

KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

Minutes of meeting held on 30th August 1977 at Kemnay School, Kemnay.

Present. J.Quinn, L.McKay, M.Truscott, W.Duncan, P.Shanks, H.Hughes,
M.Wainman, S.Milton, J.Hern, C.Marshall, B.Innes, Councillor R.Reid.
M. MORRIS

Apologies. E.Young and Councillor L.J.K.Fyffe.

The Chairman expressed the good wishes of all members of the council to Mr. E.Young on his forthcoming marriage.

The minutes of the meeting of 19th July were accepted as accurate.

Business arising.

The planning sub committee gave a report of their meeting with Gordon District council officials, the report being attached to these minutes. Barratt's Developments, Parkhill, a report was given of the G.D.C. meeting on 23rd August. A unanimous decision was taken to write to the Chief Executive regarding remarks made by the Chairman of the Planning Committee as reported in the press. The community council is not satisfied with the decisions taken and wishes to stress that when amended plans are submitted, there will be sufficient time allowed for objections to be made. It was agreed that an invitation should be sent to Councillor P.O.Duncan, Chairman of the Planning Committee to attend the next meeting of the Community Council. Discussion took place as to whether the Community Council had a case of maladministration against Gordon District Council in their handling of this matter, the matter was deferred for consideration. The sub committee reported that officials were rather hamstrung by the present law, and to this an opportunity would be sought to raise the matter with our M.P. and to enlist the aid of other Community councils, throughout Scotland.

Constitution. The sub committee gave their recommendations on the draft Constitution as prepared by Gordon District Council and members were asked to study these for a future meeting.

Kemnay Pleasure Park. The Secretary reported that the Director of Environment Health stated that under the present financial arrangements, solid type litter bins could not be provided. It was agreed to ask if provision for such bins could be made in the estimates for next year. The use of the Park by children with ponies is causing concern and it was agreed to write to the Chief Executive for his advice.

Playground facilities at Alehouseswells. It was reported that the Contractors would commence work during the following week.

New business.

Change of use of land at Aquithie Road. Various members of the public had expressed their concern if change of use was granted. Already the village has been asked to accept an overnight doubling of population without any increase in the necessary supporting facilities with the exception of the new primary school. Traffic and parking problems abound and it was unanimously agreed that the Community council would object to the change of use for three reasons, no more growth on a large scale at present, the need for more open spaces for the existing population, and how land that was unsuitable for building is now suitable and what effects it will have on adjoining proprietors.

Police. It was felt that it was time for the Council to have Communication with the Chief Constable and to express our thanks for his help in supplying extra men for the Kemnay Fair. We are concerned that one Constable is expected to cope with the problems in the village in spite of the vast growth and also that we are concerned at the speed of traffic in the village.

Housing Department. Disquiet has been expressed by residents at the way inspections are being carried out in Alehouseswells. It was agreed to bring the matter to the attention of the Chief Executive.

Transformer at Kembhill Park, concern was expressed that the transformer that serves this development has been installed in such a way that children have been able to undermine the whole area and crawl under the transformer, the Hydro Board will be asked to investigate the situation.

Continuation.

Discussion took place regarding the fixing of a firm date for meetings of the community council. It was agreed that this should take place on the last Tuesday of the month. If it was possible the meetings could continue to alternate between Kemnay School and the Community Lounge at Alehouseswells.

Next meeting of the Council, Tuesday 27th September at 7.30p.m.
in Kemnay School.