

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY 21ST MARCH 1991

Present: Mrs Milton, Mrs Shrago, Mr Wainman, Mr Evans, Mr Marco, Mr Brown, Mr Cumming, Mr Moir, Mr Stock, Mr M Power, Miss Souter.

Apologies: Mr Yates, Mr Pashley, Mr Downie, Mrs Cobb

Attending: Hugh Campbell (member of the public), Cllr Wainman, Cllr Hunter, Ms Marie Sharp (Evening Express)

1. The Chairman welcomed everyone and the apologies were read.
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Proposed adoption: Mr Wainman, seconded: Mr Moir, passed no dissent.

3. Matters arising:- (a) National Spring Clean Week 19-28th April 1991. Mr Brown said he would be prepared to co-ordinate this. The 20th April was suggested. Miss Souter offered to help. Mr Brown to write an article for the Newsletter.

(b) Possible purchase of pooper-scoopers. Cllr Wainman said the Department has information as to where to obtain these but it needs someone to run this as a commitment and some system of distribution. AGENDA ITEM May meeting.

4. Unfinished Business. (a) Nomination forms for Community Council election. The Secretary said that nine nominations had been received by the 18th March. Three forms did not arrive by the designated hour. She had discussed the matter with Mr Grant at Legal Services, Gordon District who had said that the late-comers could be co-opted and an election for the six vacant places be held in a few months' time. It was suggested that the matter be discussed at the first meeting after the summer recess. AGENDA ITEM - September meeting. It being the Annual General Meeting, Mr Moir proposed co-opting Mr M Power, Mr P Stock, Mr L Brown and also Miss Souter as the Kemnay Academy representative. This was seconded by Mr Evans. Passed no dissent.

(b) Mr Wainman read a report of a meeting held on Thursday 13th March attended by skateboarders, members of the District Council Leisure and Recreation Department, the youth worker and others. Everyone turned up except the objectors.

5. Correspondence received. Letter from Grampian Region with "Issues for the Grampian Structure Plan". Copies of the latter were passed out. It was suggested that we try and get a swimming pool included. AGENDA ITEM - April meeting.

6. The Chairman's Annual Report was read by Mrs Milton and a copy is attached to these Minutes.

7. The Financial Statement was read by Mr Cumming and a copy of same is attached. Proposed adoption: Mr Wainman, seconded: Mr Evans. Mr Cumming said that he was now standing down as Treasurer after some ten years. The Chairman thanked him for all his hard work during that time.

8. New business. (a) Mr Marco mentioned the problem of traffic coming over the hump in Station Road/Aquithie Road. People crossing from the bank to the shop are in fear of their lives, as people speed over the top of the hill. Would anything would be gained by changing the right of way so that cars coming up Station Road and Aquithie Road would have to give way? Cllr Hunter to contact the Roads Department and see if anything can be done. Cllr Hunter suggested that perhaps rumble strips might be an option.

(b) Miss Souter had been asked whether it would be possible to hold a Youth Club in the Public Hall in the evenings to get youngsters off the streets. Miss Souter to speak to the Community Education Staff.

(c) Mr Moir said many cars have been driving up High Street the wrong way. He felt the road signs were rather high. He suggested "No Entry" painted on the road would be a good idea. Cllr Hunter to investigate.

9. District News. (a) Cllr Wainman said that the Council have decided on a project in Alehousewells to see if a Residents Association (as opposed to a Tenants Association) can be set up, and they are going ahead with this. All the residents will be informed. Mr Moir felt if there were a Residents Association it should include the whole village. Several of the councillors felt it would be duplicating the functions of the Community Council.

(b) Cllr Wainman said that the Gas Board will be returning shortly to the District Council to tell them how they are progressing with the possibility of bringing Gas to Kemnay.

(c) Jehovah's Witness Hall - Bridge Road. The Planning Application for this with 24 car-parking spaces has gone through.

10. Regional news. (a) Rose Beds in Kendal Road. Cllr Hunter said the Surveyor is reluctant to take out the rose beds, however the matter will be considered at the Roads Committee this coming week. He is to explore the possibility of extending the double yellow lines from Don View Road to beyond Windyridge.

(b) With reference to the road behind Wood Gardens mentioned in he previous Minutes, the Surveyor is prepared to put up "No Through Road" signs.

(c) He had received a request for a Bus Shelter at the Bus Stop at the top of Bremner Way (Academy end). He has also been in touch with the Bus Company about the lateness of some of the buses. Miss Souter asked about the possibility of more buses between Kemnay and Inverurie. She was asked to get a list of all the people who had requested more buses and specify times.

(d) Cllr Hunter has had a meeting with the Chief Superintendent of Police. He was told that Community Councils have a statutory right to object to the grant of late licences for hotels, etc. The Chief Superintendent would be willing to address one of our meetings if there was sufficient interest. He is keen to increase Community involvement in Crime Prevention. AGENDA ITEM - May meeting.

(e) Cllr Hunter said that cleaning up the water and sewerage systems

will be very costly. There will be pressure on the District Council not to grant Planning Permissions because of the possible increase in drainage.

11. Planning Applications. Nothing contentious. Mr Marco showed plans for his new house in Craigearn which might encounter difficulties with the planners.

Mr Campbell then said he was a resident of Riverside Road and it appears that the site behind Riverside Road bordering the Monymusk Road is now zoned for 200 houses. Residents of Riverside Road are very concerned about this. The Community Council felt that 200 houses would be excessive on the site and they would certainly object when it got to the Outline Planning Stage.

12. A.O.C.B. The Chairman then thanked Councillor Hunter for his work on our behalf over the last year, as he had not been present for the Chairman's Report.

13. There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 9.50 p.m. The next meeting will be on Thursday 25th April 1991.

Proposed: Seconded: Signed:

It has been most gratifying to have had a very successful year for the Community Council. I have been very busy and I have been able to attend most of the meetings. It has been a pleasure to have been present and I would like to say how much we appreciate their being with us.

Last April was the last meeting of Councillor David Nelson who was present. He had been our Councillor for twelve years and had always signified that he would not offer himself for re-election when his term was up, but I do not think any of us realised that he was suffering from an obscure and incurable disease. The Community Council will always be grateful for his regular attendance at our meetings and for the considerable amount of work he did on our behalf much of it very successfully. We were very sad to hear of his death last year.

At last year's meeting all were present. The Chairman's Report was passed by a large majority. The Chairman's Report was passed by a large majority. The Chairman's Report was passed by a large majority.

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**KEMNAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AGM
CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR MARCH 1991**

Kemnay Community Council has not accomplished any world shattering achievements this year, but I think we are all going to benefit from the work that is at present being carried out in Station Road. The improvements in this area are to my mind the result of this council's investigating the parking problems in Station Road two years ago, following which the Roads Department put their heads together and we hope that now a solution has been found. Month by month the Community Council has maintained a steady appraisal of happenings that affect the parish of Kemnay.

Last March the Council approved the motion that an official representative, who was an elected member of the Kemnay Academy School Council, be co-opted as a non-voting member of the Community Council to be known as the School Council Member. The Constitution was amended accordingly and Miss Souter was the first School Council Member and attended the meetings very regularly. It is to be hoped that future members are as conscientious.

It has been most gratifying to have had a regular attendance by the members of Grampian Police this past year and I would like to thank Sgt. Donald and PC Reynolds for coming to our meetings. It has been a valuable asset to have them present and I would like them to know how much we appreciate their being with us.

Last April was the last occasion Councillor David McLean was present. He had been our Regional Councillor for twelve years and had always signified that he would not offer himself for re-election when his term was up, but I do not think any of us realised that he was suffering from an obscure and incurable disease. The Community Council will always be grateful for his regular attendance at our meetings and for the considerable amount of work he did on our behalf, much of it very successfully. It was with deep regret that we learnt of his death last Autumn.

At last year's Kemnay Fair the Community Council were present, if somewhat sparsely, and leaflets handed out to passers-by. The Chairman, David Bailey, felt that in future something should be done to entice the general public to the stall.

A proposal that Local Officials could hold Clinics on a regular basis in the Public Hall for the benefit of considerable numbers of people unable to travel to Aberdeen or Inverurie, was passed with general approval, but both Grampian Region and Gordon District, apart from signifying their interest, have

taken no action. However, Mr George Laing, the Rural Services Officer of the DSS, is available in the Public Hall on Friday mornings between 9:30 and 11:30. The Community Council, true to its past form, on receipt of a letter from Grampian Region regarding the Polling Places and asking for alternatives, pressed once more for the use of the Public Hall instead of Kemnay Primary School. The Hall possesses all the requirements necessary and is much more centrally placed. The Scottish Office is considering our proposal.

The Community Council Chairman, David Bailey, resigned at the June meeting last year. It was sad that he should leave on a rather sour note, but he later told me that pressure of work was making his role as a Community Councillor increasingly difficult. I would like to take this opportunity of recording the Community Council's indebtedness to David for his work as an ordinary councillor, as vice-chairman and as chairman over the past years. On my accepting the chair, Bill Wainman was elected Vice-Chairman and my thanks go to him for standing in for me on several occasions. I am most grateful.

On the Planning applications side I want to thank David Evans for his valuable work in this field. He has gone to endless trouble on many occasions to present a clear picture to us of the areas concerned. Thank you, David.

The taxi site is still causing concern, although some aspects - ie the tarpaulin - have been tidied up. Let us hope that, with further pressure, the whole outlook will be more acceptable. The number of houses proposed for the Bridge Road area gave cause for concern especially as there appeared to be insufficient access to the complex and lack of amenity area.

Last November the Community Council was asked to consider the Skateboarders' situation. Members of the public were objecting to their use of the Kembhill Park tennis courts which Councillor Wainman had said they could use. The skateboarders attended the meeting as did several irate members of the public who were objecting in the strongest terms. The Community Council advised the boys to get their act together and form a proper club. This they have now done, and their newly drafted rules and regulations which they presented at the council's last meeting, appeared entirely acceptable, and, in the absence of any dissent we wished them luck and much enjoyment.

Lorry parking still presents a problem and the rose beds in Kendall Road may well cause an accident before they are removed. The Police are keeping an eye on the situation.

We welcomed the proposal of a Nursery School in Kemnay and I understand things are already moving in the right direction.

The idea of twinning Kemnay with a similar village in France was felt to be particularly desirable even though we are so far

from the Channel. However it is hoped that something will come of this. The exchange of dialogue and visits are both to be encouraged.

I must thank Hugh Cumming for keeping our finances in order and attending to all outlays and payments to the Community Association for the excellent coverage given the Community Council in the Newsletters. How many of you, I wonder, realise that it is not the Chairman who runs a committee or council - it is the Secretary. She has the most onerous and exacting task and Sandy performs this in her outstanding and inimitable way. She has my most grateful thanks and that of the whole council as well. Thank you, Sandy. It now remains for me to thank all other members on behalf of the Parish of Kemnay for caring enough about their village to serve on this council. I hope future Community Councils will be as lucky in their members.

MRS S MILTON

KENWAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31/03/2014

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Certified Correct
 Date 12/1/91
 11/1/91
 (TREASURER)

NOTE: The closing balance is reserved in whole or in part for:-

Seats by its River Walk

Hugh A Cumming TREASURER

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify:

- (a) That payments shown are as described
- (b) That, as far as I can ascertain, all receipts for the year concerned are shown overleaf
- (c) That the closing Balance/Overdraft shown overleaf reconciles with the Community Council Bank Account.

Signed *Stanley C McKewen (Sd)*

Date *17/1/91*