



## SLAINS & COLLIESTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025

**Present:** Roddy Junor (Chair), Gill Moir, Roger Berl, Trish Davidson, Julie Swan, Ian Law, Nora Harper, Sally Sheehan, Chris Hovey, Councillor Louise McAllister, Councillor Gillian Owen

**Apologies:** Beth Thomson, Sheena Junor, Lesley Wilson, Marley Twine, Councillor Isobel Davidson,

**In Attendance:** Anne Craig

| ITEM                                  | DISCUSSION  | ACTION |
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| Approve minutes                       | Approved: Roger Berl    Seconded: Chris Hovey   |        |
| Matters arising                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bonfire Night – Roger had attended the CORC AGM volunteers offered to help again.</li> <li>• Blue and orange bins had been removed from the bus shelter. Bin for general waste still needed.</li> <li>• Ground rules are needed for using the ceiling projector</li> <li>• Toilet refurbishment is out to tender. Work includes whole roof replacement, new pipework and white goods. Original location for outside shower thought to be best option. First aid box will be wall mounted in the Ladies toilet.</li> <li>• Children’s Art group started and is going well.</li> </ul>   |        |
| Secretary’s Report and correspondence | <p>Factsheets would be sent to every house and addressed to the occupants.</p> <p>Two grit bins in the village had been adopted by the Community Council.</p> <p>NEAT - two shows planned for Spring in March and April Sarah and Roderick have been working on rolling screen messages and a website update</p> <p>Hall electrics need to be completed.</p> <p>Thanks to Nora and Gail for attending NEAT anniversary</p> <p>Gritting in the village was only going as far as the Kirk which was not thought acceptable.</p> <p>Correspondence to 3<sup>rd</sup> December</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aberdeenshire Council – Adopt a grit bin extension</li> <li>• Westhill and Elrick Community Council – Aberdeenshire Council Funding Share</li> <li>• Emyr Bell, NEAT – Spring 2026 shows</li> <li>• Vista Print – invoice for flyers</li> <li>• Roddy Junor – Video content for hall</li> </ul> |        |

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|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah Macpherson – as above</li> <li>• Fix my Street – update on low town water leak</li> <li>• William Munro, Vice Chair Westhill CC - Summit re Funding of Pubic Services in Aberdeenshire</li> <li>• Colin Anderson, Community Planning Officer – Plans</li> <li>• Sally Sheehan – confirmation of Gala Quiz</li> <li>• Various re gritting in Collieston</li> <li>• Roddy Junor – electrical supply to stone shed</li> <li>• Reid Hutchison, Economic Development – Aberdeenshire Community Benefit Strategy – Reference Group</li> <li>• Chris Hovey – Trees for the Rivie</li> <li>• Emma Christie – Involving volunteers award</li> <li>• Trish Davidson – CORC donation</li> <li>• Louise Muirhead – Tourism funding</li> <li>• Sally Sheehan – Toilet cleaner needed</li> <li>• NEAT – thanks to Nora and Gail for attending promoter event</li> <li>• NEAT – online skills sharing course</li> <li>• Licensing – consultation on increase of fees</li> <li>• Alan White – Water question</li> <li>• Aberdeenshire Council news release – increase in public recycling</li> <li>• Confirmation of NEAT bookings for Coates and Cotterell Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April and for The Monstrous Case of the Missing Mrs Hudson for Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March.</li> <li>• Rospa training course in Perth</li> <li>• Roddy Junor – re grit teams</li> <li>• Aberdeenshire Council – Call for Ideas and sites for the Aberdeenshire Local Development Plan 2029</li> <li>• Sally Sheehan – Adoption of Grit bins application form</li> <li>• Aberdeenshire Council – acknowledgement of receipt of above form</li> <li>• David Moar, Surveyor – intention of visit to discuss future work in public toilets</li> <li>• Port Errrol Harbourmaster – lighting of Creel Christmas Tree 6<sup>th</sup> December</li> <li>• Norman Boal, Facilities – FES to inspect electrical wiring to back shed</li> <li>• Rev Alastair Bruce – Carol Service on 7<sup>th</sup> December</li> <li>• North East community Councils – invitation to meeting in Stonehaven</li> <li>• Sally Sheehan to Sarah Macpherson re website</li> </ul> |  |
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|                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aberdeenshire Council – press release Council renews partnership with nature conservation organisations.</li> <li>• Colin Anderson – Police report Sept-November</li> </ul>   |  |
| Events               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Church Service in the hall</li> <li>• 13<sup>th</sup> December 2025: Senior Citizens Christmas Party. 1pm-3pm. Invitations printed.</li> <li>• 24<sup>th</sup> January 2026: Burns Supper. Councillor McAllister agreed to do the Immortal Memory. Other arrangements progressing well, event to be advertised on Facebook in January.</li> </ul> |  |
| Treasurer's Report   | <p>£238 CORC, £130 NEAT, £25 Lizzie, £120 Toilets, £120 expenses – website and fact sheets, £76 Projector, £22.50 wellbeing</p> <p>Current balance: £17,721.12</p>   |  |
| Pier                 | Fiona Bell had produced notelet cards which were to be sold in aid of the Pier.  |  |
| SEACHange            | Polycrub is nearly completed. Roddy had delivered a large water tank to the garden.  |  |
| Wellbeing            | <p>The community were sorry to hear of the passing of Maxwell Smith and Anna Webster.</p> <p>New residents at Marine Cottage and Forvie Court.</p>   |  |
| CCDG                 | Chris Hovey and Lyn had planed 110 native trees on the Rivie.  |  |
| Date of next Meeting | Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January Collieston Community Centre at 7pm   |  |