NEWTONHILL, MUCHALLS and CAMMACHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTE

The 397th meeting was held in the Skateraw Hall at 7pm on Wednesday 21st October 2026.

In Mr Flockhart's absence, Miss Daniels took the chair.

1 – PRESENT – Miss Daniels (Chair), Mrs Stephen, Mr Morgan, Mr Ewing, Ailsa Duncan, Cllrs Sullivan and Victor and one member of the public.

2 – APOLOGIES – Cllr Victor for last meeting. Mr Flockhart, Mr Armes, Mr Jones, Punya Samarakoon, Mr Torrance, Mrs Davidson, Mr Cruickshank

3 - POLICE REPORT - None

4 - MINUTE 396 – Accepted.

5 - MATTERS ARISING

Aberdeenshire Council has been informed that both Punya Samarakoon and Ailsa Duncan were co-opted on to Community Council at our meeting on 16th September 2026.

(1)(15.1) Logo – Miss Daniels still working on it.

(2)(15.5) Real time passenger info display – No further forward.

(3)(15.6) Tennis court – No update.

(4)(15.7) Application for salt – No update.

(5)(5.15) Funny tasting water at Cammachmore – No update.

6 – PLANNING – Nothing.

7 - ROADS and POTHOLES - (1) Roads in Cammachmore. Mr Armes full of praise for new laid road in Cammachmore, (2) St Michael's Road was patched with non-permanent repair. Also, Elsick Place. Don't know about Cairnhill Drive, (3) Still potholes at the Courts, (4) Problems with road surface at the junction of Dunnyfell Road and A92 heading south

8 – FINANCE REPORT - £4,144.09. £8.50 in interest.

9 - QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE PATH - £150,000 ETZ grant. Summer update. Letter of support needed. Mr Torrance no further update.

10 – UNDERPASS – Nothing

11 - CERULEAN WINDS – A group of Community Councillors from Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore Community Council, North Kincardine Rural Community Council and Stonehaven and District Community Council has been set up to discuss proposals, updates, and matters of joint interest regarding the Cerulean Winds Aspen Project. The initial

meeting proved very successful. It was agreed that further meetings will be held every 4/6 weeks and may sometimes include an invited expert from other organisations.

As there is more than one set of cables coming ashore between Newtonhill and Stonehaven, could the same substation not be used?

12 - PISA RESULTS – Mr Morgan raised concerns on how it would appear Scottish education results compare badly with English results. Scottish results still falling. Perhaps less emphasis should be put on passing exams than learning basics such as maths, reading, writing, science. Cllr Victor confirmed Aberdeenshire was doing better than many other areas of the country.

13 – STONEHAVEN CLUSTER COMMUNICATION – Mostly deals with what parents' thoughts on schools are. As Mr Armes was not present discussion was left to a later date.

134–CORRESPONDENCE

(1) Invitation to learning estates strategy movement towards a sustainable estate – Wednesday 30th September 2026, 6pm, via TEAMS
(2) Prohibition of waiting, Newtonhill, 5th November, fireworks.
(3) Newtonhill underpass update from Mr Torrance.
(4) Rescheduled dates for resurfacing on the A90 near Drumlithie.
(5) Kincardine and Mearns Community Planning E-bulletin Autumn 2026
(6) Scotland's decolonization - SCAM?
(7) Core Paths in Aberdeenshire.
(8) Declaration of interests forwarded to all members.
(9) Action required Rural Affairs Committee – Outdoor Access Inquiry – Call for Views. – Responses by 23 November 2026.
(10) Pop up Carer Events – 20th October 2026, Stonehaven, 10.20 – 12pm, Community Centre, Brew and Blether.
(11) SEPA – Prepare and be Aware Flood Resilience Campaign
(12) Aberdeenshire Council Just Transition proposals 1-10-2026
(13) Kincardine and Mearns Coastal Communities Fund 2026-2027
(14) NHS Grampian Annual Review 2026 – Friday 13th November, 2-3pm, Medical School.
(15) Patient Carer Participation Opportunity – NHS Grampian Ministerial Annual Review.
(16) Aberdeen International Airport – Airspace Change Proposals Passed
(17) Community Planning efforts secure £12.5 million for Aberdeenshire households, highlights report.
(18) Talk to Aberdeenshire Community Councils Event – Mr Flockhart would like attend as would Punya Samarakoon.
(19) Community Opportunities – Home Start – Home-Start SouthAberdeenshie
(20) NHS Grampian Functional Conditions Lived Experience Network

(21) Scottish Superfast Broadband Voucher Scheme – Take action before 20th November 2026
(22) Bus Service Revisions from 24th October 2026
(23) Hybrid Bus Forum A90/A92 south of Aberdeen – 12th November 2026
(24) Ministerial letter to Community Councils – Local Government Reform. Some discussion took place but continue at another meeting to let members consider proposals.
(25) National Emergencies Trust Resource – www.readytogether.co.uk

15 – AOCB

(1) Query from Jim Maitland, Aberdeenshire Council, re parking on pavement notices in Muchalls. Stranathro Terrace and Monduff Road.
(2) Update on Paul Macari attending Community Council meeting in November. Mr Morgan has forwarded a list of queries to Paul Macari for November meeting.
(3) Community Council Survey – Your local views
(4) Let's talk Aberdeenshire survey – Comment until 20th November 2026
(5) Meikle Carewe decision panel met last night.

The meeting finished at 7.50pm.

The 398th meeting will be in the Skateraw Hall at 7pm on Wednesday 18th November 2026.