

MINUTES OF MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 22ND  
FEBRUARY 1990

Present: Mrs Shrago, Mr Wainman, Mr Marco, Mr Stock, Miss Souter, Mr Pashley, Mr Evans, Mr Moir, Mr Cumming, Mr Bailey

Attending: Cllr Wainman, Cllr McLean, Mrs G McIntyre (Inverurie Advertiser), Mrs S Shortland (Inverurie Herald)

Apologies: Mrs Milton, Mr L Brown, Mr Downie, Mrs T Brown

1. The Chairman welcomed those present and the apologies were read.
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Proposed adoption: Mr Moir, seconded: Mr Stock. Passed no dissent.

3. Matters arising:-

(a) Seats on Paradise Green. Mr Pashley had enquired as to the siting of same. He asked Cllr Wainman if further seating could be sited along the road frontage.

(b) Vandal-proof public toilets. Miss Souter showed an information pack on same. Cllr Wainman said that these had been considered several times by the Council but for the time being they have decided against them. Mr Stock commented that the £10,000 a year it would take to run these special toilets might be better used to pay someone to man the toilets!

(c) Discos in the Public Hall in the summer holidays. Mr Wainman said that discos had been run in the past and there had been problems with brawls, etc. The Chairman suggested that Miss Souter find some people who would be interested in running the discos. Everyone to ask around and see who can be found to help out. AGENDA ITEM - May meeting.

(d) Parking restrictions in Station Road. Mr Marco reported on his survey of traders in Station Road. All agreed there was the need for some restrictions but there was no consensus of opinion as to what or where. Cllr McLean suggesting bringing the matter up with the Roads Department, the Police and the Transportation Committee and see if they find an answer to the problem.

(e) Grove Road Pavement. Cllr McLean has spoken to the Roads Department about this. Nothing can be done without a detailed study, also land acquisition and movement of the wall. At the moment the Region is trying to get all the work that can be done, completed by the end of March and this pavement must take second place to this other work. Cllr McLean was thanked for the "Eldery People" signs which are now erected.

(f) Community Council help for the Fair. Mr Stock suggested that it might be an ideal venue for the public to meet the members of the Community Council and perhaps we should take a stall there. The Chairman asked for volunteers to help Mr Stock and Miss Souter and Mr Pashley volunteered. The Chairman suggested that the June meeting be held at the Fair. AGENDA ITEM - April meeting.

4. Unfinished business. Miss Souter had mentioned at the last meeting that there was a lot of litter outside the Academy. Since then there has been a marked improvement.

5. Correspondence received.

6. New Business. Mr Pashley asked Mr Wainman about the present position with regard to the Village Hall and whether the sale to Gordon District had gone through. The District will be responsible for maintaining the fabric of the hall and the local management committee will be responsible for furniture, furnishings and decorations. The Committee have agreed to pay Gordon District £258 to clear the land at the back and sow it to grass. The Committee has now repaid the £2,000 loan to the College Council from the hall's own funds.

7. District News. Cllr Wainman mentioned the survey by Environmental Health of the total housing stock in Gordon District and they are now able to inform Central Government of the position and ask for money to improve it. It is estimated that about £90,000,000 is needed to bring the total stock up to standard. They are doing a survey of their own Council houses so that they can substantiate their request for borrowing power to bring these up to good condition. The Dog Warden visited Gordon House last week and Kemnay figured prominently in his conversation, although things have improved a lot.

8. Regional News. The Chairman asked Cllr McLean whether it would be possible to get some reassurance that the local water supply was not contaminated with lead or other chemicals. Cllr McLean said that the Council accepted that the lighting in Paradise Road is sub-standard. It is possible to fit more modern fittings on the existing standards which will increase the light intensity. Mr Marco asked if something could be done about the unlit passageways from the Village Green to Paradise Road. The Chairman mentioned that he had seen two people driving the wrong way at the bottom of Fraser Place. It was suggested that if "No Entry" was painted in large letters on the road this might help.

9. Planning Applications. Two in all - both for garages.

10. A.O.C.B. Mr Evans mentioned the discussion at the previous meeting regarding Miss Souter's co-option. He had been asked to draft an amendment to the Standing Orders. He had contacted the legal department at Gordon District for some guidance. He was told that it was not illegal to co-opt someone under 18 years of age. The Legal Department suggested we should discuss the matter and decide if we wanted anyone under the age of 18 on the Council. We could then write to Gordon District and request this. Mr Bailey suggested that whilst the person is on the School Council they should be able to maintain their seat on the Community Council as a co-opted member. The Chairman and Mr Evans to draft something for the AGM to change the Constitution so that we can co-opt a designated member of the School Council for either the term of the Community Council or the School Council whichever is the shorter. Mr Wainman suggested that any amendments be shown to the Legal Department at Gordon District before the AGM to see if they are in order.

Mr Moir reported on a Crime Prevention meeting on the 12th February.



3 No. Planning Applications Submitted from 16/02/90 - 22/03/90 (29/02/90 mtg)

- 01/0205 HOUSE (O/L 35K), adjacent to West Blairdaff, Kennay. Mr W Ewan, c/o Agent: Kirkwood Homes Ltd.
- 01/0266 FORM VEHICULAR ACCESS (DP £185): Mr Esson, 5 Minto Circle, Kennay.
- 01/0344 SINGLE STOREY 3 BEDROOM HOUSE ON 0.75 ACRES (DP 40K), at Hillcroft, Kennay. Mr Birse, c/o Four Seasons Hotel, Longside, Peterhead. Kennay Grey drydash, Marley grey roof tiles. Location is just west of Harthills on the Cottown/Leschangie Croft Road (OS ref: 758150).

1/ Bridge Road Site

owned by Norman Lawrence who proposes to build a private bowling green + double garage - plans now to be submitted by Wm Lippe. Planning officers visited site + took video photos on 16th + 20th March. Work now ceased pending submission of planning application.

2/ 01/89/775 Craiglee site

Drive meets road @ rt. angles - no bellmouth. Condition of planning consent that 2.5 x 8mtr layby be constructed at access for visiting cars PRIOR to occupation. Area supposed to be shown outlined in orange on approved plans - but no such area shown. Planning officials will act upon receipt of letter from K.C.C. bringing matter to their attention. GRC Roads Dept may have responsibility for a bellmouth access over their verge. Speak to Owners? (New village members somewhat aggrieved @ CC on back)

3/ K.C.C. @ Kennay Fair - NO!

(a) Practical Reasons

Vehicular Weather / Noise - distractions / ~~visual~~ visual + audible.

(b) Inappropriate

~~Event of entertainment~~ by tradition - event occasion of entertainment / carnival atmosphere  
K.C.C. mtg. is a more formal event / sober occasion

4/ Amendment to Constitution

(a) Propose link with school

- (i) Creation of this new category gives more prestige to position - ensure future involvement / maintain interest
- (ii) £600,000 4.00 Kennay pupils? + vandalism
- (iii) Input from village youth {Litter}
- (iv) Future members - encourage involvement @ early age
- (v)

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Amendment to Constitution ( $\frac{2}{3}$  of those present majority of full Council) QUORUM IS 5

HISTORY

- 1/ Letter Collection July 1989
- 2/ Valuable input from Amanda Souter/regular attendance
- 3/ Vacancies on Council - tried to Co-opt @ November 1989 Mtg. Prop Peter Stock - majority in favour.
- 4/ Jan 1990 Mtg. Chairman advised by Legal Dept & DC such Co-opting illegal re age of Miss Souter
- 5/ Proposal to amend Constitution to clarify required age of co-opted members - hence the now first "proposed amendment". In process of trying to draft this amendment certain problems arose (18+ over + on electoral roll conflicts with 3.04 ie "outwith area" ∴ not on electoral roll) Phone call to A. Grant revealed that Local Govt. Scot. Act allowed for flexibility re co-option age limit (but may be problem re voting rights)
- 6/ After discussions @ last mtg. it was decided to draft an amendment so creating a new category of co-opted members, thereby allowing co-option of School Council members.

REASONS FOR SUPPORT (Written to A. Grant - no reply)

- 1/ Valuable input from village youth - maybe 400 @ Academy from Kennay Area (600 <sup>Roll</sup> 1986) which is a large unrepresented grouping. Two topics of litter & vandalism often on an agenda - often blamed on youth ∴ appropriate to have youth represented.
- 2/ Pupils are future KCC members and involvement @ this stage encourages future interest & participation & removes any mystique surrounding the C.C.
- 3/ WHY CO-OPT / CREATE CATEGORY
  - (b) Gives some importance/prestige to position thereby encouraging future participation by pupils. <sup>credibility</sup> <sup>continuing</sup> <sup>look good on pupil CV</sup>
  - (c) ~~Anything else would mean~~ status equal with any member of the public; past evidence suggests that members of public only tend to turn up <sup>only</sup> occasionally when possibly contentious issues being discussed

{ Also original co-option category had no voting rights.

VOTING { "May" be some legal reason invalidating amendment with voting rights i.e. under 18. Create an anomaly