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KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a special meeting held on 10th September 1979 in Kemnay School to cover a backlog of business.

Present: Mrs Milton (Chairman) from 7.45 pm
Mr Bailey (Vice Chairman)
Mrs Wainman (Secretary)
Mr Wainman
Mr Stubbs
Mrs Forbes
Mr McKay
Mr Robertson
Mr Williams
Mr Dow
Mr Cumming
Mr Cobb
Mr Hern
Mrs Innes (from 8.20 pm)

Attending: Cllr Reid
Apologies: Cllr Mc Lean
Absent: Mr Hughes

Due to the fact that Mrs Milton had advised she would be late the Vice Chairman took the chair for this meeting: Mrs Milton was unable to officiate on arrival due to toothache so Mr Bailey chaired the whole meeting.

Minutes of the meeting held on 30th August were accepted as a true record: Proposed Mr Wainman, Seconded Mr Stubbs, no dissent.

Matters Arising

a. Land at Aquithie Road site

Mr McKay raised this matter. He suggested as this site was now to be developed, the community should have a positive input as to what should go there, and to this end a blank map of the site should be circulated with the next newsletter. The public should be invited to draw up their ideas and submit them, the council should collate the ideas and ensure that the planners were in no doubt as to the communities wishes for this central site. After discussion as to the scale of maps, the marking of unsuitable areas through drainage problems etc, the proposal was seconded by Mr Wainman and accepted without dissent.

b. Land to be recommended for industrial site.

Although the Policy group in their submission on the suitable sites had recommended this site, they had excluded the croft area between it and Bremner Way to provide a 'buffer zone' but the planners had incorporated the croft into the site, which they were to recommend. It was agreed to write to the Planning Dept and request their reasons for doing so.

Letters Received

1. A £40 grant from the Regional Council towards expenses.
2. A letter from the District Council re the availability of notice boards for Community Councils on a repayment basis. The Vice Chairman to investigate dimensions, costs ect and whether an offer of a site on the Post Office wall made some time back was still open.

3. Cllr McLean had written to cover the Regional matters as he was unable to attend personally.

a. The roads dept was investigating the proposed one-way access for the Parkhill Lodge Planning Application, and also the best way to improve the Inverurie road 'T' junction. The east Leshangie road junction would have the priorities indicated

b. He had been unable to attend the discussions with the Police authorities over the replacement of the village constable but understood the matter was being progressed.

c. The problems of the Bogbeth Rd were under consideration

d. The weeds in the Aquithe Rd site were to be cleared as soon as possible.

4. The letter from the District over the Tree-planting issue was to go into the newsletter for public suggestions. The letter from the Countryside Commission for Scotland was to be referred to the policy group to assess what value could be obtained.

5. A grant had now been received from the District Finance Dept of £124.05p.

6. An investigation into the complaints re dust from the Whitestones quarry was underway.

7. A letter from the Chief Executive over the replacement of the litter bins in the park by a more suitable type was received. In effect, public spending cuts made the replacement unlikely. The council felt that this was unacceptable and false economy, and the matter should be pursued now that detailed specifications and prices of suitable types had been obtained. A letter should also be sent to the Countryside Commission to see whether they could help finance the replacement. Under this item, a discussion took place on the litter problem following sporting events, particularly football matches. An approach was to be made to the authorities who handle bookings for the use of the park to find out who was responsible for the clearing up and whether it could be better enforced.

8. A letter about the Planning Aid service was referred to the newsletter for public information.

9. A letter was received from the Public Hall committee to the effect that the Returning Officer could book the hall as a polling station in the normal way if he so wished.

10. Radio Aberdeen wanted a four-person team for an inter-village quiz programme. The secretary is hunting down volunteers.

II. The Chairman ruled that a letter from Mr McKay covering several points over the handling of the Parkhill Lodge issue would be dealt with under ACCB.

12. A letter had been received from Messrs Davidson and Garden (Solicitors) on behalf of Mr Hammond-Giles over the same issue. It was read out, together with the replies sent. Mr Hern asked whether the advice of the District Legal Dept had been sought over this letter which he saw as a veiled threat of legal action. It was agreed to seek this advice. It was also proposed by Mr Hern, seconded by Mr Williams that a show of hands be taken to see whether there were in fact six councillors who wished to have a special

meeting under the constitution to re-discuss this matter, which had been ruled closed at the last meeting. On a show of hands, only five of the fourteen councillors present were in favour so the matter remains closed. Mrs Forbes asked for it to be recorded that she felt the issue had been dealt with in an unfortunate and unfair way.

Agenda Items

a. Station House Site

The future of this site was discussed. It was noted from the District Council minutes that an approach had been made to purchase part of this site to extend the grocery shop next door. The council agreed to write to the District Council to ascertain their intentions especially over the possible removal of the bridge and re-alignment of the road junction.

b. Meeting Dates.

The secretary read out the dates booked for the meetings in the school building until next spring.

AGCB

a. New Academy.

It was noted that the plans had been re-submitted for the academy. No reply has been received yet to the invitation for a speaker from the Regional Education Dept to discuss the building. Mr Stubbs to check on the detailed plans and report back to the next meeting.

b. Mr McKay's letter

An explanation for the lack of an agenda for the meeting in question was made by the secretary. It was confirmed that copies of all agendas and minutes are available in the village library, and other places such as the post office. After discussion on the recording of names when votes are taken, it was decided on a show of hands (ten FOR, four ABSTAINING) that future recording of votes would be by show of hands.

c. Press Reports

Mr Bailey took the opportunity of the presence of a P & J reporter to complain about the lack of response to his letter over the reporting of the June Meeting.

d. Halls

The village hall committee chairman is to be re-invited to come and discuss the need for rebuilding. A letter is to be sent welcoming the proposed extension of the Church Hall to the controlling authorities.

e. Tennis Courts

Mr Wainman wished to record his satisfaction that the resurfacing of the tennis courts is under way.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm. Next meeting, 27th Sept at 7.30 pm.

K.C.C. Meeting 10th Sept 1979

S Milton late D. Bailey took chair

P & J present S. Stubbs to cover Squeak & Peoples Journal

Apologies D. McLean P Innes late H. Hughes absent

Minutes Prop F.W.W. Sec S. Stubbs adopted

Standing orders committee report back next meeting with draft

Aquithie Road Proposal McKay Circulate in next newsletter map to be filled in and returned with ideas Site walk, feed back. collate - them to planners, locate springs & indicate on map. maybe lease Hall for meeting - use local skills if any. size from District - Tinlin

Industry Why are planners now including Crofthouse Corsefield in patch

Notice Board P O investigate

Tree Planting Item for newsletter possibly edge of village suggestions

Polution Whitestones quarry please keep us informed WRITE

Litter in park after football match on Sunday 9th Sept Ask G.D.

if they refuse to let if litter is left McKay Cheaper to buy good bins than replace bad ones ? Robertson McKay Price of Super Gubby to G.D.

£43.80- Hern opposed to us buying Forbes - not adequate for use.

Ask countryside commission for money and advice on type. Keep Gr Tidy also Prop S. Stubbs Sec J. Herm - R.Reid Write to McKinnon WRITE-Paul Miller

Letter from McLean read 16th July

Bogbeth Road Sunday 9th am Lyon Combine harvester - obstruction police WRITE to Chief Constable

Walks

- sub committee T. Williams, M. Forbes, D. Bailey

Planning Aid Item in Newsletter

Davidson & Garden In absence of standing orders chairman rules

Write to G.D. Can we have assurance from legal Dept if D.&D. take us to task. Cumming - point of order minutes do not actually say matter closed.

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Quiz Offers Radio Aberdeen S.Stubbs F.W.W. ,Oldham Junior.

Station House Write to G.R. Roads act now

Agenda more detailed in future If somebody is available to speak put it on the agenda body hopes to be available

F.W.W. Impossible to canvass all Kemnay to ascertain. Do No Vote only record viewpoints McKay said we must vote. Do we record names of voters? Record by number only Vote taken. I abstained. McKay record his name should not have been used in June vote.

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Planning Applications Vet Surgery Siover Burnett Arms temporary
Robeetson storage gas cylinders En vir Health oversee this
Church Hall McKay would like K.C.C. To welcome this increased facility
Public Hall Write & ask chairman to come to some meeting
Tennis Court F.W.W. record pleasure work started
Graffiti Inverurie swimming pool Bailey record displeasure R Reid action
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K.C.C. June 28th

es O.K. except V.A.T. & omission of Landscaping in Glebe

old Vintage bar = status Darts pool etc

function suite needed in village, no lowering of standards

family home willing to provide all services, music - not loud

flat over function suite for family will then provide 10 letting rooms

Outbuilding tidied & outside appearance improved, old stone wall

to be retained, mansard roof

Parking 25 extra cars for function suite + 34 more on drive

ONEWAY TRAFFIC

Not reapplying for Sunday opening after this year

Building a family business- not for selling

MOTION Proposed by J. Hern

Seconded by D. Bailey

Withdraw objection to planning application if one way traffic system is installed

L. McKay strongly opposed to about turn on last meeting

We must find out our facts before submitting comments

Do standing orders forbid us discussing again under 6 months

S. Stubbs not get bogged down in s.o.

6 for 3 against- not flat contradiction only further aspect

Licencing objection withdrawal

Proposed S. Stubbs

5 for 4 against record in letter

Sec D. Bailey

L. McKay dissent from whole thing

(phoned planning J. Young 29-6-79 one way system not considered seriously originally cars in at Vic Terr and Tradesmen at Parkhill delay in submitting plans of landscaping, mentioned exit Parkhill but not officially applied for.)

LITTER IN PARK

B. Duncan upset by criticism, Mr Robertson only critical of bins not being emptied. public entirely to blame for mess

Reid said concrete bins too expensive and all villages would want them

£30 - £40 each S. Stubbs cost effective trial to save labour

J. Hern - good investment 2 would make a significant improvement

HIGH ST. Temporary reinstatement

WELL being filled and finished Reid

BOGBOTH ROAD 2 sides to question Lyon difficulty McLean pressing for 30 mph from shed takes time to process

GLEBE LANDSCAPING where does responsibility lie? Barrats as not yet adopted

Victoria Terr regrading drains not yet started - in pipeline McLean
Quarry Road on list for repair — 29-6-79 - started.

Lorry Parking policy committee to investigate. sites

When off street parking opposite Hall possible site out of hours

Blood Donor Report. MJW notice in Newsletter McKay

Doctors Equipment Reid Coffee Morning Sat 30th June

Tree planting Letter G.D. next time

Robe#ttson damage to trees in park

Park Pavilion Design Committee Pirie to fix meeting with Tech Services
visit Huntly pavilion

Walks around Kiemnay

Rights of Way D. Bailey. contact local landowners to see
where they would permit walkers. M McLean to send book of Alford
D. Bailey to start

Planning Aid next time

Knowe Corner Mr J. Smith prepared to have piece cut off garden for
better turn out McLean to investigate.

Police McLean to contact Public Protection Officer to find out best way
to handle . J. Hern suggest informal meeting with Greig &
office bearers

Planning Ian Cameron North Aq#itthie public road poor complaints brok
edges Application will add significantly to traffic
Object unless plant is very small already asked for passing
places with present traffic load and this has been refused by roads

Whitestones Quarry J. Hern has had reports that there seems to be
excessive amount of dust Environmental health please check
priority lines on newly tarmaced road

Label at main road junction whitestones, knackery add East Leschan
Taffy Williams old cars dumped at Alexander Cres.

Meetings to continue on Thursdays book for yearstart 30-8-79

? McLean

Parkhill Lodge Hotel

Representations
Comments, observations

At the meeting on 31st May I was instructed to write & object on behalf of K.C.C. ~~mm~~ to planning permission Public Bar , Function Suite & Flat. on the grounds of the extra traffic creating a road hazard. On contemplation I decided that for 10 years I had been complaining about the road junction and if this was improved there was no reason for objection to a man expanding his premises.

Therefore make Fraser Place a non exit and install a one way system of traffic around Parkhill Lodge . The objection on road safety grounds ~~now holds no water~~ is now invalid and the whole situation is improved.

We were very much swayed by Mr McKay and his report of unseemly behaviour on particularly Sunday afternoons. Unseemly behaviour on the public highway is a matter for the police and is not the responsibility of the ~~owner~~ of business premises. Compared with the number of patrons the the percentage who behave badly is very small. It is very regrettable but should not be the reason for refusing to allow a man to extend his lawful business.

In both points it is the education of the general public which is needed. The road is quite safe if the speed limit is observed and the traffic routed sensibly. The inconsiderate behaviour of a minority should not penalise the majority or stop a man making a legitimate living.

For several years I have been regretting the fact that all the local groups go away from the village for their annual sociable functions. I have hopes that one day we shall have the the public hall improved to form a community centre so that residents will want to hold their events in it. Now that Kemnay has grown to the size it is (albeit without our being consulted) in view of our isolation , the cost and possible scarcity of fuel we need to be able to hold our sociable occasions in our own village . A function suite will provide this extra facility.