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KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 30th APRIL 1981 at 7.30pm in KEMNAY SCHOOL

PRESENT D. Bailey, P. Cobb, H. Cumming, Mrs M. Forbes, Mrs P. Innes, L. McKay  
Mrs S. Milton, N. Robertson, W. Wainman, Mrs M. Wainman, S. Stubbs.

ATTENDING Councillor Reid, Councillor McLean PRESS Mrs Robertson.  
Public Mr Christie, Mrs Herring, Dr Salisbury

Mrs Milton from the Chair welcomed the council and gave apologies from Dr Hern and Mr Hughes.

The Minute of the meeting held in Kemnay School on Thursday March 26th was amended to include under 'information centre' that it would be funded on a trial period of 6 months. Mr Robertson asked that under the item concerned with play equipment that 'he was included amongst the 6 or 7 objectors to the equipment pending clarification'. He also queried whether Councillor Reid had said that the Gordon District owned land at The Glebe on which the equipment could be erected and Councillor Reid confirmed that he had said this. The Minute was accepted on the call of Mr Bailey seconded by Mr Cumming.

MATTERS ARISING

Kemnay Academy

Councillor McLean said that a chain link fence 6' high would be erected between the Academy playing field and the river. Mr Bailey suggested thanking the authorities for their consideration of our submission but it was agreed to wait until the fence was erected. Separate games hall access being considered.

Resignation

It was noted that Mr Dow had resigned and the constitutional position was discussed. Mr Bailey proposed and Mr Cobb seconded that an election be held to fill the vacancy but Mr McKay and Mr Stubbs were not in favour as all members were due to stand down next March. A vote of 6 in favour and 3 against was set aside as it needed 2/3 of whole council ie 10 in favour to hold bye election. Note in Newsletter. Mr Dow's letter of resignation was read and Mr Robertson proposed and all agreed that a letter of thanks be sent thanking him for his services.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Park Pavilion

Letter from Mr Kennedy - disabled access and completion date.

International Year of Disabled

Mrs Forbes reported on the access study and thanked those who helped. The public toilets were very bad and inaccessible. The Police station, Bank and Post Office very difficult, but there was goodwill and the Bank Manager offered to visit homes if required. The Public Hall, hotel and most of the shops were inaccessible for independent access. Andersons could be ramped as there was space outside. In general kerbs were disastrous. Councillor McLean said that action could be taken on high priority kerbs and asked for a list. Mr Bailey suggested that if new shops were to be built care should be taken to provide access. Mr Wainman explained that the Public Hall committee intended to provide a wooden ramp to the side door but councillors agreed that it would be preferable to have a ramp at the front door to avoid segregation. The secretary was instructed to write to the Hall secretary on this point. The secretary was also instructed to write to the Health council asking for more chiropody treatment for the elderly.

Exhibition of Aids at Hall. Mrs Forbes reported that she had been disappointed with attendance of K.C.C. members, but otherwise it had been most successful with useful questions and interesting films

Questionnaire . About 40 replies had been received and the greatest need seemed to be for more chiropody for the elderly. Secretary to write to Bank, Police, Mossat and Hall.

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- Information Mrs Wainman reported that Friendship House had been booked ( verbally, no permission form returned) each Monday from 10.0 am till 12 noon, for a six month trial period. Mrs Forbes and Mr Stubbs volunteered to help man it.
- Finance Mr McKay said that the council's finances were fairly low, after paying £ 114 for the notice Board the balance was £ 31.23. It was pointed out that the Regional and District grants were now due for the current year and the secretary was instructed to write asking for additional grant towards running the infomation centre. Cost would be £ 1 per week rent plus electricity & sundries.
- Glebe Roads Councillor McLean had no additional information but Mrs Wainman reported the correspondence with Barrat's solicitors . Mr Robertson said that he had ascertained from a solicitor that the pavement at the back of the terrace houses 2 - 12 and the garage road and car park area were mutual to the terraced houses ie they belonged to the tennants who were responsible for the upkeep.
- Play equipment Mr Stubbs queried progress on play equipment at the Glebe. Mrs Herring from the public gallery said that she had obtained signatures from abutting residents in favour of the installation . When the equipment was not installed she contacted Councillor Reid who said that the K.C.C. vote had not been unanimous It was pointed out that no vote had been taken. Mr Stubbs said that a subsequent petition showed that 25 out of a total of 31 households favoured the installation and he requested that a letter be sent as a matter of urgency asking for early installation. Mr Robertson said that he was not against young children but that the entrance to the propped area was entirely unsuitable and he could not agree to car park and road being used for access. Mr Cumming thought that the council would be on dangerous ground if a letter was sent on a disputed topic. 7. were in favour of sending a letter and none against. Secretary to send petition to Gordon District.
- Teachers Houses Gordon District re iterated their refusal to give special consideration to housing teachers appointed to Kemnay Academy and Mr Wainman expressed disappointment.
- River Walk No reply as yet.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- There was some discussion on an application ( erroneous) to extend licencing hours at the Gushet Neuk. Mr Christie ( Spar Shop) was very concerned about parking in Station Road. Councillor McLean agreed to survey the position. (Extension was to store.)
- Planning Applications Dr Hern reported on local ones and no objections were raised.
- Land surrounding Public Library Mr Robertson said that the borders of the path were neglected & an eyesore. The secretary was instructed to write on this.
- One off building sites in Aquithie Road Letter read from Mr Kennedy pointing out that additional staff had been employed to catch up with work
- Industrial Site It was agreed to ascertain if the site would be limited to land on Aquithie side of Corsefield Croft.
- Ditch at Bremner Way Councillor McLean reported that the area would be tidied up and that a pavement on the river side of Bremner Way was probably not justified.
- A.O.C.B. Mr McKay raised the matter of the Press report on the Special Nursery unit at Aberdeen Matarnity Hospital and staff resignations. It was agreed to write to Mr Fairgreive and the Gordon Local Health Council.
- Mr McLean reported that the 'Village Green development would start shortly. and also work on the railway bridge be included in the 1981 / 2 estimates.
- Mr Wainman asked if there were any plans for new allotments as there was a waiting list. with Gordon District.
- Next Meeting 7.30 Kemnay School May 28th