

**Record of Activity**  
March/April 2020

**Due to COVID-19 restrictions, KCC is unable to conduct its regular monthly meetings in the Village Hall. KCC is, however, continuing to conduct business via e-mail.**

KCC can be contacted via the Secretary at [dfpatrick@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:dfpatrick@tiscali.co.uk)

**KCC members:** Bill Blackwood (Chair); Gaenor Berkin (Vice Chair), Fran Patrick (Secretary); John Whittall (Treasurer); Sue Wainman; Margaret Basley; Lee Aitken; Richard Lamplugh; William Irvine; Suzanne Bunton; Marie Glendinning; Claire Stewart; David Carlin; Sasha Brydon

**1 KCC response to COVID-19 crisis** - KCC was in the early stages of setting up its own resilience network when it learned that a group in the village – *Lend a Hand Kemnay* - had already been set up via Facebook and was putting in place much of what KCC had also in mind to do (essential shopping, prescription collection, befriending). Rather than duplicate effort, it seemed sensible for KCC to offer its support to Kayleigh Wallace and Pauline Paterson, the main organisers of *Lend a Hand Kemnay*. This support has been conducted via KCC Secretary, Fran Patrick, who has largely acted as a liaison between *LaHK* and Aberdeenshire Council and dealing with any issues that arise with the Garioch Coronavirus Assistance Hub, for example, or with any admin/bureaucracy. Following discussions with Area Office, it was considered a good idea to incorporate *LaHK* into KCC, under our Resilience sub-committee, as this would allow an application for funding to go ahead and also potential cover under KCC's insurance policy. This was discussed with K Wallace and P Paterson at *LaHK*, who were happy to accept this support from KCC. The proposal was put to all KCC members via email, to which 11 out of 14 replied, all in favour.  
(Action: F Patrick to inform Area Office.)

Funding has consequently been applied for – and awarded - from Aberdeenshire Council, which KCC's Treasurer, John Whittall, is going to manage along with the Secretary, who is in regular contact with the *LaHK* organisers, setting in place a procedure for dealing with how the funds are accessed and the necessary record-keeping. And following discussions with Zurich Insurers, *LaHK* is now covered under KCC's policy, at no extra charge.

Discussions have been held via email and telephone between K Wallace, F Patrick and Lorna Forsyth, Community Learning and Development Worker, about safeguarding procedures for *LaHK* and its group of about 50 volunteers. Procedures have been set in place following national guidelines.

**2 ASSOCIATE MEMBER NOMINATIONS** - It was felt that Kayleigh Wallace and Pauline Paterson of *LaHK* should be engaged as associate members to KCC. Both agreed to join KCC as associate members and their nominations were proposed to all KCC members by the Secretary via email, to which there were 11 out of 14 responses, all in favour.

(Action: F Patrick to inform Area Office.)

**3 POLICE MATTERS** – Police Report for March was received from Acting Sgt Denham and circulated. Very few crimes reported this month. Police reports may not be produced on such a regular basis, given the present circumstances.

**4 MATTERS ARISING:**

- a) **Community Resilience Fund** (Action: F Patrick has applied for funds for *LaHK*)
- b) **Guidance Note for Community Councils & Request for Information** – (Action: F Patrick to inform Area Office of how KCC is to continue conducting business under the present COVID-19 crisis.)
- c) **Garioch Community Planning Covid-19 E-Bulletin** – Weekly bulletin giving very useful information. A link to this bulletin is now on the village website.
- d) **Interim Area Manager (Garioch)** – M-J Cardno's replacement in the interim is to be Ann Overton
- e) **Application for Premises Licence** – Kemnay Golf Club (No objection from KCC)

## **5 PLANNING MATTERS & APPLICATIONS –**

- a) **Current planning applications** - All discussed via email; no action to be taken on any  
Alterations & Extension to Dwellinghouse, Minto Path, Kemnay: Ref No: APP/2020/0473  
Demolition of Steading and Erection of Dwellinghouse, Westerton Steading, Fetternear: Ref No.: APP/2020/0444  
Alterations & Extension to Dwellinghouse, Boat Croft, Kemnay: Ref No.: APP/2020/0631  
Erection of Fabrication Shed, Safelift, Kemnay: Ref No.: APP/2020/0626  
Alterations & Extension to Existing Office/Workshop, Wesubsea, Kemnay: Ref No.: APP/2020/0679

**6 ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL/COUNCILLOR NEWS** – No AC Councillors present, but they have offered their support to the community during the current COVID-19 crisis.

## **7 CORRESPONDENCE**

a) **Correspondence from the Council** - was circulated via email.

- Fire Safety Home Visit Scheme
- Survey on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sector Film Screenings in Aberdeenshire
- Useful Coronavirus links
- Supply of bedding plants (*Not to be available this year*)
- Trading Standards – Scam Bulletins (*KCC has signed up to the weekly e-mail bulletins offered by TS*)
- Feedback on Query from Alexander Burnett, MSP re Recycling Permits (*which will now be introduced later in the year*)

b) **General Correspondence Received** - was circulated via email.

- Email received from journalist seeking information on roadside incident
- Request for information re VE events
- Agile Energy - Public Exhibition Invite
- Prospect 13 Awards – *LaHK* shortlisted

c) **KCC correspondence Sent** –

- Cycle Path Kemnay-Kintore: to Scott Walker, Aberdeenshire Council
- Poor Condition of back park at Kemnay Primary School: to Cllr Harper
- Kemnay Primary School Alarm: to Tom Buchan, Aberdeenshire Council

*Circulated and agreed via email.*

**F Patrick**  
*Secretary*

19<sup>th</sup> April 2020