

Draft Minutes

Balmullo Community Council – Monday 11th May 2026

Committee present: Colin Finlay (CF) *Convener*, Andrew Donald (AD), Mike Fearon (MF), Sheryl Morris (SM), Alan Newlands (AN), Moira Robertson (MR), Sue Smith (SS)

Public present: 10

Apologies: Cllr Louise Kennedy-Dalby, Cllr Alan Knox, Cllr Jonny Tepp

Minutes: Mike Fearon

Summary of Action Points	ACTION

1. Minutes of previous meeting

- a. Corrections
There were no errors or omissions.
- b. Actions arising.

	ACTION	OUTCOME
Request a copy of the framework to update/modify a factor contract	LKD	Completed
Confirm responsibility of the burn with Greenbelt and report flooding risk to SEPA	LKD/CF	Ongoing
Review website analytics to identify any improvements.	SM	Ongoing
Arrange temporary monitoring within the community – Breedon to install equipment at a local resident's house before the next blast date.	CF	Ongoing
Request an update on complaints process including contact details.	CF	Ongoing

2. Councillors Reports

- a. No updates provided.

3. Treasurers Report

- a. Accounts for 25/26 are complete and to be submitted to the auditors.

4. Incoming Correspondence

- a. SS provided details of the current planning applications within the community including
 - [25/00418/EIA](#) – registered.
 - [25/02625/CON](#) – awaiting decision.
 - [26/00897/FULL](#) – registered.

- b. SS has circulated all incoming correspondence with committee members including.
 - Newsletters (Fife Industry, Scottish Rural Action, Citizens' Rights Project, The Editor – Newsletter of the Public Sector Network, New Powers for Scotland's Community Councils).
 - The newly appointed NE Fife Police Inspector announced that community officer reports will transition from monthly to quarterly, with the first update due in June. Furthermore, these reports will no longer include localised crime statistics. This change in reporting style has been met with disappointment from the community, who highly valued the regular insights into local crime trends. The CC will respond to reflect these concerns.
- c. AGM scheduled for Monday 8th June following request from Fife Council.

5. Updates

- a. Greenbelt – most residents are interested in taking this forward. The proposal must meet the target of 80% resident agreement to progress this. If successful, a community member suggested the implementation of a wildflower meadow in the larger grass areas between spring and autumn. In addition, an observation was noted on rats being seen near the soakaway – will monitor and report if necessary.
- b. Quarry liaison group – meeting due on Wednesday 13th May and will hopefully provide updates on the above outstanding actions, which have been pending since February 2025. Clarity required from Breedon on the definition of 'rolling over tonnage' per calendar year and temporary road repairs on Quarry Road were reported as insufficient, lasting less than a week.
- c. Local Development – (Pitcairn Gardens) It was noted that there is currently no fence separating the new grass area (above attenuation tank) from the adjacent road. This poses a potential safety hazard for children playing on the green space, and the installation of a boundary fence is suggested to mitigate this risk.
- d. Save Lucklawhill – the group extends its appreciation to everyone who submitted an objection, with approximately 240 representations received in total. Notably, ScotWays (The Scottish Rights of Way and Access Society) has formally submitted an objection, highlighting the existence of an established right of way running from the mast to the gate. Due to a conflict of interest involving the Fife Council Natural Heritage Officer, an external consultant will be brought in to review the matter further.
- e. Plants – Bedding plants to be planted in early, to mid-June.

6. AOB

- a. Dog fouling around the village is still an issue – advice on reporting to the dog warden if witnessed provided.
- b. Increase of vehicles speeding through Pitcairn Drive – a request for speed bumps was made and the CC will seek advice on options available from Councillors.

7. Date of next meeting – Monday 8th June