

Tarbat Community Council (TCC)
Minutes of the meeting held on
Wednesday 3rd June 2026 7.30 pm
In Carnegie Hall

Present : Gillian Davey (GD) (Chairman and secretary), James Philp, Jackie Thornhill (JT)

Associate member Leah McBain (LM)

Apologies: Gordon Jacks (GJ), Reg Flegg (treasurer), Cllr Maureen Ross (MR).
Laura Dundas (LD), Eric Nimmons (EN), Hamish Mackenzie (HM)

In attendance: Cllr Connie Ramsay (CR)

From Community: Number present 6

Approval of minutes from meeting held on 25th March 2026

Insufficient members present will re-present at next meeting

Financial Report from LM

Current account £2673.35

Development account £4414.18

Cheques out to fund;

- New goal nets for the football pitch
- Materials for the fountain step repairs
- Visitors information notice board
- Photo albums for Tarbat discovery centre
- Portmahomack coastal rowing club donation

Matters arising

825 01 Flag

JP showed us samples of the flag design. Option of dominant, blue, red or white. Price depends on size of flag. Flag pole needs to be taken down, as needs repairing, will possibly require some machinery. JP will look into getting this done. Public present at meeting agreed colour of design. JP will put it out on Facebook.

Action JP

825 03 Campus and TRACC

Move complete. No updates on TRACC. Meeting on 18th June for Councillors to talk to Chief Executive and Highland Council.

Problem with parking for children being picked up which council are looking at how it can be managed better.

825 04 Bus service for village

Community bus or medical car. GD will organise community meeting. Member of public brought up problem for students going to college and UHI in Inverness, we will support a letter to ask if the bus can be redirected from Balintore.

Action GD

825 06 Rockfield coastal protection

Ongoing

Action SV and GJ

825 07 Phone box car park notice board and information board

Now completed, many thanks to all involved. Reg Flegg, Hamish Mackenzie, Jim Phelps, Miles Harrison for their hard work, it looks amazing.

825 11 Road outside shop.

GU says it will be seen to.

Action GU and CR

1025 03**Blocked drains**

Member of community says that the one at the bottom of Castle hill still overflowing. Chapel Place not done nor near the monument.

Action CR

226 01**Invasive Buckthorn by first car park (by recycling)**

Not able to be removed. GD has asked community payback to trim them back from the paths

Action GD

226 02**Clean up of Shore between Rockfield and Wilkhaven**

Suggested a week of clean up. CR says we can leave piles of rubbish where van can collect. GD will discuss with GJ to pick suitable week and advertise it.

Action GD and GJ

1225 02**Carnegie Hall sound system**

System now in place.

1225 03**Drainage at Seafield**

No update

Action EN GU

1225 04

CR says council are unable to cut them back, council will ask owners of trees if they can cut them back.

226 03**Hand rails by steps**

No longer required as fence in place.

0226 01**Football pitch**

Nets now in place. GD and LD looked at the changing rooms building. Does not seem suitable for any other purpose.

Action MR

0226 02**Erosion of sea wall on Portmahomack front.**

MR has sent e-mail to inform us that it is on the capital programme for repair and will hopefully this will not be too long before it comes to the top.

Wires from gabions sticking out CR will ask about this

Action CR

0326 01 EN road to Back street concerned as it looks like it might have sunk a bit. EN will send details to GU who will investigate.

Action CR

0626 01 Abandoned caravans and cars by football field

Concerns have been raised about this. MR has reported this to environmental health and the Highland Council. CR says there is a meeting coming up to discuss this issue.

Action CR

Councillors report:**CR**

Local Place Plan - MR has grouped together the peninsula villages and has successfully applied for funding to get a professional in to do the plan. On 18th June there will be a meeting EN will attend and this will all be explained about how it will work.

AOCP

Nil

Police report

No incidents

Correspondence

None

Meeting closed at 20.11

Next meeting 7:30 on Wednesday 5th August 2026