

# KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27 MAY 2010

Present: Chris Hunneyball (Chairman), Margaret Christie, David Evans, Annie Ferries, John Hern, Bob Ingram, Ian Murray, Janet Newberry, Eric Pashley, Jim Piggins, Mavis Wainman.

Attending: Cllr Hazel Al-Kowarri, PC Laird, PC Pirie, PC Raffan, David Fyffe.

1. Apologies: Gavin Adam, Bill Blackwood, Cllr Allison Grant.
2. Welcome: The Chairman welcomed those present.
3. Police matters: There had been a number of thefts from unsecured properties and vehicles in the Sauchen and Monymusk areas. The public was urged to make sure that properties and vehicles were locked, and that tools were not left lying about. Abandoned vehicles in Kemnay were being investigated and removed. There were now three police officers - David Calvert, Sandra Duncan and Craig Curry - working out of the Kemnay police station. Since the repainting of the double yellow lines, traffic wardens were now including Kemnay in their beat. Operation Zenith, which was concerned with motorcycle safety, would be running from May to October. Anyone observing motorcyclists violating the Highway Code was encouraged to report them to the police. The number for all non-emergency calls was 0845 6005 700.
4. Opportunity for Members of the public to speak: David Fyffe presented the results of the public consultation on The Fetternear Estate Plan to the Community Council. He intended to publish further details in the newsletter. The statistics showed broad support for the Plan.
5. The Minutes of the Previous Meeting: The adoption of the minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2010 was proposed by Bob Ingram, seconded by Ian Murray and unanimously approved.
6. Matters Arising from Minutes:
  - a) Beechhill Croft: A site visit had been held with Cllr Allison Grant and Linda Mathieson of Aberdeenshire Council. The new route around Whitestones Quarry had been approved. There was still a problem with the route past Beechhill Croft itself, but this was now in the hands of Aberdeenshire Council. Ms Mathieson was to consult the Council's legal services on the matter.
  - b) Kemnay Parking: This was dealt with under item 3.
  - c) Complaint: An email from a member of the public on the subject of "Minutes of KCC meeting in March" was circulated to members for information. After a brief discussion during which it was established that the question of the car park had been raised by another member of the public, and been answered by Cllr Al-Kowarri, there was unanimous agreement to acknowledge receipt of the email but take no further action.
7. Planning matters and applications:
  - a) Current Applications: There was nothing controversial.
  - b) Development Plan Schemes: Development Plan Schemes had been received from Aberdeen City and Shire and also from Aberdeenshire. These outlined timetables for future consultations, which would be considered as they were released.
  - c) Conservation Areas: An e-mail from Johnshaven had enquired if other Community Councils were having difficulties with planning decisions for Conservation Areas. As no part of Kemnay is in that category, no assistance could be given.

8. Reports:

a) Safety Group Representative: Briefings on Mephadrone, Pass Plus, The Complete Driver Check and Barbecue Accidents had already been circulated. The Representative indicated that Head Teachers were in discussions with the chairman of the safety forum about promoting Pass Plus to school pupils. There would be 50% funding for four applicants from the Garioch to undertake a "Skills for Life" driving course. The safety forum had lamented the apparent passing of the weekly Police Bulletin. Concern had been expressed about the safety of hair straighteners.

b) Community Learning and Development Representative: The meeting had been postponed until 2 June.

c) Garioch Area Community Council Forum: Nominations were requested for a chairman and vice-chairman.

d) Community Planning: Nominations were requested for a Community Council representative on the Community Planning Partnership Board as the current representative had resigned.

9. Aberdeenshire news: Inch Community Council now had two representatives on the Garioch Area Community Council Forum. There was an initiative to save money on items such as glossy brochures and other apparently low-budget expenditure.

10. Correspondence: The following items had been received:

a) Northern Community Justice Authority Newsletter

b) Invitation to ALOAF annual gathering at Ellon

c) Invitation to Shire Connections Networking Event

d) Leaflets on Community Service Orders

e) Housing Strategy Bulletin

f) Newsletter from Richard Baker

g) Information on SURF (Scotland's Independent Regeneration Network)

h) Invitation to a meeting about Rural Partnerships

i) Information on European Funding for Community Groups (LEADER) (Revitalising Communities)

j) NHS Grampian Health Plan 2010 – 2013.

11. AOCB: Concern was expressed about the difficulty of negotiating the lane running between Station Road and St Bryde's Road. Cllr Al-Kowarri agreed to investigate.

12. Date of Next Meeting: 24 June 2010.