in the past, but they were waiting for the areas developments to be completed, but she would be happy to put this forward again. Cllr Adams also asked that Kerry email them directly with her issue so Jane will relay this message to her.

Funding for town Centre flowers/shrubs: As in previous years there is no longer funding from Aberdeenshire Council to cover the costs of flowers in the town center, the community council has applied for some grants but are still awaiting a response, It was agreed by the committee that we would put £200 aside for the purchase of flowers this year. Cllr Adams also asked us to send the community council bank details as he may know of some donations, Ken will pass this information on to him. We also discussed that this year we will ask that the flowers that are planted are more perennials with a small amount of bedding plants this will help keep the costs down in future years.

Police Scotland Report/Community Warden Report

Both Community warden attended the meeting, they informed us that they have been working alongside the Community Beat Officer to help crack down on parking issues and anti-social behavior issues starting in Sandhaven School, but they are looking to do more in other schools in the area.

They continue with their school parking patrols, and they advised that a crossing is to be installed outside St Andrew Primary School.

Pavement parking warnings are now being sent out and monitored.

They advised that they are in the shop watch Facebook group, this is used to warn other businesses of theft or anti-social behavior within the shops in the town Centre and out with, from here they can advise the business owners on what they should do when an incident arises.

	They are currently waiting on a renewal course and once this is complete, they will be able to raise fines for littering and dog fouling.
5	Action Sheet
	<p>Broch board installation: Board has now been installed inside Fraserburgh Football Grounds, Cllr Adams will organize a photo shoot in the next few weeks, and a plaque is to be installed giving information on the artist.</p> <p>FCC Banners James is finishing off the design before he orders.</p> <p>Town Centre Benches The wood has arrived, but we need a place to varnish the wood, JIC or a Council garage was suggested, Cllr Sutherland will look into this for us.</p> <p>Disability Bikes/ Wheelchairs A unanimous vote was made to agree that FCC will take ownership of both the bikes and wheelchairs. Gray and Adams are donating a large container to house the bikes/ wheelchairs and Reidfab and Andrew May Building Contractors will organise the installation of the base to hold the container as a donation. Bryan has sourced a 5-point harness for the beach wheelchair, and he is organising the shipment of this from America. A manual hoist will also be required so Bryan will investigate this.</p> <p>Pipe Band Event Cllr Bell has spoken to Linda Niven regarding dates for this, dates suggested are 31 July or 10 August 2027, this information has been sent to NESCOL and we will await their reply.</p>
6	Treasurer's Report
	<p>General Account £3137.33</p> <p>Beach Wheelchair fundraising – £4648.68 Still waiting to get Jane May on the account</p>
7	Sub Committee Reports

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter Picking – 4th & 5th Fraserburgh Boys Brigade were litter picking and successfully collected 17 bags of rubbish from James Ramsey Park/ Links area. • Project Group/ events group – Various activities happening each month with the Christmas events group, Facebook will be updated with these. <p>Kelly is still working hard to get the football pitches at the Academy; she is currently trying to get charitable status for their group to help move it forward.</p>
8	Update from Councilors
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Andrew School crossing should be in by September this year • Cllr Mair advised that Kirkwood Homes planning has now passed and there will be 175 New Houses and 38 social houses in the scheme. • Groundwork for the Harbour Masterplan is set to start in June/July this year, starting with 460m breakwater, this is the 1st phase and will improve the breakwater by 90%. • Cllr Sutherland followed up on the issue with the K-Rend on the Buchan Road area houses, the build-up of green algae is becoming an issue for the residents so Cllr Sutherland went out and took pictures of the properties and took them to the housing department who are going to look onto ways to clean this up. • It was advised that the Thomas Blake Glover service will take place this year on 14 June.
9	Questions from members of the public & Community Councilors
	<p>The councillors were asked what is happening with the reports of violent behaviour at Fraserburgh Academy, Cllr Mair advised that it had been discussed the previous night at the Academy PTA meeting and the school are working on the issues, they have a plan in place along with the Parent Council to help resolve this but it was 100% being addressed.</p> <p>Cllrs were asked about the drainage issues outside Farmfood as heavy rain now causes this whole area to flood, Cllr Mair did advise that this is a Amey Road and they have been told about the issue.</p>
10	Correspondence
	none
11	Planning Applications

	none
12	AOB
	<p>Jane will look again for a compass stone for the Four Corners, a budget has been set and agreed to be £200 by the committee.</p> <p>Friends of Fraserburgh Hospital have now been set up, Jane will share details of their next meeting on our FB page, and they also plan to have a stand at The Blue Light Festival. They are still looking for new members/ secretary and treasurer to join. The role of Chair has been taken by Helena.</p>
13	Date of next meeting
	<p>Tuesday 19th May, in Learning Room 2 at the Fraserburgh Community and Sports Centre. Meeting 6.30pm</p>