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## KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING HELD IN KEMNAY SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 1981 at 7.30pm

Present:- Mrs Milton, D. Bailey, H. Cumming, P. Cobb, Mrs M. Forbes, Dr J. Hern,  
L. McKay, N. Robertson, Mrs M. Wainman, W. Wainman, W. Williams.

In Attendance :- Councillors Reid & McLean. Press Mr Mr Oslin Cramb.

Apologies :- H. Hughes, S. Stubbs.

1. Adoption of Minute of meeting on June 25th 1981: Proposed W. Wainman, seconded P. Cobb, passed without dissent.
2. Matters arising
  - a. Information Centre: As the hire fee for the use of Friendship House had increased and the response to the one morning per week had not been good, it was agreed to review the hire at the next K.C.C. meeting. Proposed D. Bailey, seconded H. Cumming, passed without dissent. It was noted by the K.C.C. that Mrs Wainman had more response to her home address for the Village Link service, than to Friendship House.
  - b. Regional Annual Grant: The K.C.C. Treasurer L. McKay informed the meeting that the grant had been received that day including an increase of £ 10 making £ 50 in all from the Region.
  - c. Play Equipment at The Glebe: It was noted that the Gordon District Council, Miscellaneous Services Committee had decided against the erection of the proposed play equipment at The Glebe. It was noted that all District Councillors on the committee had voted against it. The Chairman, Mrs Milton ruled against any further discussion regarding the democracy or otherwise of this decision by the G.D.C.
  - d. Robert's Tree: A letter from the Chief Executive, Mr Kennedy, was read out, explaining that the matter of the tree would be put to the committee to decide upon. The decision would be passed on to the K.C.C.
  - e. Corsefield Croft: Projected Industrial site. The request of the K.C.C. that the corner of Bremner Way and Aquithie Road to be excluded from the site could not be complied with. However, the Planning Officer of the Gordon District assured the K.C.C. that a tree screen would be planted along the Kembhill. Disappointment in this decision was expressed by D. Bailey & P. Cobb.
  - f. Craigmile Quarry Explosive Store: An overall feeling of disappointment was the tone of the discussion on this matter. After some debate, it was agreed to write to the G.D.C. Planning Officer to seek assurance that the approval of a second store building on the site would not be used in future as a lever to apply for an increase in the quantity of explosive stored there. Proposed L. McKay seconded Mrs M. Forbes. It was noted that permission for the first building had been granted on the recommendation of the planning Officer, supported by the full committee. When pressed Councillor Reid said that he had to support it as there were no real planning grounds for refusing it, despite petition by 81 residents.
3. Correspondence
  - a. Kemnay had received a 'Commended' certificate in the Britain in Bloom Tourist Board competition.
  - b. The Church Hall clock was now lit and working. Miss Duncan had written to inform the K.C.C. that a Board meeting would investigate tree pruning to improve visibility of the clock from the street.
  - c. Toilet in Park, no letter yet.
4. New Business
  - a. Water supply on Whitestones Quarry side of Leschangie Hi 1  
D. Bailey requested that Councillor McLean investigate the possibility of installing a water main along the road. This year water supply from residents wells had been unreliable, possibly due to the drought, or even as a result of the quarry operations nearby. Several of the householders were getting together to agree joint action. Councillor McLean agreed to investigate. Item to be included in next months agenda.  
Inform Kintore Community Council.

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b. A 96 /Dyce Airport turning

Mrs Milton drew attention to the large number of vehicle accidents at this junction since the new Airport road had been commissioned. She requested action by the Roads Dept. to make the junction safer, either by a round about, or by traffic lights. D. Bailey supported the motion explaining that as a daily user, he thought that large vehicles approaching from Aberdeen to turn right to the Airport often blocked the view of the drivers wanting to pull out and turn to Inverurie. Vehicles turning towards Aberdeen and holding on the inside lane of the Airport road exit also blocked the view of vehicles coming from Aberdeen. Councillor McLean agreed to look into the problem and report at the next meeting.

c. Station Bridge development : no news yet

Pitfichie Bridge : Built in 1907 undergoing reconstruction

d. Flooding of Village Green : Several community councillors commented on the 'Duck pond' which had appeared after the drainage and grass sowing with the heavy rain. Councillor McLean to follow up.

e. Kemnay sports pavilion: Mr Reid reported 'reasonable progress' W. Wainman asked for details of management of the premises. Mr McKay offered to make enquiries from the interim committee.

f. Resurfacing Tennis Court: Mr McKay welcomed the progress so far and this was welcomed by the K.C.C.

g. Tree planting programme: Councillor Reid said that this item was a dead duck this winter.

A.O.C.B. Money for safety slabs for swings : The Secretary informed the council

a. that £ 250 had been collected for safety slabs under swings at Alehousewells and that Mr Bruce of Gordon District Technical Services would recommend acceptance of this with the responsibility by G.D.C. for the upkeep of swings and climbing frame. Councillor Reid confirmed this.

b. N. Robertson commented on the height of the shrubs on the island outside Kemnay School which hid children from the view of motorists turning from Victoria Terrace into High Street. He proposed that low growing shrubs with maximum height of two feet be planted. This was seconded by L. McKay and passed without dissent Councillor McLean was asked to report on this for the next meeting.

c. Rambling Club: Due to the slow progress of the Rights of Way and Walks sub committee, help was to be sought in listing walks in and around Kemnay. The rambling club had volunteered to help on this. Mrs Forbes proposed that K.C.C. should aim to produce a leaflet by spring 1982

d. Path accross Paradise Green : It was noted that the path construction alongside Mr Noakes garden had undermined the wall foundations. The council workmen were making good the mistake and this should be satisfactorily concluded by the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 2120, and the next meeting fixed for Thursday October 29th, 7.30 Kemnay school.