MINUTES OF MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 1992

Present: Mrs Milton, Mrs Shrago, Mr Evans, Mrs Wainman, Mr Pashley, Mr Yates, Mr Marco, Mrs Newberry

Attending: PC Pat Delday and Cadet Ian Macleland (Grampian Police), Cllr R Hunter

Apologies: Mr Wainman, Mrs Malcolm

- 1. Mrs Milton welcomed everyone and hoped that they had had a very pleasant "summer" break.
- 2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Proposed adoption: Mr Brown, seconded: Mrs Shrago. Passed no dissent.
- Matters arising:-
- (a) Licensing of Taxis. Mr Evans had ascertained that a plate should be displayed on the back of the taxis, together with a notice inside the vehicle. The driver should wear an identification badge. It would appear that both taxi companies in the village have now paid their licensing fees.
- (b) Rose Planting in Kendall Road. This matter to be left in abeyance due to lack of support.
- (4) Unfinished Business. The list of Senior Citizens' names is still awaited. Inverurie Rotary are prepared to provide the peep-holes.
- 5. Correspondence received. Letters from Gordon District re Paradise Green (Mr Pashley gave the up-to-date position with regard to this); copy letter from Kemnay Parish Church to Divisional Director of Roads re tarring and widening of Church Lane. Discussion ensued and opinion was that whilst there was no objection to a better surface it was not suitable for through traffic. No access from the top would solve the problem and it should be blocked by Mr Gardner's garden. The consensus of the meeting was that tarmac is not required. Clir Hunter to write to Mr Mitchell; letter from Perth and Kinross Community Councils re a "Scottish Forum" conference later in the year. It was agreed to write in support asking when and where; Letters from Gordon District re sand and gravel extraction at Mill Farm, review of Local Plan, Gordon 2001 and litter receptacles on mowers.
 - 6. New Business. Gordon 2001. The Community Council had called a public meeting on the 28th August relating to the above and this had been quite well-attended. Mr Evans then gave a precis of the workshop held at Gordon District Council on the 19th September relating to the same. The general feeling had been that Kemnay would prefer not to see any more housing. Representatives from Huntly and Insch were desperate to get more housing for their areas. It was felt that future housing should be directed to those areas wanting it. Other points to emerge were (a) Housing. A new settlement area which we had supported in the past and still support. (b) Green Field

Sites. Further housing or capital expenditure should be directed to places like Huntly, Insch, Balmedie and Oldmeldrum. Places on the railway line should be expanded to encourage people to use trains rather than cars. The Scotrail service should be improved. (c) Brown Field Sites. (d) Housing in Countryside in General. The new District Council seem to support housing in the countryside if you are a "local person". How is a "local person" defined? Most people were against sporadic development. (e) Low Cost Housing. (f) Roads and Transport. There should be some scope for locating another two or three supermarkets in Inverurie. This might cut down traffic to Aberdeen going to Asda, Tesco, etc. There is no DIY store in the local area. Thainstone or Inverurie might be suitable. There was also mention of possible Hi-Tec industries, Science Parks etc. (g) Leisure and Recreation. Some scope for developing Golf Courses in small communities without them at present. (h) Suggestions for improving Local Plan. Cross-reference; one separate document which would be more user-friendly; glossary of terms located at the beginning; also an index. (i) Industrial General. One and a half acres is shown which has never been taken up. We should think about further provision for zoning. Mr Yates asked for the provision of a Station at Kintore. The railway is part of the infrastructure and the provision of a railway station at Kintore is a good way of reducing the traffic on the A96. A large parking area would also be required. More integration between various types of public transport. There is no Bus Service to Dyce and it is one of the nearest large industrial sites in Aberdeen. Mr Evans to draft a letter to Gordon District incorporating all the comment and deliver it on the lst-October.

- 7. District News. None in the absence of Cllr Elrick.
 - 8. Regional News. The most important is the consultation on the New Structure Plan. The Council is happy to hold meetings for the information of Community Councils should they desire them. They are trying to group Community Councils together and have meetings for groups in each area. Every comment will be noted and the Structure Plan Committee will go through all the comments made by the public on matters relating to the Structure Plan whether agreeing or disagreeing, and these will be considered over a period towards the end of December to see if they can be incorporated in the final draft which will be submitted for approval by the Secretary of State. Closing date for comments is the end of December. There is a video about the services of Grampian Regional Council and Clir Hunter is willing to bring it along. The Janitor to be asked to set up the machine for the next meeting on the 29th October. The Chairman thanked Clir Hunter for attending the meeting.
 - 9. Planning Applications. Seventeen in all, nine of which have been approved. Regarding application for dwelling at Marypark Craigearn it was decided to write objecting to same.
 - 10. A.O.C.B. Mr Yates asked that an Agenda Item for the next meeting should be communication with the District Councillor.
 - 11. There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 9.45 p.m. The next meeting will be on Thursday 29th October 1992.

Proposed: Seconded: Signed: