Berriedale & Dunbeath COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held 12th October 2026 at Portland Hall Berridale

1. **Welcome**
   a. **Attendance.** Francis Allen (Chairman) Alison Allerington (Vice Chair) Mike Bailey (Secretary) Mike Sutherland, Neil Buchanan.
   b. **Members of the public.** Ann Mcbeath, John A Gunn, Lynn Parker (Pylons)
   c. **Apologies.** Donna Mathieson and Emma Ruff
2. **Conflict of Interest.** Neil Buchanan (Pylons)
3. **Opening Remarks.** Francis welcomed everyone to the meeting
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting.** Pro by Alison Ellerington Sec Neil Buchanan.
5. **Police Report.**
   a. No police report available
   b. Speed Display Sign. MB reported that it had been erected today the 12th. An email sent to Neil Scully from Lighting & Communications asking why the original sign could not be used.
   c. A9 Overtaking & Speed Campaign. A discussion on re-appling to Traffic Scotland for traffic calming on the Dunbeath Section of A9.
6. **Health & Social Care.** Nothing to report
7. **Infrastructure, Environment and Economy.**
   a) Planning applications. One from Mr G Bain. No objections raised
   b) Potholes and roads. A number of potholes where reported. Also some roads had been marked out for repair but no further action.
   c) Pylons. Lynn Parker reported that Halkirk could be a possible venue for the forth coming public enquiry.
8. **Performance and Governance.**
   a) Christmas Lights. Reported that due to removal of fuses that no lights would be put on Knockglass Rd. The collection box in the Spar shop had raised £60 for the Christmas Light fund.
9. **Property and Housing.** Nothing to report.
10. **Resouces and Finances.**
    a) CC bank account. The account new mandate is almost ready.
    b) The funding from the Highland Council has increase by 30 – 40%
11. **Correspondence.** The was no correspondence. The meeting asked if a letter could be sent to Ian Black and Sinclairs to enquire as to why funding had stopped from the wind turbines.
12. **A.O.B.** Ann Macbeath reported the light in the post office bus shelter was not working. Email to lighting department to be sent.

The Meeting Closed At 2030hrs. Next meeting Dunbeath Hall 9th Nov 26. 7.30pm