

Torry Community Council

Meeting Minutes

Date: 19 November 2025

Time: 7:18 PM – 9:00 PM

Location: Greyhope Community Hub

Attendance

Present:

- Victor Onyemejor – Chair
- John Meikljohn – Vice Chair
- David Fryer – Planning
- Michal Debski – ICT / Social Media
- Simon McLean – Member
- Christian Allard – Elected Councillor
- Alex Nicoll – Elected Councillor
- Ian Lippe – RAAC Campaign
- Bill Esson – Torry Community Group
- Lyn Wynstanley – RAAC Campaign
- Richard Caie – Friends of St Fittick's
- Lesley-Anne – Friends of St Fittick's
- Linda Harper – Torry People Assembly
- Annie Monroe – Former TCC Member
- Nathaniel Wyvern
- Scott
- Mr. Wright
- Okwas Akerele – Torry Lighthouse Centre

1. Welcome and Opening

The meeting commenced at 7:18 PM. No apologies were received from members or councillors absent from the meeting.

2. Adoption of Previous Minutes (18 October 2025)

An observation was raised that the discussion regarding Victoria Bridge was not captured in the previous minutes. As a result, adoption of the minutes was suspended to allow for corrections.

Decision: Adoption deferred pending amendment of the October minutes.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Coastal Road Project

David Fryer raised concerns about the impact of ongoing road construction on Torry roads, particularly the movement of heavy vehicles. Members expressed concern that no clear mitigation measures are currently in place.

Action: Community Council to request clarity from Aberdeen City Council on mitigation measures for Torry roads. (Responsible: Chair & Planning Officer – December 2025)

3.2 St Fittick's Community Park

Members reported that contractors were seen on-site despite earlier objections raised by the community and stakeholders. Concerns were raised that Aberdeen City Council authorised the project without notifying affected parties.

Uncertainty remains regarding ownership of the park land, with differing views on whether it is held in trust. The campaign group confirmed continued engagement with legal advisers. Aberdeen City Council stated its decisions are based on legal advice.

Members requested clarity on land ownership and expressed concerns about public and environmental impact. It was noted that Aberdeen City Council is listed as part of the trust for St Fittick's Park.

Action: Members encouraged to request Aberdeen City Council's asset register to confirm land ownership. (Responsible: Secretary / Community Members – December 2025)

4. RAAC Update

Aberdeen City Council has agreed in principle to provide additional funding to affected homeowners. No moving grant has been agreed.

Homeowners have until 10 December 2025 to decide on voluntary acquisition. Moving-out deadlines may be extended where necessary.

5. Police Report

Police Scotland advised that community police reports will be issued quarterly from next year.

6. Councillors' Report

No formal councillor reports were presented because the meeting overran and the janitor needed to go home.

Cllr. Christian Allard encouraged members to notify him of issues requiring follow-up with Aberdeen City Council.

7. Local Place Plan Update

Members raised concerns regarding accessibility of the Local Place Plan. Suggestions included posting paper copies and online updates via the Community Hub and Facebook.

Action: Improve public access to Local Place Plan information.

(Responsible: Secretary & ICT Officer – December 2025)

8. Financial Report

Community funding allocations approved:

Group	Amount
St Fittick's Campaign	£100.00
RAAC Campaign	£200.00
Local Place Plan	£200.00
JHT Community Children's Christmas Party	£200.00
TLC Community Christmas Carols	£200.00
THG Memorial Cross	£200.00
Little Miss UK	£100.00
TDT Christmas Lights	£100.00
Hosting Package	£50.00
Bruce Gardens (Torry Community Group)	£100.00
Tullos PTA	£100.00
Greyhope PTA	£100.00

Total Funding Distributed: £1,650.00

9. Victoria Bridge Update

Members agreed that Victoria Bridge requires urgent maintenance and an on-site inspection.

Action: Request on-site inspection of Victoria Bridge.

(Responsible: Councillors – December 2025)

10. Jesus House Torry Asset Transfer Update

The asset transfer has been completed. The building will be known as The Lighthouse Centre. Renovation and cleaning works have commenced, and the centre is open for community activities.

11. Meeting Close

The meeting concluded at 9:00 PM, followed by light refreshments to close the final meeting of the year.

Signed:

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Secretary, Torry Community Council