

KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING ON THURSDAY 26th JUNE 1997

Present: Mrs M Wainman, Mr FW Wainman, Mrs J Campbell, Mrs G Hinton, Mr A Davies, Dr J Piggins, Mr D Evans, Mrs J Newberry, Mrs L Moss

Also attending: Mr E Milton, Mr G Mitchell, Mr G Irvine, Mrs L Forsyth, Mrs K Buchan, Mr Fred Gordon (Ranger)

Apologies: Mrs S Milton, Mrs S Shrago, Mr L Shrago, Cllr Leitch

1 Mr Wainman welcomed everyone, especially Mr Fred Gordon, Aberdeenshire Council Ranger.

2 Minutes of previous meeting adopted - proposed by Mr D Evans, seconded Dr J Piggins

3 Matters arising from minutes - none

4 Unfinished Business - none

5 Correspondence received

Letter from Aberdeenshire Council re strengthening & widening of Glenhead Bridge on B993 - this will cause some disruption to traffic with temporary traffic lights and possible road closure.

Letter from NOSWA answering questions asked at April Community Council meeting.

Letter from Aberdeenshire Council re proposed possible parking charges in Inverurie - after some discussion it was decided to reply listing objections - poor bus service, lack of shoe repair, hardware shop etc in Kemnay necessitate driving to Inverurie.

Anonymous letter regarding speeding past War Memorial towards Monymusk - we will send copy to Cllr Leitch and PC Thom.

Concern was raised about cyclists riding wrong way on one-way streets and bad parking on Clydesdale Bank corner.

6 New Business - Formation of Wetland Conservation Group

Mr Wainman introduced Mr Fred Gordon who reported that over the years the problem of the wet area on Bremner Way had been discussed. As drainage is financially prohibitive (£20,000 had been quoted) he thought that with proper management this area could be transformed into an environmental asset. Although no cash was available for drainage, Aberdeenshire Council could help with applications for funding from Scottish Natural Heritage, etc. Concern was again voiced about safety, but it was felt that the River Don itself posed more of a danger. Mr Gordon suggested that a group could visit Arnhall Moss in Westhill which is now a local nature reserve used by schools. Mr D Evans proposed that area should be managed as wetland, seconded by Dr J Piggins. Group to meet at area on Wednesday 2nd July at 7.30pm to discuss and identify needs and possibilities. Another public meeting on Wednesday 23rd July at 7.30pm in Friendship House would be publicised in Newsletter.

Bus Timetables at Bus stops - write to Roads Department requesting these.

Bulbs from boxes in High Street and outside Village Hall - volunteers needed to plant out around village. More bulbs to be purchased for Spring 1998.

Council Election in May 1999 - Boundary Commission proposes 21 more Councillors with the present ward being divided into two - Kemnay and Kemnay Rural - at extra cost. Mr D Evans will write objecting to any change.

7 Aberdeenshire News - none

8 Planning Applications - There were four - a conservatory, conversion of farm buildings to two houses, conversion of farm buildings to offices at Netherton Business Park, two houses & garages at Dalmadilly.

9 AOCB - none

Meeting finished at 9.18pm - next meeting on Thursday 25th September 1997.

PROPOSED ADOPTION

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