

**MEETING OF KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER 1997**

**Present:** Mr W Wainman, Mrs M Wainman, Mr D Evans, Dr J Piggins, Mr A Davies, Mrs L Moss, Mrs J Campbell, Mrs S Shrago, Mrs S Milton

**Also present:** Mr Malcolm Allan, Cllr A Leitch

Mr W Wainman welcomed everyone and asked Mr Allan to give presentation on second phase of development at Milton Meadows. Mr Allan stated that planning permission is getting more and more difficult with different legislation, especially as regards planning gain. When plans were submitted in November 1996 (for 40 houses) he was prepared to contribute £25,000 to Village Hall appeal but he was asked to split this 55% towards football pitches and 45% to hall. Six affordable houses were also to be included but Scottish Homes did not support building on this site (preferring Kirkstyle) so he was asked to contribute £130,000 cash instead. Hearing nothing more from Planning Dept, his advisors phoned three days before deadline to ask for extension but this was refused. He then felt forced to go to Secretary of State for Scotland demanding a Public Enquiry which resulted in the Planning Dept being unable to comment on the pending case.

Mr Allen resubmitted plans on 2nd September but again application was deferred because of mistakes in report. These were amended and corrected and application finally went forward. When Mr Allan read about Village Hall fundraising appeal in Kemnay Newsletter he then increased his offer to £42,609 in total (£28,859 to hall and £13,750 to football pitches) and asked Mrs M Wainman (Chairman of fundraisers) to advise Cllr Leitch. As Cllr Leitch was at the time on holiday, Mr Allan spoke to his own Councillor, Mr Lawrence regarding planning gain - each site should be judged separately and cash in lieu is not mentioned. Affordable homes were not required in first development at Milton Meadows - demand had come after second application had been lodged.

Mr Wainman asked who had decided split between hall and football pitches (these had been a priority with previous local Councillor) and thought Community Council should have more input. It was felt that the village had adequate pitches and that extra ones would require more changing rooms and parking facilities as well.

Mr Wainman thanked Mr Allan for his presentation and he left after stressing that local people should be made more aware of the risk of losing the £42,609 he was prepared to contribute to village amenities.

There then followed a general discussion - we had heard one side of argument but not the other. However, Council officials had declined invitation to attend meeting because they are unable to comment on case pending Public Enquiry.

We will write to Peter Suttie, Planning Director, Woodhill House with copy to Alan Grant complaining about lack of consultation with Community Council and stressing need for Village Hall extension (as this donation would attract other contributions). Also there was sufficient low cost housing (60%) at the Kirkstyle development to meet local criteria.

Mrs M Wainman suggested sending off list of Planning questions to Mr Suttie and Mr J Young and comparing answers as there are so many grey areas.

We should have list of priorities for village needs: hall, swimming pool, park warden, etc.

Mr A Davies proposed writing to Alan Grant, Aberdeenshire Council re building site opposite petrol station. Scottish Homes have no money to develop this so they should sell it (seconded by Mrs S Shrago) as it is a eyesore.

Meeting finished at 9pm.

**PROPOSED ADOPTION**

**SECONDED**

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