

NATIONAL AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENT OFFICERS

MINUTES OF MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 27TH
JUNE 1991

Present: Mrs Milton, Mrs Shrago, Mr Wainman, Mr Pashley, Mr Brown, Mr Moir, Mrs Malcolm, Mr Evans, Mr Marco

Apologies: Mr Power, Mr Yates, Cllr Wainman, Cllr Hunter

Attending: Lara Moir (Inverurie Advertiser), Rebecca Roberts (Inverurie Herald) P C Reynolds (Grampian Police)

1. Mrs Milton welcomed everyone. The apologies were read.
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Proposed adoption: Mr Moir, seconded: Mr Wainman. Passed no dissent.

3. Matters arising:-

1 (a) Mr Wainman said that there is a new Chief Inspector at Inverurie - Ian Duncan. It was agreed to extend an invitation to him for the September meeting. AGENDA ITEM - September meeting.

(b) Pooper-Scoopers. Mr Evans said the Vets (Silver & Lawson) have agreed to have the pooper-scoopers. It was agreed that when applying for a grant from the Community Service Awards a sum of £50 would be mentioned.

(c) Land at Bennachie View. This was deferred until Cllrs Hunter and Wainman were present. AGENDA ITEM next meeting.

4. Unfinished Business. Parking in Aquithie Road. Mr Wainman said that on the last auction day the parking was just as bad as previously. P C Reynolds said that the last three auctions had had a "police presence".

5. The correspondence was read.

9 6. New Business. (a) Mr Marco mentioned that when travelling along Aquithie Road, in an easterly direction from Monymusk to Inverurie, past the Spar on the left and over the hump, there is no pavement and you are liable to come upon pedestrians walking in the road. Can anything be done to discourage this? PC Reynolds to investigate. It was decided to write to Mr Tom Mitchell (GRC), asking for three signs saying "Kemnay Welcomes Careful Drivers" and one sign to discourage pedestrians from walking in Aquithie Road.

(b) Mr Wainman said that after the Local Health Councils were abolished in March the Grampian Health Council was formed. Its Chairman is Mr John Ramage and he wondered whether we should invite him to come and talk at one of our meetings. AGENDA ITEM - November meeting.

(c) Bye-Election for the five vacant Community Council seats. Forms to Mr Wainman by end of August for inclusion in September Newsletter. Bye-Election to be in October.

7. District News. Mr Wainman said that some of the District Councillors will be sleeping outside in support of the homeless. All donations to be given to Shelter.

8. Regional News. None.

9. Planning Applications. Mr Evans said there were 4 in all. Nothing contentious. Mr Wainman mentioned that one of the houses in Alehousewells got a Commendation for its extension in the Ges Scott Awards.

10. A.O.C.B. It was decided to write to Mr Tom Mitchell, Divisional Roads Superintendent GRC, asking whether any of the Road Hump legislation would apply to the Village and where we could site them. Mr Evans said we should advertise when we are going to discuss the possibility of humps so that the public can have their say.

11. Next meeting - this will be on Thursday 26th September 1991. Mr Wainman proposed that as usual, the Office Bearers deal with any urgent matters that arise during the summer recess. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending. There being no further business to discuss the meeting ended at 8.25 p.m.

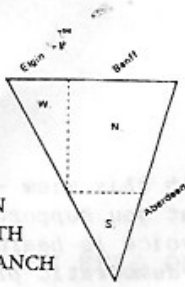
Proposed:

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12th August, 1991

To: All Community Councils in Grampian Region and Orkney and Shetland Isles

Dear Sir/Madam,

FORESTERHILL HOSPITALS UNIT - APPLICATION FOR TRUST STATUS

You will no doubt be aware that Senior Management of the Foresterhill Hospitals Unit have applied to become a hospital Trust. This application was, in the view of my Branch, timed to ensure the minimum of comment - the consultation period beginning at the start of the Aberdeen Trades fortnight holiday period. I am aware that many Community Councils go into recess during the summer period and may not meet until late August or September. This will, of course, diminish your opportunity to give detailed consideration to the proposal which, at one time or another, is likely to affect nearly all of the residents of your community and may also affect the many Health Service workers who live throughout Grampian and indeed, Orkney and Shetland, whether they be directly employed within Foresterhill Hospitals Unit or in other areas of the Service.

I am writing therefore, to request that you obtain copies of the full Trust Application for members of your Council as soon as possible in order that they may be in a position to respond to the Trust Application before the expiry date of 9th October, 1991.

It is no secret that this Branch, Health Service Unions in general and many other organisations representing staff, including doctors and nurses, are strongly opposed to the concept of Trusts and, in particular, to Foresterhill Hospitals site application. We do not believe that it will serve the best interests of the patients as it augments the market philosophy of other so-called Health Service reforms.

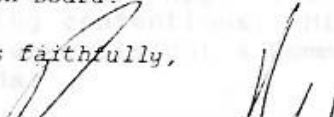

I attach, for your information, a petition issued by the People's Hospital Campaign, which acts as an umbrella for the many organisations opposed to the Trust, and would be pleased if you could arrange for the collection of signatures. The petition form can, of course, be photocopied if required. I have also attached a diary of events associated with the Trust Application.

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Your Community Council may not agree in whole or in part with this view - that is for your Council to decide. Our Branch sincerely hopes that you support our position but we also think that it is imperative that your voice is heard as we feel the actions of the Trust applicants have not aided the democratic process.

Please obtain a full Trust document for your members (available from Administration Department, Grampian Health Board, 1 Albyn Place, Aberdeen, telephone 589901) and respond before 9th October, 1991 to Mr. Hartnett, General Manager, Grampian Health Board.

Yours faithfully,

RAMSAY G. MILNE
Chairman