## MINUTES OF MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 26TH JANUARY 1994 1995

Present: Mrs S Milton, Mrs S Shrago, Mr D Evans, Mr L Shrago, Mr and Mrs F Wainman, Mr E Pashley, Mrs J Newberry, Mr A Davies, Dr J Piggins

Apologies: Cllr J Elrick, Mr and Mrs R Marco, PC N Shand, Mr M Moss

Attending: Mr Mitchell (member of the public), Cllr R Hunter

- Mrs Milton welcomed everyone and wished them all a Happy New Year. The apologies were read.
- The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Proposed adoption: Mrs Wainman, seconded: Dr Piggins, passed no dissent.
- 3. Matters arising :-
- (a) Ideas on how to celebrate the Millenium. Dr Piggins mentioned an article he had seen in the Glasgow Herald which said there was money available. The Millenium Commission gets its income from the National Lottery and is proposing to fund twelve national projects to celebrate the new millenium, and also original and local projects of a smaller scale between £50,000 and £100,000,000. These will be funded in annual batches, applications for the first of which must be returned by the 31st March. The projects must be innovative to mark the end of this century and the beginning of the new one, and must be projects which will not otherwise be possible. Mr Wainman read his list which comprised a swimming pool, hall extension, High Street pavement and flower baskets. Other suggestions were removing the electricity pylons and burying the cables, a pitch and putt course and a larger sports complex which could comprise a swimming pool as well as community education. Cllr Hunter said that the community education facilities are really badly squeezed. The new Authority would have to deal with it. A good community centre was also needed. After further discussion it was decided to try for the larger leisure centre. Dr Piggins to send for an information pack. AGENDA ITEM - next meeting.
- (b) Play Areas. It would seem that these will be upgraded as and when funds are available.
- 4. New Business. There was none.
- 5. Correspondence received. A letter from GRAIN re the possible formation of a Credit Union in the Kemnay area. They were asking for representatives to attend a meeting in the Village Hall on 6th February at 7.30 p.m. at which more details will be given. Mrs

Wainman to attend and report back to the next meeting. AGENDA ITEM - next meeting. A letter and press release from Sir Archibald Grant dated 28th November was read in which he sincerely apologised and offered his resignation from his Community Council. Various letters Gordon District Council.

- (a) New Business. Mrs Newberry agreed to act as a correspondent for the Evening Express.
- (b) Mrs Newberry asked Cllr Hunter for a barrier at the bottom of the patch which leads from the Church Hall to the High Street. Children using the Church Hall tear down this path and can easily run straight into the road. It was felt a zig zag barrier might be suitable. Cllr Hunter to investigate.
- 7. District News. None in the absence of Cllr Elrick.
- 8. Regional News. Cllr Hunter said that the Region is extremely short of funds and that various capital projects are not being done because of this. They have a planned maintenance system for the roads whereby they get done on a rotational basis. The Council is considering the cheaper system of going over to response maintenance. Cllr Hunter said that the Region has been persuading people of 50 and over to take early retirement. This will lead to a slower and less effective system, whatever that system may be. It was mentioned that an extremely bad part of Aquithie Road was the entrance to the quarry because of the heavy lorries going in and out and tearing up the road. The junction of the Kemnay and Inverurie roads was often a cause for concern. Cllr Hunter to report these problems. Cllr Hunter said that he would enquire about the possibility of speed ramps in Bremner Way, but as there were other areas in the Region with a much higher priority it was unlikely.
- 9. Planning Applications. Mr Evans said there were 9 in all of which 6 had been dealt with. He wanted to deal with the Local Plan first and circulated copies of the draft Plan proposals to everyone. The two main development sites proposed were Leschangie Road for approximately 100 houses or Monymusk Road for approximately 114 houses. After discussion it was agreed that members consider the matter in the interim and the matter be discussed further at the next meeting. AGENDA ITEM next meeting. There would be serious drainage problems with the Leschangie Road site. Mrs Milton thanked Mr Evans for all his work. The Planning Application by Mr Howie of Sauchen to build a work shop, storage yard and infill quarry with tipped waste at Craigmyle Quarry was discussed. Mr Evans to telephone Gordon District to find out the latest position. With reference to the application by Mr I Taylor to build a house at Nether Aquithie it was decided to object on the grounds that this is a development in the East Gordon Countryside and therefore contrary to planning policy.
- 10. A.O.C.B. (a) Mrs Shrago said she had received complaints that the right of way beyond Mr Evans' house is now blocked by cattle troughs and barbed wire. There are at present sheep in the field. Mr Evans had investigated the matter and finally got hold of

Mr Wakely the owner. He had been told that the sheep will be there for another two weeks. He has blocked the area off as there is a large gap under the gate and the sheep can get through. It also appears that the gate is often left open by people who walk through the fields. Mr Evans has suggested the possiblity in the long term of having a stile at each end. Mr Evans to monitor the situation and report back to the next meeting. AGENDA ITEM - next meeting.

- (b) Mrs Shrago also said she had received complaints about the Bowling Club. It would appear that this is being let out at weekends for various parties and functions in direct contravention of their Club licence. The complainants say that there is loud music playing until the early hours on Friday and Saturday nights and this is extremely annoying in the summer when windows and doors are open. The club has also been advertising meals in the local press. Dr Piggins said that he hears the noise from his house. A letter to be written to the Licensing Authority with a copy to PC Shand informing them of the complaints and contraventions of the licence.
- 11. Mrs Milton thanked Cllr Hunter for attending and commented that it was nice to see Mr Wainman back in his usual place and she hoped he would continue to improve in health by the minute. There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 9.30 p.m. The next meeting to be on Thursday 23rd February 1995.

Proposed adoption:

Seconded:

Signed: