

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 M Barnacle, C Purves, D West and R Watters.

Other: None

Public: 2 members of the public

1. Introductions and Apologies

Apologies were received from PKC Cllr W Robertson and PS D Stapleton.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest from those present.

3. Minutes of Meeting of 6th February 2019

A number of minor amendments were required to the minutes at items 9, 10, 12 (b), 17 (a) and (b). The minutes were then accepted as an accurate record.

4. Police Report

PC D Stapleton had emailed in the latest police report highlighting the following:

- Theft of caravan, Gallowhill
- House break-in to Café, High Street
- BT fraud
- Theft of Whacker Plate
- Youths causing annoyance – wheelie bins overturned

Members again raised their concerns at the lack of attendance by Police Scotland at meetings and after discussion, it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Chief Constable, local MSP and MP expressing the CC's concerns about this.

Cllr W Freeman advised that the most recent Commander's Bulletin had been received early today and that a number of incidents were included in the Bulletin including a break in at the Garden Centre, counterfeit Bank of Ireland £50 in circulation and a van being vandalised.

Cllr M Barnacle commented that on page 5 of the Bulletin there was no mention of local community policing teams in Kinross.

Cllr M Blyth raised the issue of parking at the school commenting that earlier in the week she had witnessed a driver park their car on the junction of Emslie Drive who then went to collect

their children from school. A police van went past the car, and while CClr Blyth expected them to stop to speak to the driver, they did not.

CClr J Bryson advised that although a 'drop off' zone is a good idea, this simply was not working with parent double parking, parking in disabled bays, patrons of the tennis courts using the drop off zone for parking and damage to teacher's cars in the car park. He reported that a number of communications had been issued by the Head Teacher to parents and although this works for a short while, things return to 'normal'.

Clr C Purves confirmed that there were a number of points to consider and agreed to look at this further.

ACTION: Clr C Purves

CClr B Davies commented that there were similar issues at the school in Auchterarder and although Police and Traffic Wardens had been requested to help, the school was private property and nothing could be done.

CClr D Cuthbert would compose a letter incorporating the points raised at the meeting.

ACTION: CClr D Cuthbert

CClr W Freeman reminded members that if there were any specific policing matters they wished to raise, they should contact PC D Stapleton direct.

5. Resignation of Secretary/replacement

There had been no volunteers for the post of Secretary.

ACTION: Minute Secretary

6. Matters arising from Minutes of 6th February 2019

- Primary School Crossing Concerns – CClr J Bryson advised that, although he had drafted a response, this had not been sent due to external circumstances. He agreed to send the letter as soon as possible.

ACTION: CClr J Bryson

CClr Bryson reported that a number of confusing messages had been received in respect of the proposed removal and requested that the Council write to the Parent Council to confirm what is actually happening. Clr C Purves agreed to pursue this, and will copy the CC into his letter.

ACTION: Clr C Purves

A member of the public advised that she was very concerned with the decision taken by PKC and she had emailed a lot of people about this. She felt strongly that all residents of Kinross should be told of the removal, not just parents and the School Council.

- Litter issue around Giocopazzi's – CClr B Davies advised that he had recently met with Lucy Cartwright in respect of the litter issue. Apparently no shop premise has to provide a refuse bin outside their property and as such, Giocopazzi's have a private contractor to empty the bins at their property. However 3 surplus bins have been identified and will be relocated/emptied accordingly. LLCC will also be contacted asking them to resite 2 bins.
- Town Centre Regeneration – a holding letter has been received and an update will be given at a future meeting.
- Kinross Town Centre Regeneration – Clr C Purves advised that he had written to Mr C Haggert with regard to the bollards at the Salutation Hotel and had been advised by Mr Haggert that this was no longer in his remit and he had passed it on to a colleague. It was agreed that a list of concerns regarding the bollards would be compiled and passed on. It

was also agreed that an article be published in the newsletter and put on the Facebook page asking for residents to submit their concerns.

- Planning application at Tillyochie – Cllr M Barnacle advised that a number of letters of support had been received in respect of the application but reminded everyone of the increase in ‘creeping housing estates’ coming into the area.
- Myre Park Sign – thanks had been received for confirmation of the wording.
- Broken window – details were passed on and the window has now been fixed.
- Live Active – Cllr B Davies advised that his had been left with Councillors and a letter had been received advising that the lighting would be repaired when the car park was repaired.

7. KYTHE – The Gathering

Cllr B Davies advised that he had attended the recent meeting where 51 members of the public attended. KYTHE are funded by the 4 Kinross churches and will be operating from the Health Centre for the next 3 years. They are looking for volunteers to run activities, with PVG checks being organised by them. Cllr Davies felt that the area were fortunate to have such an organisation and hoped that the CC would be able to support them in some way. Cllr Davies will pass on contact details to Cllr D West.

ACTION: Cllr B Davies

8. LLCC Management Group Meeting

Cllr B Davies advised that he had attended a recent management group meeting where the CC had been offered the use of ICT rooms 1 or 2 for meetings, but Cllr Davies felt that these did not meet the needs and the CC were subsequently offered the use of the lecture theatre instead (would meet all the requirements).

At the last meeting of the Management Group last week, it was confirmed that they would welcome the CC to use LLCC with open arms, and Cllr D West seconded the motion to move CC meetings to the Campus.

It was agreed that arrangements would be requested in writing from the Management Group – Cllr Davies would arrange this.

ACTION: Cllr B Davies

It was also suggested that the booking with the Lodge should not be cancelled, until the CC confirm that they are happy with the new arrangements. Cllr D West is to draft a letter to the Lodge, for the Chair to sign.

ACTION: Cllr D West/Cllr W Freeman

9. Provost’s Lamp

No update available.

10. Kinross Town Centre Regeneration

Cllr D Cuthbert commented that it appeared that the Edwardian building would be the last building to be complete and that the work which had already taken place was not in keeping with the original building. It was agreed that Cllr I Jack would draft a letter to the Head of Planning (David Littlejoy) at PKC for the Chair to sign.

ACTION: Cllr I Jack/Cllr W Freeman

11. Kinross-shire Form Meeting

No update available as there had been no recent meetings held.

12. Planning Matters

a. Planning Applications Received since the Last Meeting

19/00138/FLL – Change of use to retail unit (Class 1) to form a non-residential insitution unit (Class 10), shop at Loch Leven Health Centre, The Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8FP.

b. Planning Applications Determined by PKC

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

18/01863/FLL – erection of a dwelling house at land 80 metres north of Wood of Coldrain Farm Cottage, Coldrain (**APPROVED**)

18/02085/FLL – extension to dwelling house and formation of steps at 8 Montgomery Way, Kinross, KY13 8FD (**REFUSED**)

18/01807/FLL – residential development (in principle) at land 20 metres south west of 16 Curate Wynd, Kinross (**APPROVED**)

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

- Removal of comments from PKC website – Cllr C Purves asked if there had been any response to concerns being raised regarding the removal of comments on planning applications from the PKC website and was advised that there had been no response. Cllr M Barnacle confirmed that he would be raising this issue at the next meeting.

No other planning matters were raised.

13. Reports from Perth & Kinross Councillors

- Living Streets Audit – Cllr R Watters advised that this was an audit in respect of accessibility for disabled people in the local area. £1m had been put aside to cover the recommendations but unfortunately this was not passed through the PKC budget.
- Centralisation of school meals – Cllr R Watters confirmed that this had been approved, which would result in a loss of jobs in Perth and Kinross, although some employees would transfer to Dundee. Cllr W Freeman advised that Health Boards were looking to undertake a similar project for hospital meals.
- Community transport – Cllr M Barnacle advised that an article had been published in the newsletter to gather information from residents as to what they think of the transport links currently available and what they would like to see. Cllr D Colliar commented that the difficulty would be in that people want to travel at different times, and he asked how a potential service would be funded. Those present suggested that as well as hand delivering

questionnaires/leaflets in the rural areas, they should be made available in libraries, schools etc. and published on the website and Facebook page.

- Cllr M Barnacle mentioned an article he had written for the newsletter regarding Balado and contaminated water supplies. He has been advised that since the residents are connected to a private supply, they would be liable to any costs to improve. Cllr Barnacle advised that he had asked the Council to fund this improvement but had not yet had a response.
- Website meeting – Cllr D West updated the CC on his recent attendance at the Kinross Partnership meeting, especially in relation to the CC’s message that there was no money available to assist the Partnership; there appeared to be an expectation/belief that the CC would contribute half of any deficit; there is still no effective financial control of costs by the community council and the Partnership have sought indicative costs for updating the website and have suggested a figure in the region of £10,000.

Cllr West advised that it was apparent that the site needed major updating and that this will have a cost- although he felt that this may not be as much as had been suggested. Cllr West suggested that a further letter clarifying our determination to ensure that there is an expenditure budget set which is within the expected income generation and that we are accordingly limiting our liability and the Partnership much contain expenditure to that budget amount.

Cllr West agreed to draft a letter for the Chair’s signature.

ACTION: Cllr D West/ CClr W Freeman

14. Reports from CC Representatives

- Community Investment Fund – CClr D Cuthbert advised that 11 applications had been received and a report had been drafted for inclusion in the newsletter. 5 CCs had been represented and he felt that this could be used as an argument to have a local committee.
- Kinross-shire Fund – CClr D Colliar advised that the Fund had met on Monday and allocated £2000 to Fossoway and £2000 to KYTHE for a computer for their new premises.
- LLCC Management Group – CClr B Davies advised that he was waiting on information from the Group and he would forward this to CClr D Cuthbert as he is due to attend the next meeting.

ACTION: CClr B Davies/CClr D Cuthbert

- Sub-Committee Membership – CClr J Bryson requested to step down from sub-committee meetings, in the short-term, due to personal circumstances and after discussion, it was agreed that CClr M Blyth would take his place.
- The Avenue – CClr M Blyth advised that she had met with representatives from PKC the day before in respect of the parking issues in the area. A number of photographs were taken and it was agreed that plans and costings would be drawn up for this work, although it was likely to be April 2020 before any work could take place due to budget restraints.

15. Licencing

There were no licencing issues raised.

16. Correspondence

CClr W Freeman confirmed that he continued to forward correspondence to note and highlighted two items:

- Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, Perth and Kinross (Kinross Traffic Management) (Variation) (No 11) Order 2019 (11/19) which will come into effect from 15th March 2019.

- Scottish and Southern Electricity Network) (SSEN) north of Scotland Resilient Communities Fund is now open for applications. Applications are welcomed from local projects which protect the welfare of vulnerable community members through enhancing their resilience and improving community participation and effectiveness, or enhance community facilities, services and communications specifically to support the local response in the event of a significant emergence event. A total of £140,000 is available and applications will be accepted until 23rd May 2019. Anyone who wishes further information should Lindsay Dougan at SSEN on 0141 224 7729 or email lindsay.dougan@sse.com

17. Any Other Competent Business

- Resignation - Councillor B Davies enquired as to what the paid Councillors were doing to help the community. Over the last 10 years, while being on the CC, he felt that not enough had been done and expressed his disappointment and disappointment at this. Councillor Davies therefore felt that it was time to move on and tendered his resignation from the CC.

Councillor W Freeman commented that Councillor B Davies had attended represented the CC at a number of critical meetings and, on behalf of the CC, thanked him for his efforts over the last 10 years.

- Centralisation of Services – on behalf of a concerned resident, Councillor J Bryson raised the issue of a delay in an ambulance attending an incident approximately 2 weeks ago. Unfortunately it had taken around 1 hr for the ambulance to arrive and Councillor Bryson asked the PKC Councillors to raise this matter with their colleagues. Councillor C Purves agreed to raise this matter.
- ACTION: Councillor C Purves**
- Remaining funds – Councillor I Jack advised that at the end of the fiscal year, £369 remained in the account, although a bill of £150 was expected for the hire of the hall for meetings. He asked CC members what they wished to do with the remaining funds and after discussion, it was agreed that the surplus would be donated to the newsletter fund, proposed by Councillor D West and seconded by Councillor D Colliar.

Councillor I Jack would arrange for the funds to be transferred accordingly.

ACTION: Councillor I Jack

- Path into Alexander Drive – Councillor D Colliar advised that this road was constantly blocked and it was agreed that a letter would be sent to Persimmon Homes.
- ACTION: Councillor D Cuthbert**
- Brewin Dolphins Cycling Event – 12th May 2019 – Councillor W Freeman advised that advance notice had been received of a cyclo sportive on 12th May 2019 (starting and finishing at Lochore Meadows Country Park) which would be passing through Kinross.

18. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd April 2019 at 7.30 pm in Loch Leven Community Campus.

The meeting ended at approximately 9.30 pm
All minutes are draft until considered at the next meeting