

# KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2010

Present: Chris Hunneyball (Chairman), Bill Blackwood, Margaret Christie, Janet Newberry, Jim Piggins.

Attending: Kenneth Ross.

Apologies: Cllr Hazel Al-Kowarri, Gavin Adam, David Evans, Annie Ferries, John Hern, Bob Ingram, Ian Murray, Eric Pashley, Mavis Wainman.

1. Welcome: The Chairman welcomed those attending on such a dreadful night, and in particular Kenneth Ross of SEPA. He announced with regret the resignation of Malcolm Edwards. He said that the Community Council had welcomed his contributions and wished him well for the future.
2. Kenneth Ross from SEPA hydrology: Mr Ross gave a very interesting presentation on the forthcoming launch of the North East of Scotland Flood Warning Schemes for the Rivers Dee, Don and Deveron. He outlined the information which Floodline can provide and informed the meeting about Flood Warning Codes. He pointed out that residents at risk of flooding would, by spring 2011, be able to register for direct telephone warnings of potential floods. Currently, they can telephone 0845 9881 188 or check the SEPA website: [www.sepa.org.uk](http://www.sepa.org.uk). The Chairman suggested that further details should be published in Kemnay Community Newsletter.
3. Police matters: There was no police presence at the meeting, but a written report had been submitted. February had been relatively crime free in Kemnay, apart from reports of bullying of primary pupils on the way home from school. A number of Aberdeen criminals responsible for motor-bike thefts in Kemnay and elsewhere had recently been apprehended, tried and imprisoned. Once the proposed parking and speed restrictions were in force, traffic wardens would be asked to include Kemnay in their rounds. In conjunction with the Youth Café and the Road Safety Unit in Aberdeen, local police were organising a night of road traffic education for young drivers and their passengers in early March. In addition, it was reported that Ian Murray of the Community Council had observed people dropping litter from a car in Kemnay. He had given the car number to the police: they had tracked down and warned the perpetrators who had been suitably contrite.
4. The Minutes of the Previous Meeting: Cllr Grant had pointed out prior to the current meeting that item 15 should read “the Aberdeenshire area plan”, not “the Garioch area plan”. With that amendment, the adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 28 January 2010 was proposed by Janet Newberry, seconded by Jim Piggins and unanimously approved.
5. Question Time: There were no members of the public present.
6. Matters Arising from Minutes:
  - a) Fetternear Consultation: David Fyffe had confirmed that there would be a public meeting on 29 March, followed by one-to-one sessions on 3 and 17 April and 1 May; all of these meetings were to be held in Kemnay Village Hall.
  - b) Academy litter campaign: It was suggested that the campaigners might apply for a grant to personalise litter bins.
7. Planning matters and applications:
  - a) New Applications: There was nothing controversial.
  - b) Planning Modernisation Group: There were no volunteers to join.

8. Community Planning: Both the issues of composting at Birley Bush and transport have been incorporated in the Garioch Area Plan.
9. GACCF: The next meeting would be on 4 March when Jim Piggins had agreed to give a report from Kemnay. Reports from other Community Councils had not been presented as promised.
10. Christmas Lights Sub Committee: This item would be removed from the agenda until nearer Christmas.
11. Report from Safety Group Representative: There had been no meeting.
12. Report from Community Learning and Development Representative: There had been no meeting because of a bereavement.
13. New Business:
  - a) Traffic management: It was agreed to ask for the planned double yellow lines in Fraser Place opposite the church to be extended slightly, and for double yellow lines to be placed opposite the entrance to Kendal Green.
  - b) Nominations for Aberdeenshire Sport Council's Awards for 2010: There were no nominations.
  - c) Garioch Area Bus Forum: This was to take place on 15 March 2010 at 7.30 pm in Kemnay Village Hall.
  - d) Aberdeenshire Council Consultation Results: These will be made available on the Aberdeenshire Council website.
  - e) ASCC Accounts: These could be purchased from Companies House a year in arrears. Community Councils had no automatic right to be supplied with them.
14. Unfinished Business:
  - a) Birley Bush: Aberdeenshire Council appeared to be considering this site for allotments and composting – see item 8 above.
  - b) Beechhill: The owner had enquired why she had not been informed that this was being discussed. She would be reminded that she was welcome to attend meetings.
15. Aberdeenshire news: There being no councillor present, there was no news.
16. Correspondence:
  - a) Community Safety Seminar: This was to take place in the Church Centre on 20 March 2010. Members were reminded that they were welcome to attend.
  - b) Open Space Strategy: The paper had currently been withdrawn from the Aberdeenshire Council website. It was hoped that it would be reinstated in the near future.
17. AOCB: Aberdeenshire Council had been asked to approve the change in the date of the final accounts.
18. Date of next meeting: The next meeting would be held on Thursday 25 March at 7.30 pm in Kemnay Village Hall.