

**BALLATER & CRATHIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL (B&CC)**

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Minutes of Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2018, at 7pm Kirk Hall, Crathie

<p><b>Present:</b> Jane Angus (JA) Iain Latta (IL) Pat Downie (PD) William Braid (WB) Anne Reid (AR) James Anderson (WJ) - Chair Fiona Presslie (FP) Emma Stewart (ES)</p> <p><b>Apologies</b> Cllr Geva Blackett (CGB) Cllr Paul Gibb (CPG) Joanne Croll (JC) Lewis Macdonald (LM) Francis Duguid (FD)</p>	<p><b>Also present:</b> Allan Harrison - BRD/BCE Member of the public</p>
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**1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence:**

**2. Emergency services:**

No report.

**3. Matters Arising from Last Meeting:**

Minutes approved

Reviewed and updated Action Tracker.

**4. Reports:**

**BRD - AH**

Dial-a-bus - Ian Ritchie went on a trial run. Drivers need to be trained. BRD require input from AbCo wrt funding. Ian had a meeting with Marian McKay, awaiting outcome of meeting.

BRD has awarded funds to Farmers market and Ballater Films for Winter Festival films.

**BCE - AH**

Caravan park has enjoyed a successful year. Income up on 2017. There will be money available for Ballater projects. Turnover up 7k on last year, takings 23k total. Next phase is being discussed. The site is in the final of the Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire tourism awards.

**AbCO - CPG - report provided**

**CNPA - NTR**

## CAP - NTR

### Halls - WB

A Doric afternoon was held on 14<sup>th</sup> Oct with a 50+ turnout

### Prince's Foundation - WJ

Meeting held with village stakeholders from major groups.

Topics covered:

Shop Frontages - Plans being drawn up

Monaltrie Park - Ballater Highland Games - Plans being drawn up

Village Green - Railings around the fountain to be reinstated - Plans being drawn up

Victoria & Albert Halls - No signage at Halls observed - Plans being drawn up

Car Park at Station Tunnel - Plans being drawn up

## 5. Planning Matters - NTR

### 6. Correspondence -

Letter from Susan Patrick. Poor visibility at Tullich Graveyard when exiting the new car park. **AR**

**Action - scan letter to CGB.**

### 7. Finance -

NTR

### 8. AOCB

IL - 201 bus took 2.5 hours and 3 buses to travel from Ballater to Aberdeen, **AR Action, respond to Andrew Bowie.**

IL - 2 bus loads of tourists at Ballater Station on 15<sup>th</sup> Oct when coffee house was closed.

ES - No family parking bays in Ballater. Matter incorporated into overall parking problem.

ES - Sign at Distillery Brae lying in verge, needs reinstated. Lorries are blocking the road. **AR**

**Action - contact CGB.**

WB - Pothole on Station Square. **AR Action. Report to CGB.**

WB - Damaged wall on A93. **AR Action. Updates from CGB.**

JA - Attended the AbCo meeting. Lack of teachers at secondaries.

PD - Invite new Co-op manager to November meeting. **AR Action.**

PD - Post Office complaints, no privacy for customers.

PD - 2 posts available within BCCC. Election required. 1 vacancy in Ballater and 1 in Crathie. **AR**

**Action. Enquire on next election wrt new constitution.**

PD - Remembrance wreaths come from British Legion. Trevor Armstrong organises these. He will keep us updated.

AH - CPG received flood defense information. **AR Action. Update required from CPG.**

ES - Compost bins required at Crathie. **AR Action - email CPG.**

AH - Noted that work is underway at Polhollick Bridge. Next bridges and paths meeting is 5th Nov.

Response to Janelle Clark wrt additional planters to direct traffic more effectively at Station Square Ballater.

Point 2 - Planters need to be far enough along path to allow 3 point turns out of Station Square.

General Point - How will refuse collectors collect from Station. **There is a waiting area on the plan for service vehicles (existing cut out)**

Point 5 - Possible bollards either side to allow wheelchairs and prams on pathway. Are there details available?

Point 6 - We agree bollards will get knocked down again at this location.

General Point - Where is the drop off/pick up zone for less able visitors? **The waiting area for service vehicles?**

The meeting closed at 8.00pm

Next meeting will be 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 Mike Sheridan Room. 7-9pm