

DRAFT MINUTES of a Meeting of Kinross Community Council  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
At the Masonic Hall, Muirs, Kinross

**Present:** Community Councillors Bill Freeman (Chair), Margaret Blyth, Jonathan Bryson, David Colliar, Dave Cuthbert, Barry Davies, Lynne McKay, Thomas Stewart and Ian Jack.

**Minutes** taken by: Caron Aird

**Ward Councillors** PKC Cllrs D West, W Robertson and M Barnacle. Cllr C Purves arrived later in the meeting.

**Other:**

**Public:** 4 Members of the public

**1. Introductions and Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllrs R Watters

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest from those present.

**3. Minutes of Meeting of 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

There were a few amendments to the December meeting made:

- i. Item 7 (c) to be amended to read ' Kinross-shire Forum'
- ii. Item 7 (g) Windlestrae Hotel discussion - a member of the public had emailed in comments in respect of the Windlestrae Hotel discussion and had been invited to the meeting to clarify their comments but unfortunately they were not present on the night. The minute of the discussion would therefore remain as noted.
- iii. Item 16 (g) to be amended to show that it was CClr M Blyth who raised the issue of the pavement outside of the Bank of Scotland.

Once these changes were made, the minutes were accepted as an accurate record. Proposed by CClr D Cuthbert and seconded by Cllr D West.

**4. Police Report**

At the time of the meeting no police report had been received. It was agreed that if a report was received then it would be circulated to Members for information.

**5. Primary School Crossing Concerns**

CCllr J Bryson raised concerns around the proposed removal of School Crossing Patrol Officers in Station Road and Springfield Road. A petition had been submitted opposing this change and a letter had been submitted by the Parent Council to Cllr C Shiers expressing concerns about this. Cllr Shiers had replied to advise that the Lifelong Learning Committee had recently agreed to remove Patrol Officers, in areas where there are other options for crossing roads, in order to

save around £463,000, a decision was originally taken in February 2017. A copy of Cllr Shiers response is attached to the end of the minute for information.

Cllr Bryson went on to advise that one parent had expressed their shock and disgust at the decision. Members agreed that the roads concerned were not safe to cross for pupils, without Patrol Officers as the areas are particularly heavy with traffic.

After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Bryson would write a letter to PKC expressing the views/concerns of the residents (letter to be copied to other Community Councils for information).

**ACTION: Cllr J Bryson**

Cllr C Purves arrived late to the meeting and advised that a working group had been set up consisting of representatives from Police Scotland, the School, Parent Council along with others to discuss this issue. Cllr Bryson confirmed that Cllr Shiers had made no mention of this in her response.

A member of the public asked whether a risk assessment had been carried out prior to the decisions being made and Cllr Purves advised that a risk assessment had not been undertaken but ultimately there was no statutory requirement for PKC to provide School Crossing Patrols

#### **6. Resignation of Secretary/Replacement**

There had still been no volunteers for the role of Secretary and it was agreed that the item would remain on the agenda for the next meeting. There had also been no response to the adverts which had been published.

**ACTION: Minute Secretary**

#### **7. Matters Arising from Minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

There were no matters arising from the December meeting which were not covered by the agenda. It was noted that the speed activation signs had now been connected to the electricity supply and were working.

#### **8. Venue for Future Meetings**

Cllr W Freeman advised that there was the opportunity to hold meetings at Loch Leven Community Campus free of charge. Members raised their concerns around moving meetings to the Campus as the CC had previously had free use of PKC buildings for meetings but arrangements were changed, often at short notice.

A lengthy discussion was held, with suggestions being made that everything was put in writing in respect of rooms, times of opening etc. A vote was held in respect of pursuing the option of using the Campus and the vote was 6 for and 4 against. Cllr B Davies agreed to contact the Campus to gain all the information required before a final decision is made.

**ACTION: Cllr B Davies**

#### **9. Provost's Lamp**

Cllr W Robertson and Cllr D Cuthbert had met with PKC lighting officer in respect of siting the Lamp on a pole beside the Town Hall. A price had been requested for installation but this had not been received at the time of the meeting.

## 10. Kinross Town Centre Regeneration

Cllr M Barnacle advised that he, along with Cllr C Purves had requested a review of the project a while ago without success.

Cllr W Robertson raised concerns in respect of the bollards at the Salutation Hotel being regularly damaged by traffic and advised that he had written to Chic Haggert in respect of stronger bollards being placed. It was noted that it was HGVs which were damaging the bollards as opposed to cars and Cllr Robertson requested that the CC also write to Mr Haggert to express concerns.

It was agreed that Cllr D Colliar would write to Mr Haggert.

**ACTION: Cllr D Colliar**

Cllr B Davies advised that KCC funding closes on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

## 11. Kinross-shire Form Meeting

There had been no meeting since the December Community Council meeting.

## 12. Planning Matters

### a. Planning Applications Received since the Last Meeting

**18/02203/FLL:** Erection of garden room (in retrospect) at 70 Simpson Wynd, Kinross, KY13 8GP (**APPROVED**)

**18/02122/CON:** Demotion of a dwelling house and garage at 27 Curate Wynd, Kinross, KY13 8DX

**18/0301/IPL:** Erection of a dwelling house (in principle) at Land 20 metres North West of Levenbank, High Street, Kinross

**18/02085/FLL:** Extension to dwelling house and formation of steps at 8 Montgomery Way, Kinross, KY13 8FD

**18/02189/FLL:** Installation of railings and gates (in retrospect) at 2 Springfield Road, Kinross, KY13 8BA

**18/02344/FLL:** Change of use of open space to form extension to cemetery and associated works at Kinross Cemetery, Broom Road, Kinross

**19/00065/LAW:** Extension to dwelling house (proposed)

**19/00074/IPL:** Residential development (in principle) at Land 80 metres south east of Twin Pines, Tillyochie, Balado

Cllr I Jack advised that he had previously circulated the application in respect of **19/00074/IPL** which had previously been submitted in a different format and subsequently withdrawn in summer 2018. The land has been deemed as inappropriate for housing development and there are also technical issues with drawing, with various objections being submitted by concerned residents.

A farmer in the area expressed his concerns with the proposed application to the CC and requested that the Council write to PKC opposing the application. Cllr D Colliar confirmed that the CC had opposed the previous application on the same principles. Members agreed that a letter be sent from the CC.

**ACTION: Cllr D Colliar**

### b. Planning Applications Determined by PKC

**18/02107/LAW:** Extension to dwelling house at 19 Mavisbank, Kinross, KY13 8QR (**REFUSED**)  
**18/01877/LAW:** Extension to dwelling house at 2 Leven Place, Kinross, KY13 8BE (**APPROVED**)  
**18/01913/FLL:** Change of use of retail shop (class 1) to dwelling house at Tack Room, Tillyochie House, Balado (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02053/FLL:** Extension to dwelling house at 34 Morlich Place, Kinross, KY13 8BW (**WITHDRAWN**)  
**18/01888/FLL:** Formation of a vehicular access at 38 Montgomery Street, Kinross, KY13 8EB (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02155/FLL:** Extension to dwelling house at The Bield, 1 High Street, Kinross (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02121/IPL:** Residential development (in principle) at land 20 metres east of 27 Curate Wynd, Kinross (**REFUSED**)  
**18/02211/FLL:** Alterations to dwelling house at Louvain, 29 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AA (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02203/FLL:** Erection of a garden room (in retrospect) at 70 Simpson Wynd, Kinross, KY13 8GP (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02039/FLL:** Extension to dwelling house at 2 Morlich Place, Kinross, KY13 8BW (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02172/FLL:** Change of use of agricultural land to form additional garden ground and erection of a fence at Craigwell, Milnathort, Kinross, KY13 0NR (**APPROVED**)  
**18/02044/CON:** Demolition of pump house at former Kinross High School Pump house, High Street, Kinross (**REFUSED**)  
**18/02032/FLL:** Demotion of pump house and erection of a wall at former Kinross High School, High Street, Kinross (**REFUSED**)  
**18/02211/FLL:** Alterations to dwelling house at Louvain, 29 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AA (**APPROVED**)

There were no comments made on any of the above.

**c. Former Kinross High School Site**

There was no discussion around the former site.

**d. Other Planning Matters**

No other planning matters were raised.

**13. Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors**

Cllr W Robertson advised that a closing date of 14<sup>th</sup> February had been set for the Ward Based Initiative (a number of applications had been received already) with a training plan scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> February and a Panel meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> February.

In respect of Avenue Road, Cllr Robertson has arranged a site meeting with Housing and Parking officials following concerns re the south side (right hand side) of the road. The meeting is arranged for 2 pm on 5<sup>th</sup> March and it was agreed that CCllr M Blyth would represent the CC (a Green Space representative will also be invited to attend the meeting). CCllr I Jack confirmed that the issues were around badly parked cars and suggested that extending the double yellow lines may stop this.

In respect of the housing between Kinross and Milnathort, Cllr M Barnacle agreed with Cllr Robertson's comments.

With regard to LDP 2, Cllr Barnacle advised that the issue was more around capacity as opposed to numbers.

Members were advised that details of a consultation on how to improve community transport, linking rural communities with towns would be included in the next edition of the Newsletter. Cllr W Freeman requested that the links to the consultation be forwarded to the CC in order that these could be uploaded onto the Facebook page.

Cllr C Purves advised that his response to Portmoak CC in respect of cross boundaries would be included in a paper submitted to PKC on 27<sup>th</sup> February.

A bench had been installed at Myre Park. Cllr Freeman advised that the CC had been contacted by PKC in respect of the wording of a sign which would be erected at Myre Park. After discussion it was agreed that signs would be put at every entrance to the park and would read 'The Myre Park leading to The Montgomery Park'. Cllr Freeman would respond with this information to PKC.

**ACTION: Cllr W Freeman**

#### **14. Reports from CC Representatives**

There were no updates provided

#### **15. Licencing**

There were no licencing issues raised.

#### **16. Correspondence**

- a. University of Glasgow – the University had written to the CC (amongst others) advising that the Dumfries Campus were exploring the approaches to planning for and responding to natural hazards at a community level, in particular the extent to which local businesses are engaged in this. Following discussion, it was agreed that the CC would not participate in the survey.
- b. Kinross-shire Youth Enterprise – an invitation had been received to send a representative to the KYTHE on 24<sup>th</sup> February at 3 pm. Cllr B Davies agreed to represent the CC.

#### **17. Any Other Competent Business**

- a. Lathro – Cllr D Colliar advised that there had been no further consultation or report and felt that the concerns of the CC would be ignored.
- b. Christmas Lights/Tree – Cllr D Cuthbert wished to place on record his thanks to Jimmy Smith for donating the Christmas tree to the town.

In respect of the Christmas lights, PKC had emailed to advise that any advertising on poles (i.e., plaques on the poles highlighting who had contributed to the lights) would need to be paid for and had subsequently been removed by Tayside Contracts and put into storage.

It was agreed that Cllr D West would write to PKC in this respect.

**ACTION: Cllr D West**

c. Potholes in road at Chance Inn Farm –

Cllr T Stewart raised of potholes on the B918/A91 junction. Cllr W Robertson agreed to report this to PKC.

**ACTION: Cllr W Robertson**

d. Bridge at Burnbrae

Cllr I Jack enquired as to when the Bridge would be repaired and was advised that PKC were waiting until Spring to undertake the work. He asked that if the work had not been completed by the end of April, then the issue should be raised again.

e. Windlestrae Hotel – Cllr M Blyth asked for confirmation in respect of the planning application as she had heard that the current owners (McCarthy and Stone) had now decided not to go ahead with their building and planned to sell on. Cllr C Purves advised that he had also heard this but that he had no further information.

f. Outstanding Payments – Cllr I Stewart confirmed that all outstanding payments had been received.

g. Kirklands – Cllr M Blyth also enquired as to the current situation in respect of the recent planning application and was advised that the planning application had been approved.

h. Wilson Court Signs – Cllr L McKay advised that the sign in respect of parking was not working and wondered whether double yellow lines would be more appropriate. Cllr W Robertson agreed to deal with this issue.

**ACTION: Cllr W Robertson**

i. Wilson Court/Springfield Road – a hole in the road had been reported to PKC and had been filled on a temporary basis.

j. Kirkgate Play Park –

Cllr L McKay raised concerns around cars being driven on the park at night and advised that this had been reported to the Police who had increased the number of patrols in the area. The play park itself was still fenced off and Cllr W Robertson agreed to look into this.

**ACTION: Cllr W Robertson**

k. Broken Window at Mill Street

Cllr L McKay agreed to send details to Cllr Robertson.

**ACTION: Cllr L McKay**

l. Wreaths on Memorial -

Cllr L McKay advised that the wreaths had been blown into the Christmas tree following the recent high winds and some had been damaged. It was agreed that the wreaths which had been damaged should be disposed of, while the others should be replaced on the Memorial.

m. Dog Mess

Cllr L McKay raised the issue of issue of increased dog mess around the Loch and it was agreed that dog wardens would be requested to patrol the area.

n. Street Lights

Cllr B Davies raised the issue of the lights around the leisure centre and enquired as to who was responsible for replacing bulbs. Cllr W Robertson advised that Live Active and not PKC were responsible.

Cllr B Davies would contact Live Action.

**ACTION: Cllr B Davies**

o. Litter Issue Around Giacopazzis

Cllr B Davies raised the issue of litter around the area of the shop and the incorrect placing of rubbish bins. Cllr Robertson advised that it was land owners responsibility to place the bins not the Council's however he would request an additional bin for the area.

It was agreed that the CC would write to Giacopazzi's (Cllr B Davies is to draft the letter for Cllr Freeman to sign off).

**ACTION: Cllr B Davies/Cllr W Freeman**

p. Cold Calling Signs

Cllr L McKay advised that a supply of cold calling signs were now available for residents from local businesses, including the Library. Cllr McKay also advised that the Police can prosecute if householders display the signs and receive cold callers.

## 18. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7.30 pm in the Lodge.

The meeting ended at approximately 10.00 pm  
All minutes are draft until considered at the next meeting