FRASERBURGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL **Minute** **Learning Room 2, Fraserburgh Community & Sports Centre** **Tuesday 18 August 2026 at 6.30pm – Final minutes**	

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
Bryan Wood	–	Community Councillor
Kelly Thomson	–	Community Councillor
Iain Sutherland	–	Ward 3 Elected member
Doreen Mair	–	Ward 3 Elected member
Anne Bell	–	Ward 3 Elected Councillor
Sargent Terence Brady	–	Community Officer
Brian Harvey	–	Member of Public
Maureen Buchan	–	Member of public

Apologies:

Jodie Summers	–	Community Councillor – Secretary
Ken Harper	–	Volunteer – Treasurer
Denise Taylor	–	Community Councillor
Shaun Innes	–	Community Councillor
James Smith	–	Community Councillor
Alistair Brown	–	Associate member

1	**Apologies & Declaration(s) of Interest**
	The above apologies were noted.

2	**Minutes of last meeting – Tuesday 16 June 2026**
	Approved with amendments – Mike McDonald Seconded – Caroline Savage Matters Arising Nothing to report

3	**Items of business / speakers**
	Bryan Wood gave a presentation on the Beach Wheelchairs and Bikes for the new volunteers, and both have agreed to help with this project.
	Police Scotland Report/Community Warden Report
	Sergeant Terence Brady came along to give us an update on what's happening in the Fraserburgh Area. He advised that we are a very quiet town and don't contact the station with many issues at all. They have set up Anti Social Behavior patrols and they have gone well and shoplifting is down by 62% in the last two months. They are still working on the e-bike issue, but this will not be an overnight fix. Community Wardens are now situated back in the police station so they will be working alongside the police. There are more police out walking the streets both in Fraserburgh and the surrounding villages. He has been invited to the Fraserburgh Academy PTA meeting to see how they can work together to combat the Anti Social behavior within the school.
5	**Action Sheet**
	Decisions via whatsapp poll during break Letter of support Harbour Project Poll taken & CC agreed 26 June, letter sent to harbour board on this date Letter of support for Ground Golf Fraserburgh Poll taken & CC agreed 26 June, letter sent to Ground Golf 8 July & planning on 6 July

Beach Wheelchair & Bikes
Purchase of items
Tool box £ 225 & air blower £62.25
Poll taken & cc agreed 2 July Treasurer advised and payment made to Bryan on 7 July

Agree on name, FCC Assessable Bikes and Wheelchairs
Poll taken & CC agreed on 05 July

Type of design & cost of display panels, £144 for decals & £140 for composite board
Poll taken & CC agreed on 10 July

Container Ramp purchase of £94.99
Poll taken and CC agreed on 13 July
Treasurer paid Bryan on 14 July

Facebook post to open wheelchairs & bikes, poll taken & CC agreed to open and thank you post to follow, 24 July

Benches
Whytestar to help complete benches
Poll taken & CC agreed on 7 July

Associate members John Cardno & James Wood voted in on 30 July
Poll taken & cc Agreed

Town Centre Benches: Having issues getting the holes drilled for the bolts, it was suggested to phone NESCOL to see if they had a suitable machine.

Another suggestion was made to alter the design, so Bryan is going to look into this as it saves drilling right through.

Disability Bikes/ Wheelchairs - They are up and running but still have an issue with accessing the beach, work has started by Aberdeenshire Council to clear slopes at the caravan site side of the beach, but this area can only be used when the tide is out.

Cllr Mair has advised that she has spoken to the Access Officer, and he is going to investigate it and also see if there is any funding available for this.

Both Maureen Buchan and Brian Harvey have agreed to become Associate Members, and both were voted in.

Bryan will set up a date with new volunteers to show them the ropes with the wheelchairs and bikes.

6	**Treasurer's Report**
	General Account £2385.33 **Beach Wheelchair fundraising - £4026.75** Jane May and Helena Gilbert are now signatories on the account as Bank advised that three signatory's is better than two.
7	**Sub Committee Reports**
	• **Litter Picking**: nothing happening here so it was decided to contact the School Cluster to see if any schools would like access to the equipment. • **Project Group/ events group -** It was decided that the Pipe Band Event is a bit too much for us to take on next year, Helena will email the relevant people to advise of our decision, Fraserburgh Events Group have the Xmas festivities in hand, and all road closures and permissions have been sent in, Cllr Mair has asked that we let her know when we receive confirmation on these. Kelly has a meeting on 28 August regarding the pitches; she still has more paperwork to do but the "Expression of Interest" has been submitted.
8	**Update from Councilors**
	• Cllr Sutherland and Mike McDonald visited the Denmark Streed property and after some digging, they found the owner and a notice has now been served to get the roof fixed, fencing has been erected around the area to keep public safe, • Cllr Sutherland advised that the yellow lines around IFC would need an assessment, but this only happens every few years so a note has been left to look as this in the next assessment, he also advised that he would speak to the community wardens to keep an eye on this. • Cllr Bell advised that the Chief Executive of NHS Grampian had paid a visit to Fraserburgh, they went to the local hospital and met with the staff and paid a visit to Gray and Adams, one of Fraserburgh's largest employers. • Cllr Bell advised that the Glover Festival was a success this year and they are already planning next year's event. • Cllr Mair told us she had a visit from the infrastructure lead from Transport Scotland and a member of NESTRANS to discuss the poor infrastructure in our area. They paid a visit

	to Gray and Adams where they were taken in an HGV to Ellon, Peterhead and then back to Fraserburgh so they could highlight the road issues for HGV drivers. Cllr Mair has advised that she has been pushing for crawler lanes, but it is still currently being looked at. • Friends of Fraserburgh Hospital is still going well. • Friends of Dalrymple Hall are still in the early stages, Men in Mind Helped weed the car park area. • Cllr Mair told us there were 3 local candidates for the Civic Pride Awards, Invervcairn Community council, Mahari Cheyne Disability Coach and Men in Mind have all made it to final stages, presentation to take place on 28 October. • Margaret White Fund will be available soon. • Beach Playpark make over has started
9	**Questions from members of the public & Community Councilors**
	It was asked if the Kessock was being cleaned and this was confirmed by Cllr Mair. It was asked what is happening with North school, there is a re zoning exercise happening. Following the success of St Andrew Nursery building they are now looking at renovating school building rather than new build, but this is still being discussed.
10	**Correspondence**
	none
11	**Planning Applications**
	No issues
12	**AOB**
	Photo of George Bruce Mural is being taken on 26 August with artist. Four Corners Benches - will be contact Scottish Water again next month for a further update. Thank you cards it was agreed to purchase these and ID cards.

13	Date of next meeting
	Tuesday 15 September 6.30pm, in Learning Room 2 at the Fraserburgh Community and Sports Centre. **Meeting 6.30pm**