

MINUTES OF MEETING

Thursday, 30th November 2017, 7.30 pm, Kemnay Village Hall

Present: Bill Blackwood (Chair); Kate Rigby (Acting Secretary); Janet Newberry (Treasurer, p/t); David Evans; Sue Wainman; John Whittall; Fran Patrick; Bob Ingram; Gavin Adam; Margaret Basley; Sasha Brydon

Apologies: Cllr S Leslie; Cllr H Smith; Police Representative; Irene Ferguson (Secretary); Gaenor Berkin (Vice-chair)

Attending: Gordon McKinstry, Milton Meadows (MM-RCG); Sarah Graham & Isla Jappy (Halliday Fraser Munro (HFM)); Julie Leece, Robertson Partnership Homes

Members of the Public: 1

1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES - The Chair welcomed those attending, and apologies were given as above.

2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST/AUDIO RECORDINGS - There were no declarations of interest/audio recordings.

3 MINUTES OF MEETING 28th September 2017

Minutes of Meeting as previously circulated were proposed as accurate by Sue Wainman and seconded by Bob Ingram.

4 POLICE MATTERS

Police Report for November was received, circulated and read out.

5 KEMNAY ACADEMY PUPIL REPORT

Sasha continues as Acting KA Rep until a new volunteer is found. KA Sustainability Group has now formed an Eco Committee with Greener Kemnay. Sasha also advised that the school would be holding a Christmas Fair and it would be good to see members of the Community Council in attendance. With regard to a junior member from the school, it was noted that there was currently nobody in 4/5 year willing to commit. It was also noted that an event will be held at the skate park in the summer of Platform, and the Community Council will be formally invited.

6 GUEST SPEAKERS

Gordon McKinstry, MM-RCG gave a presentation on the Kemnay River Monitoring System. An award was presented to Gordon by Bill Blackwood on behalf of Cllr Smith from the Provost of Aberdeen for Services to the Community. Irene Ferguson was previously presented with this award at a ceremony on 10th November for work on Kemnay Community Resilience Plans.

Sarah Graham and Isla Jappy (HFM) and Julie Leece from Robertson Partnership Homes gave a brief update on the POAN for 50 Affordable Houses adjacent to Acquithie Road. During the presentation it was pointed out that the development now forms less than 50 units (now 49 units) so no longer constitutes a "Major" application with a legal requirement to hold a public consultation event prior to a planning application. HFM have a legal obligation to submit an application before Christmas.

7 KEMNAY RESILIENCE

a) Updates were previously submitted by Irene on behalf of the Flood & Resilience groups; Irene and Ken Ledingham met with the MSP who continues to pursue the matter of flood funding in Scotland through a cross-party initiative. Crisis funds – MSP will not pursue as there is no evidence for this. Cllr Smith has been advised on current issues with positioning of Water-Gate and is investigating with AC Infrastructure Services.

b) KCC CRP; Review of all contact details has taken place, with no changes reported (Irene). SFF have requested a redacted KCC plan for passing to a new Inverurie resilience group being formed, the motion was unanimously approved by a show of hands (action **Irene**).

8 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK

John McNicoll, KPGF; the old walled garden area at Kembhill Park is now considered appropriate for the temporary flood barrier.

9 MATTERS ARISING

a) Scheme of Establishment (SoE); The Constitution - revision work in progress David / Irene, with 1st draft issued for review. Bill requested that members look at document over the Christmas period and get back to David with any comments. It was generally agreed that the Community Council would recommend that members who were under 18 should be given the right to vote. It was agreed that the new AGM would be held in June and elections in May.

b) Kemnay Youth Groups; awaiting update from Cllr Smith

c) KCC/AC Communications – No updates from AC Cllrs – closed

d) Place of Origin (PoO); Cllr Smith has discussed with the Garioch Area Manager/AC Legal Dept. Landscape Services visiting site with Greenbelt with a view to work commencing imminently.

10 TREASURER REPORT & DONATIONS RECEIVED

A report was previously circulated. It was agreed that a donation of £50 be given to the Mens Shed, Inverurie, from the Christmas Lights

Fund for PAT Testing of the Christmas lights.

11 PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

3 Planning Applications Submitted from 27/10/2017 – 27/11/2017

APP/2017/2672 Replacement Window (Listed Building) at Birchfield, 28 High Street, Kemnay. Expiry date for public comment Thu 23 Nov 2017. **APP/2017/2716** Erect House & Garage (Full Permission) at site adjoining Lindward Pines, Braco, Pitcaple, Inverurie. Expiry date for public comment Thu 30 Nov 2017. **APP/2017/2780** Erection of Fence (Retrospective) at West Lodge, Kemnay House, Kemnay. Expiry date for public comment Thu 21 Dec 2017

- A KCC response to the Planning & Policy LDP Place Standards consultation/workshop report was issued

12 REPORTS - Reports previously circulated for items a) to f)

a) PADS Report; Report previously circulated. Four PADS Defibrillator units currently operational at the Village Hall, Fyfe Park Health Clinic, Alehousewells Primary School Entrance and the junction of the Dalmadilly/Aquhythie Road. Fifth unit still under negotiation. For training, any Kemnay group may contact Bob Ingram on 01467 641255 or Gaenor Berkin. 01467 641630. Sincere thanks to business and Kemnay folks who continue to donate generously.

b) Safety Group (GNMS); GoodPoint Smoke Alarm Tester Sticks; a further batch being distributed within the Garioch area. One Parking Banner still to be allocated for use between the two Kemnay Primary schools. From 2018 the group will be subject to Zero Budgeting and required to submit a list of projects / estimated cost for the year ahead, with the funds given for the year based on these estimations. Speed Monitoring Device at Westhill, where the speed limit is 30mph, over 14 days 21,352 vehicles travelled west. The average speed was 29.1 mph. The group was asked for opinions on the Speed Awareness Course offered to drivers caught speeding as an alternative to points on their license plus a fine. Currently this scheme runs in parts of England. The group members were in favour of this being introduced in Scotland and the Chair offered to write to the Chief Constable of Police Scotland. Police have been working with social workers in a joint operation with the Criminal Justice Social Work department at Aberdeenshire Council. This involves social workers coming out onto the street with Police Officers and has been beneficial to both teams. The annual campaign for safer driving over the festive season began at the beginning of November.

c) GACCF; Next meeting is on 6th December on SoE. Attendance indicated so far is Margaret and Bill may attend p/t.

d) Community Planning (GACP); The GACP Newsletter was previously circulated, Next meeting 28 January, 2018.

e) Greener Kemnay: Birley Bush - 13 ton bags of waste emptied, sorted, planted, 14kg of label and plastic to landfill. Sue reported that 20 loads of soil has now been delivered.

f) Kemnay LLCP; Report previously circulated. The showcasing of services offered to parents and children at Kemnay Primary went well. It is intended to include the KLLP in the Health & Wellbeing event, co-ordinated by pupils and staff, at KA in March. Next meeting 18th January.

g) Press Reports; Sue previously forwarded P&J report of Ice Warnings to the two Resilience Group Reps.

h) Christmas Lights: Gavin reported that work was scheduled for the following weekend to install lights and 2 Christmas Trees which have already been felled. Gavin looking for volunteers for Sunday morning to help. The start of the work will begin at the War Memorial at 10 a.m.

13 ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL/COUNCILLOR NEWS No Councillors present.

14 CORRESPONDENCE

a) Correspondence from the Council; was circulated prior to the meeting.

- A96 Dualling; request from Transport Scotland for attendance of two CC representatives to town hall meeting on 7th December (John, and tentatively Bob / Sue will attend). AC have requested 3 representatives from CCs overall for Aberdeenshire areas to form a Short Life Working Group for new ways of Police representation on CCs - Bob may be able to attend.

b) General Correspondence Received; was circulated prior to the meeting.

15 OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS TO SPEAK Sue; Attended the Kemnay Academy Parent Council – minutes as previously circulated by the Secretary. Next meeting 28th November. Bill; KCC is in recess during December.

Next Meeting: Thursday, 25th January 2018, 7.30 pm, The Friendship Room, Kemnay Village Hall. All members of the public welcome – Agenda will be available on the KCC website <http://www.kemnay.info/>