



Cromarty and District Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on

Monday 28th May 2018, 7.30pm in the Hugh Miller Institute

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Present

Community Councillors: Diane Brawn (DB) Secretary, Estelle Quick (EQ) Treasurer, Rosemarie Hogg (RH), Gabriele Pearson (GP)

Youth Representative: Bryn Leyshon (BL)

Highland Councillor(s): Cllr Craig Fraser (CF)

Police Scotland: -

Member(s) of the public: Laura Shepherd, representing Cromarty Gala Committee & Patrick Mullery

Community Council Minute Secretary: Gillian McNaught (GM)

1	<u>Chairman's Welcome</u> In JR's absence, EQ welcomed Councillors and representatives. <u>Apologies:</u> Jacquie Ross (JR), Alan McDonald (AM), Kenneth MacFarlane (KM), PC Michael Cosh (PC MC).	
2 End	<u>Declarations of Interests</u> None	
3 End	<u>Approval of previous Minutes, 30th April 2018</u> Approved by DB and seconded by RH .	

<p>(4a)</p> <p>(4a.1)</p> <p>(4a.2)</p> <p>End</p>	<p><u>Laura Shepherd (LS), Representing Cromarty Gala Committee</u></p> <p><i>Minute Secretary's note : Chair's decision to discuss at this point in the meeting.</i></p> <p>Christmas lights - The Gala committee has set up a sub group to progress this project. Their proposal is to place 'year round' lights in the park trees down The Denny and strings of large bulb street lights for the festive season, initially on the Denny and High Street. This could be extended in future years as funding allows.</p> <p>EQ proposed :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that the C&DCC delegate this project to the Gala sub committee • a portion of the C&DCC Community Development Fund (formerly Lonna's Lights) and the donation from the Biker's group of £150 be made available. <p>All agreed.</p> <p>EQ will contact AM for update, contact HC about connection provision and share information with LS.</p> <p>LS was thanked for her input and left the meeting at 7.45pm.</p>	<p>EQ</p>
<p>4</p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.2</p> <p>4.3</p> <p>4.4</p> <p>4.5</p> <p>4.6</p> <p>End</p>	<p><u>Youth issues</u></p> <p>BL informed Members that he is finishing his final year at school and the June meeting will his last one as Youth Representative.</p> <p>Several reports of seagull mess damaging paintwork on cars in Townlands.</p> <p>Do not feed the Seagull signs - BL will get six more printed and give to DB.</p> <p>Stagecoach Buses - BL mentioned that fares have been increasingly steadily and the cost of a return to Inverness was now £9.50. BL to send this information to CF who is collating a range of bus service concerns along with Cllr Gordon Adam.</p> <p>Cromarty Primary Head Teacher post - BL requested information about the temporary HT arrangements. CF confirmed the post has been advertised.</p> <p>Good news -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • there have been lots of young people signing up for School's Out! Summer Activities programme. • the fence at the harbour wall has been fixed • a new and better designed bin has been located at the bus stop <p>EQ thanked BL for his report and he left the meeting at 7.50pm.</p>	<p>BL & DB</p> <p>BL & CF</p>

	<i>Minute Secretary's note : Chair's decision to discuss at this point in the meeting</i> <u>Fundraising Event, represented by Patrick Mullery (PM)</u>	
(5a)	PM informed members there will be a musical night on Saturday 2nd June, Victoria Hall to raise funds for the Community Lights (<i>see item (4a.1)</i>) and a bench for the cemetery..	
(5.1a)	Permission for a bench had been sought from HC, but was referred back to the C&DCC. PM will compile a plan of bench options, consult with HC about location with consideration to future lair sites and feedback to Members.	
(5.2a)	EQ wished PM well for the fundraising event and thanked him for the proposals. PM left the meeting at 8pm.	
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5	<u>Police Report</u>	
5.1	Report listing one incident not of a criminal nature, from PC Michael Cosh and circulated prior to the meeting. (Appendix A).	
End	PC MC thanked for this update.	
6	<u>Matters Arising</u>	
6.1	((12.2) Request timescales and dates from Ian Moncrieff regarding CF's report and a TMP for Cromarty). In progress, additional information required. Ongoing.	CF
6.2	((12.3) Organise more 'do not feed the seagull' signs). Discussed under item 4.3. Discharged.	
6.3	((12.4) Post HC Seagull Nuisance link on Facebook). Ongoing.	JR
6.4	((12.4) Send details of complaints about Graveyard burial procedures to CF). Ongoing.	JR
6.5	((12.5) Follow up on pothole repair outside surgery). Done. Discharged.	
6.6	((12.7) Follow up on Public Toilet complaints and maintenance issues). Ongoing.	CF
6.7	(5.1 Consider the C&DCC current 'letter of support' policy and discuss at next meeting. GM add to next Agenda). Deferred to next meeting. Discharged.	
6.8	(7.1 Continue to liaise with Gill MacGregor, SSPCA regarding welfare issues). Done. Discharged.	
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6.9	(7.2 Report back about responsibility for fence and gate maintenance once John Nightingale replies). Reply received but further clarity required. DB will follow up. Ongoing.	DB
6.10	(7.3 Inform Members of ‘Choose Life’ event once confirmed). Choose Life are hosting a Community Conversation Cafe at <u>Fortrose Academy, 6-8pm, Thursday 7th June</u> . More information will be publicised soon. Done. Discharged.	
6.11	(7.4 Update on voluntary tidy at foot of the Denny once landowner responded and granted permission). No response, so permission not granted. Discharged.	
6.12	(7.5 Organise a visit to Youth Cafe ref CCDT). Once the date for the AGM is confirmed, EQ will arrange a visit beforehand. Ongoing.	EQ
6.13	(7.6 Report back with an update on Whitedykes site soil survey, once HC has responded). Ongoing.	JR
6.14	(7.7 Inform Members of any slipway repair progress). Ongoing.	KM & JR
6.15	(7.8 Finalise Christmas decoration choice). Discussed under item (4.a) and delegated to sub group. Discharged.	
6.16	(7.9 Set up meeting with Phil Waite to discuss 100 step repairs). Discharged.	
6.17	(7.10 Get update from HC about re-use and replacement of Links bus shelter). CF reported it is unlikely there is any HC funding available to replace the Links shelter in this financial year. Further discussion followed about making good the current one and potentially creating more light with perspex ‘windows’ either side. Ongoing.	CF
6.18	(7.11 Email John Nightingale with concerns about warning signage for Estate shoots). Done. Discharged.	
6.19	(7.14 Note to self, cutting back of ivy at Gaelic Chapel after nesting season). Ongoing.	CF
6.20	(7.15 DB will site visit John Nightingale’s suggestions for memorial bench on 100 steps and feedback to family). All parties have agreed the Sutor viewpoint as the most suitable site. Discharged.	
6.21	(7.20 Request timescale for directional signs to public toilets). On CF’s report and has followed up with HC. Ongoing.	CF
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6.22	(11.1 Send to HC locations of grit bins for replacement). Ongoing.	JR
6.23	(11.4 Write to CFPA regarding noise and high rig density around Cromarty). Ongoing.	DB
6.24	(13.1 Update signs on Links to avoid motorhomes parking too close to Residents' properties). Ongoing.	JR
6.25	(13.2 Write to Beatrice Partnership about Cromarty not being eligible for their grant funding). Emailed but no response. Ongoing.	DB
6.26	(14 Update Members on further advice on new data protection laws for voluntary groups). DB liaising with other BICCs to finalise. Ongoing.	DB
End		
7	<u>Treasurer's Report</u>	
7.1	EQ circulated her report prior to the meeting and presented to Members. (Appendix B).	
7.2	The C&DCC Annual accounts have been signed off. Thanks were extended to Margi Campbell for auditing.	
7.3	A donation was received from the camping group. DB will write to thank them and let them know this will go towards the Christmas Lights fund.	DB
End	EQ was thanked for her report.	
8	<u>Cromarty Community Development Trust (CCDT)</u>	
8.1	RH informed Members that there will be a CCDT AGM in June and reminders have gone out that Membership renewals are due.	
8.2	Old Dairy Thrift Shop - Planning Department have requested an official application for reinstatement of use as a retail unit (not change of use). It will cost £401 to the Trust; the Community Council would be charged half of this amount. Further costs may be incurred if a building warrant is subsequently required but Planning could not confirm at this stage whether a building warrant would be required or not. This will be discussed further at the next C&DCC meeting.	EQ & All
8.3	EQ had a useful and positive meeting with Historic Environment Scotland. The demolition of the left wing of Townlands Barn is underway.	
End		

<p>9</p> <p>9.1</p> <p>End</p>	<p><u>Victoria Hall (VH) Report</u></p> <p>Alan Plampton (AP) circulated the following reports prior to the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • VH Report (Appendix C) • VH Detailed Statement of Financial Performance (Appendix D) • Youth Cafe Report (Appendix E) <p>AP was thanked for his reports.</p>	
<p>10</p> <p>10.1</p> <p>10.2</p> <p>End</p>	<p><u>Community Councillors' Portfolios</u></p> <p><u>Gabriele Pearson</u> Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new applications and no updates on previous. <p>10.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The suitability of a new metal fence in the Conservation area at Stornaway House has been raised by several residents. • Resident raised a planning permission concern relating to three large wood chip drying kilns that have appeared at Farness. GP will follow up with HC Planning. EQ will ask Lynne Sproull for advice. 	<p>GP & EQ</p>
<p>11</p> <p>11.1</p> <p>11.2</p> <p>11.3</p> <p>11.3</p> <p>End</p>	<p><u>Highland Councillor (HC) Report</u></p> <p>11.1 Public Toilet Sign - CF has written again to HC to urgently request the installation of a directional sign on the Links before the Regatta on 16th June. (<i>action under item 6.21</i>)</p> <p>11.2 CF's overview of his meeting of 22nd May has been agreed with HC. (Appendix F)</p> <p>11.3 CF has been pushing HC to have Bank Street (an A road) properly resurfaced.</p> <p>11.3 CF will follow up on a way forward on the Links bus shelter (<i>action under 6.17</i>).</p>	

13	<u>Correspondence</u>	
13.1	An email received from Fraser Mackenzie noting the disparity in levels of compensation offered to communities affected by wind farm noise and the Cromarty community who experience noise nuisance from operations in the Firth. DB will write to Mr Buskie, chief executive of Port of Cromarty Firth.	DB
13.2	A letter from a resident outlining the large number of tents and vans camped overnight on the Links. Members noted that their community consultation revealed the majority wanted the Links opened up to vehicle access throughout the summer months.	
13.3	Email received about Police Scotland's campaign focusing on doorstep crime within communities.	
13.4	Email received from Deveron Community Rowing requesting to camp on the Links the weekend of the Regatta. Permission has already been granted for this event.	
13.5	Email received about Phase 4 of the CFPA developments. DB will put information on CL website	DB
End		
14	<u>AOB</u>	
14.1	'Letter of Support' policy - deferred to next meeting.	All
14.2	New Data Protection law update - covered under item 6.26.	
14.3	EQ congratulated Cromarty Brewing Co. on their beer, Red Rocker, winning gold at the World Beer Cup.	
14.4	Designated areas of Cromarty will be resurfaced on Tuesday 29th May. Residents affected have been informed.	
14.5	C&DCC Member, Alan Macdonald (AM) is moving to Inverness and this will create a vacancy. The CC can co-opt a replacement. DB will contact AM.	DB
End		
15	<u>Date of next meeting</u> Monday 28th May 2018 C&DCC AGM @ 7pm, followed @ 7.30pm by an ordinary C&DCC Meeting, Hugh Miller Institute, Church Street, Cromarty.	
EQ thanked everyone for attending and the meeting concluded at 8.45pm.		

Summary of Matters Arising & Action Points

Reference	To whom allocated	Notes
(4a.2)	Estelle	Contact Alan for Christmas lights update and HC for installation requirements. Pass info to Laura Shepherd
4.3	Diane & Bryn	Bryn Organise 6 more 'do not feed the seagull' signs and Diane to display round town
4.4	Bryn & Craig	Bryn pass on complaints about increased bus pricing to Craig. Craig collate with Cllr Gordon Adam and send to bus companies
6.1	Craig	Once additional information in place, feedback to Members, Minutes 26.3.2018, appendix D
6.3	Jacque	Post HC Seagull Nuisance link on Facebook
6.4	Jacque	Send details of complaints about Graveyard burial procedures
6.6	Craig	Follow up on Public Toilet complaints and maintenance issues
6.9	Diane	Request further clarity from John Nightingale about maintenance of fences etc to contain livestock at reeds loop
6.12	Estelle	Organise a visit to Youth Cafe before CCDT AGM
6.13	Jacque	Report back with an update on Whitedykes site soil survey, once HC has responded.
6.14	Jacque & Kenneth	Inform Members of any slipway repair progress
6.17	Craig	Progress solution to the Links bus shelter as minuted
6.19	Craig	Note to self, cutting back of ivy at Gaelic Chapel after nesting season
6.21	Craig	Follow up urgent request for directional signs on Links to public toilets for Regatta
6.22	Jacque	Send to HC locations of grit bins for replacement
6.23	Diane	Write to CFPA regarding noise and high rig density around Cromarty
6.24	Jacque	Update signs on Links to avoid motorhomes parking too close to Residents' properties
6.25	Diane	Ask for response to first email to Beatrice Partnership about Cromarty not eligible to apply for their grant funding
6.26	Diane	Update Members on finalised data protection laws for CCs and other voluntary groups
7.3	Diane	Thank camping group for donation to C&DCC Christmas lights fund.
8.2	Estelle & All	Discuss Planning Permission for thrift shop at next meeting
10.2	Gabriele	Ask Planning about planning concerns raised

10.2	Estelle	Contact Lynne Sproull for Planning advice
13.1	Diane	Write to Mr Buskie highlighting compensation disparity between communities in relation to wind farm noise and noise from industrial operations in the Firth
13.5	Diane	Send CFPA Phase 4 information for posting on CL website
14.1	All	Letter of support' policy decide at next meeting
14.5	Diane	Contact Alan about standing down from CC due to moving from the C&DCC area.

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Appendix A

"POLICE REPORT 30/04/18 TO 25/05/18

Between 30/04/18 and 25/05/18 police were contacted regarding 1 incidents in the Cromarty area.

This incidents related to officers assisting and providing advice only. No incidents of a criminal nature have been recorded.

A reminder to remain aware of the previous press release regarding the recent trend of heating oil theft from rural areas.

I would like to re-iterate the message and urge any person to contact police should they have any information.

Officers continue, when possible, to conduct high visibility mobile and foot patrols in the area including licence premises checks.

Should you wish to discuss anything further or are aware of anything I have not mentioned then please do not hesitate to contact me.

PC Michael Cosh

Agenda item 8
Appendix B

<u>Finance Report – Cromarty & District Community Council</u>			
<u>Agenda Item No 7 - Treasurer's Report</u>			
<u>Period: 26/04/18-25/05/18</u>			
<u>General Income</u>			
Publications sales	£52.73	PO 38.50 website 14.23	
	£52.73		
Less:			
<u>General Expenditure</u>			
Postage - website sales	£3.32		
	£3.32		
Increase/Decrease in Accumulated Fund	£49.41		
<u>Fund Income</u>			
Cromarty Rising - donation	£75.00		
	£75.00		
Less:			
<u>Fund Expenditure</u>			
Monday Club Fund - April lunches	£126.00		
	£126.00		
Increase/Decrease in Other Funds	-£103.00		
<u>Net Assets</u>			
Bank & Cash in hand balances as at 25/05/18	£25,284.56		
Paypal - website sales	£47.36		
Total Net Assets at 25/05/18	£25,331.92		
<u>Comprising:</u>			
Community Council Accumulated Fund	£1,875.43		
Provision for Guide Book reprinting	£900.70		
Seaplane Plinth Fund	£48.93		
Bonfire Night Fund	£1,085.78		
Splash & Dash Fund	£565.82		
Monday Club Fund	£275.50		
Community Development Fund	£302.95		
Gala Fund	£6,730.41		
Emergency Resilience Fund	£242.72		
Open Gardens Fund	£6.86		
Gluren bij de Buren Fund	£202.06		
Tractor Operations Fund	£400.00		
Tractor Maintenance Fund	£72.40		
Cromarty Rising Fund	£7,622.36		
Ferry Slip Fund	£5,000.00		
	£25,331.92		
Estelle Quick 25/05/18			

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Agenda Item 9 - Victoria Hall Report

1. **Finances and Bookings** Audited annual figures for 2017/18 attached. Apart from the usual Income & Expenditure Account now being called the Statement of Financial Performance, this year has no surprises. Still managing to 'balance our books' at the same time as reinvesting any surpluses back in to the Hall. Our electricity costs are showing a credit following an actual reading reversing previous over estimates.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

2. **Repairs and Maintenance** No new repairs to report.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

3. **Highland Council/Highlife Highland** Unfortunately there is no update, but Di Agnew, representing the Cromarty Common Good and the Black Isle Ward, is still scheduled to meet with other senior representatives from the Highland Council and Highlife Highland. Meanwhile, the growing list of outstanding repairs to the Hall, all remain outstanding. The HC Clerk of Works again visited, promising action but still nothing.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

4. **Youth Café** The recruitment process for the new Assistant Youthworker has restarted and a shortlist is being finalised, following some success from greater advertising. The latest report of activities is attached.

ACTION - Information only, no action required.

Alan Plampton

VHMC

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Appendix D

VICTORIA HALL

Detailed Statement of Financial Performance

for year ended 31st March 2018

Year to 31st March 2017		Year to 31st March 2018
£		£
	Income	
92.37	Donations & Gifts	103.75
0.00	Grants	0.00
10,309.90	Hall rental income	8,764.05
0.00	Interest Income	0.00
1,800.00	Office Rental	1,800.00
12,202.27	Total Income	10,667.80
	Expenditure	
	Office Expenditure	
0.00	Professional fees	0.00
0.00	Dues and Subscriptions	0.00
1.89	Printing, Postage & Stationery	20.08
0.00	Sundry Petty Cash	0.00
0.00	Telecom & Internet	0.00
1.89	Total Office Expenditure	20.08
	Premises Expenditure	
859.38	Electricity	(207.00)
377.76	Insurance	350.00
2,045.49	Oil	2,403.46
3,560.14	Repairs and Maintenance	3,817.15
116.08	Supplies	254.12
955.00	Water charges	869.00
7,913.85	Total Premises Expenditure	7,486.73
	Staff Costs	
2,951.04	Salaries	2,951.04
2,951.04	Total Staff Costs	2,951.04
10,866.78	Total Expenditure	10,457.85
£1,335.49	Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	£209.95

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Appendix E

Youth Cafe Report Cromarty & District Community Council Meeting 28th May 2018

YOUTH CAFE HAS DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING WITH VOLUNTEERS & ASSISTANT WORKER

ENGAGEMENT

From October 2016 - September 2017 worked with 110 different Young people who are from Cromarty

65 Jnrs aged 4 ½ years old - 11 years old

45 Snrs aged 11 years old - 24 years old

15 other Young people who are out with Cromarty attend and volunteers at the Youth Café every week - Cromarty Youth Café is inclusive to all young people.

Over the past year in Cromarty there have been various different activities and projects delivered for young people:

Benefits to Young people in Cromarty:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increased opportunities for young people• Increased participation within community• Increased confidence through involvement in activities• Increased self-esteem for young people• Increased awareness of who Fraser is which helps transition into secondary school• Young people are able to learn skills for life• Young people are involved and included in decisions that affect them• Young people are able to be safe, healthy, achieving, active, included, respected and responsible and included• Young people are able to attend activities and try out new sports

CORE AND ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR	
Cromarty Jnr Youth Café	Runs for 40 weeks x 2 hours we have 40 members most weeks there is about 25 young people that attend. Delivering a range of different activities such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Themed Arts and Crafts• Cooking and Baking• Football• Dodgeball• Multi Sports• Movie Nights• First Aid

Self Defence	These classes ran for 30 Week with up to 20 young people attending each week learning about how to protect themselves,
Cromarty Snr Youth Café	Runs on a Monday evening from 6pm - 8pm for 40 weeks of the year at each session there can be from 7 - 15 young people most weeks there is about 10 young people that turn up weekly. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football • PS4 Nights • Games Nights • Arts and Crafts. • Movie Nights
Cromarty Primary School	Work in the Primary school for 40 weeks of the year for 2 hour each week additional to this <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supported the Children's Service Worker to deliver resilient kids to 11 P7s for 8 weeks • Delivered 10 one hour bike ability sessions to 16 P4s - P7s • 20 weeks of Football at lunchtime and golden time 15 people at each session • Supporting 6 Young Leaders to deliver different activities to pupils during golden time • Worked with the whole school (60 Pupil) at 3 Eco Days, these were 7 hour days
Mountain Biking	Runs on a Tuesday night 7pm - 8.30pm for 45 weeks of the year. 18 people from Cromarty have been attending mountain biking sessions with various biking days out at the weekends throughout the year.
Cookwell/Bakewell	30 Cookwell or Bakewell sessions have been delivered on a Monday night from 5pm - 7.30, 8 young people turning up to each session. On a few different occasions the Cookwell / Bakewell class have been asked to provide meals / baking for community events. The class have also hosted a meal for MFR
Chanter & Pipe Class	This runs for 25 weeks on a Tuesday from 3.30pm - 5.30pm with up to 6 young people turning up each week. This class is Ran by Father Mel and Vicky, who are volunteers but we support, The group have played at community events such as Cromarty Gala, Christening.
Football and Rugby Coaching	20 weeks of football and rugby coaching was delivered by youth leaders but supported by Fraser, on a Monday night from 4pm - 5pm with up to 15 young people attending each week

Nerf Wars	4 sessions at 2 hours per session with up to 30 young people attending
Fusion	8 Fusion session were delivered in Cromarty on a Monday night or during holidays for 2 hours, each session with up to 30 young people attending each sessions
Peer Mental Health Project	3 young people who attend Cromarty Youth Café have been involved in setting up this project as part of Ross of Cromarty Youth Forum. Supported them to attend meetings every 2 months and hosted a planning day in Cromarty.
Badminton	This class ran for 30 weeks on a Tuesday at 4.15pm - 5.15 with 6- 10 people turning up each week, supported this class but it was planned and delivered by Young Leaders.
Rowing	This ran on a Tuesday night from 4pm - 5pm for 16 week this year, 30 young people aged 12 - 24 -have had the chance to take part in Costal Rowing, when the weather was too bad to row outdoor indoor rowing sessions happened
Tennis coaching	On a Saturday morning from 9am - 12noon for 8 weeks tennis coaching was delivered to 30 young people.
Employability	Each week I supported 1 young person for 1 hour at a time to help them to reach a positive destination by helping with them to build a CV, this young person is now taking part in a modern apprenticeship In hotel work.
Volunteers	On a Monday for 40 weeks of the year there can be up to 16 young people volunteering at Cromarty Jnr Youth Café, supporting young people and deliver activities to them. Met with the volunteers on a weekly basis to update their saltire diary's, and to plan for the following weeks During the festive period we have supported various families with meals from the Highland Homeless Trust ensuring that families don't have to choose whether to heat their home or eat. Did 3 food drops to 40 families and older folk In the community. In December 2016 10 young volunteers had the opportunity to attend Eden court to watch the Pantomime, as a reward for all their hard work throughout the year.
Christmas Party	Each year we host a Christmas party for 2 hours for all young people aged 2 - 18 to attend at the last Christmas party 70 young people turned up
Easter Programme	30 young people took part in the activities provided in Cromarty this ran for 3 day 10 people took part on each of the days each was from 6 hours long

Summer Programme	<p>213 young people took part in all the activities provided the summer programme, some of the same young people attended duplicate activities, Over the summer there was 30 different activities each activity running for 6-7 hours with between 7- 15 young people attending. Some days were longer than others.</p> <p>During the holidays programme all of the young people that are counted above are from Cromarty</p>
Young Peoples Voices	<p>Each month had 1-1 with the Youth Rep on Cromarty Community Council, to discuss any issues that young people feel and wanted reported to the community Council.</p>
Training	<p>5 Young people and 6 older people from Cromarty were trained up in being Dementia Friends</p>

Agenda item 11.2

Appendix F

Meeting 22nd May 2018

Location - Cromarty

Topic - Amenity areas maintenance

In attendance - John Mackay (HC Community Works Manager) Ingrid Jamieson (Amenities Manager) Councillor Craig Fraser (Black Isle Ward 9)

This meeting was arranged to discuss issues raised from previous reports.

- Burial grounds maintenance
- Links grass cutting regime - signage to public for loos at Allen Square
- Other grassed areas
- Reeds Loop path
- **Additional item** - amenity areas Townlands Park and old folks housing area

Observations way forward

- Burial grounds maintenance - Remove overgrown ivy from walls - volunteers may be available to remove ivy and have this collected by HC. Remove Holly tree that is re-growing between headstones, prune large Cherry bottom of burial ground, prune large tree at the top of burial ground, suggest some paths be naturalised, weed killer where appropriate. (Cromarty Wester Burial Ground. Remove dead Yew tree at entrance to (New Cromarty Wester Burial ground). Clean headstones after strimming?
- Links cutting regime - as per map previously provided supply of signage to public loos (previously promised)
- Other grassed areas - ??
- Reeds Loop - Strim shore-side engage community pay back to do this work along with litter pick around shore and whole Reeds Loop
- **Additional item** - Townlands Park - old folks area, prune large tree, clear paths, grassed area, and play area all out of specification to be addressed as a matter of urgency.

There has been improvement to the standard of grass cutting on the Links and Victoria Park, it is hope that as the season progresses the issues raised on maintenance standards over the past years will be addressed.

Cllr Craig Fraser