

The City & Royal Burgh of Elgin Community Council

Held in Moray Council Chambers on Tuesday 11th August 2015 at 7.00pm

1.	<u>Sederunt and Apologies</u> . (* Associate, ** Youth)	<u>ACTION</u>
a.	<p><u>MEMBERS</u></p> <p>Alastair KENNEDY(Chair), Gordon METHVEN(Sec'), Iain CATTO, Steven CHRISTIE, David CHAPMAN*, Andrew GRAY, Ann GLOVER, Maureen MANSON, Steven MILNE, Pat PATERSON, Mary WALL, Eddie WALLACE, Jim WISEMAN (Minutes).</p> <p><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></p> <p>Cllr John DIVERS, Cllr Patsy GOWANS, Cllr Graham LEADBITTER, Cllr Kirsty REID, Cllr Mike SHAND, Hazel Lawson (Northern Scot) Andrew MacKIE (Community Warden) PC RoderickMcLEOD (Police Scotland), Laura MITCHELL (Richard Lochhead MSP's Office) Catriona GRAY Donna MacLEAN</p> <p><u>APPOLOGIES</u></p> <p>Bryan WATSON(Vice Chair), Gordie WELLS, Krystian KACZALA (Stagecoach). Cllr James ALLAN,</p>	
b.	<p><u>WELCOME</u></p> <p>Alastair Kennedy welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
c.	<p><u>SPEAKER</u></p> <p>Donna MacLean explained the benefits of a community resilience plan illustrated by a case study of Forres and Kinloss resilience plan. Moray Council is supportive of such plans provided they are owned by their communities. Andrew Gray is to prepare a document and organise a workshop to develop it further.</p>	AGr
2.	<p><u>PREVIOUS MINUTES</u></p> <p>The minutes were proposed by Steven Christie and seconded by Iain Catto with no objections.</p>	
3.	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING.</u></p> <p>a. Page 4 item 11a – Cancellation of 7.25am train – Ongoing b. Page 4 item 11c – Community Resuscitation Conference is being held on 18th October 2015 c. Page 4 item 11d – Eight Acres flower bed – d. Page 4 item 11e – Seagulls Nuisance</p>	AK BW Cllr KR PP
4.	<p><u>AGENCY UPDATES</u></p>	
a.	<p><u>POLICE SCOTLAND</u></p> <p>See Report appended.</p> <p>Various crimes were highlighted namely, 2 attempted breakins, car tyre damage in New Elgin, and a trailer stolen in the Wards.</p> <p>Clarification was given to a question from a previous meeting that a member of the public who reports a crime should get feedback on it within 7-14 days.</p> <p>Not wearing seat belts and using mobile phones while driving were targeted in operation cedar.</p>	
b.	<p><u>STAGECOACH</u></p> <p>No Report</p>	

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c.	<p><u>COMMUNITY WARDEN</u></p> <p>Andrew MacKie reported recent activities in Kathy Grants absence.</p> <p>Andrew MacKie outlined the new Fair Travel Scheme for young persons explaining the discounts available and the benefits this would have to young persons in terms of their social interaction and potential future prospects.</p> <p>Anne Glover thanked Andrew MacKie for his work on dog fouling and the notices deployed at Ladyhill which have been effective.</p>	
d.	<p><u>CONSULTATIONS</u></p> <p>1) Scottish Government – Fairer Scotland www.fairer.scot conference Glasgow 16/9/2015. No one offered to attend.</p> <p>2) Foundation Scotland – Achieving impact with Community Benefit Alexander Graham Bell Centre 29/9/2015. Alastair Kennedy and Gordon Methven to attend.</p> <p>3) Design Review on WLR was attended and disappointing how long the notes took to be issued.</p> <p>4) Affasair – Catriona Gray shared her experiences of chronic pain and it was agreed to support the activities of the Affasair group in so far as they focus on delivering better services locally.</p>	
5.	<p><u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u> (See reports previously circulated)</p>	
a.	<p><u>PLANNING</u></p> <p>Response was submitted to 15/01172/APP dementia care facility at 3 Thornhill Drive.</p> <p>Proposed attendance at Springfield Properties Elgin South development masterplan event was discussed.</p> <p>Findrassie consultation is out 31/8 to 9/10/2015</p>	All
b.	<p><u>RECREATION, LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT</u></p> <p>Anne glover gave a report from the PPF group where self directed support was discussed.</p> <p>Anne Glover to get quote for painting the railings at Ladyhill</p> <p>Mary Wall outlined proposals to attend the Moray Food and Drink Festival in Elgin 22/8/2015 and asked for help staffing the Fair Trade Stall.</p>	All
c.	<p><u>ROADS & TRANSPORTATION</u></p> <p>All matters progressing</p>	
d.	<p><u>YOUTH.</u></p> <p>No report</p>	
e.	<p><u>Licencing</u></p> <p>No report</p>	
f.	<p><u>Christmas Lights</u></p> <p>Alastair Kennedy reported that the fundraising target had been reached.</p>	
g.	<p><u>Grant Lodge</u></p> <p>Marion Manson has taken up membership of the trust.</p>	MM
h.	<p><u>Social Media</u></p> <p><u>No Report</u></p>	
i.	<p><u>CHAIR'S REPORT</u></p>	

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	See report	
j.	<u>SECRETARY'S REPORT</u> See report	
6.	<u>COMMUNITY PLANNING.</u>	
a.	<u>ELGIN SOUTH AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING FORUM</u> See ESAF Minutes circulated and available on www.yourmoray.org.uk No meeting in July and Next meeting 18/8/2015	
b.	<u>SPICE</u> See Minutes circulated. SPICE Is undergoing a refresh.	
c.	<u>JCC & COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATION IN COMMUNITY PLANNING</u> Next meeting Thursday 13/8/2015	
d.	<u>TOWN CENTRE DESIGN CHARRETTES – No report</u> <u>NO update</u>	
e.	<u>Resilience Plan</u>	
	See Speaker	
7.	<u>EDUCATION</u>	
a.	<u>New Elgin High School</u> Further delays are emerging	
b.	<u>Elgin Academy</u> No Report	
c.	<u>Primary Schools</u> No Report	
8.	<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u> Account #1 has £3,368.93	
9.	<u>ONGOING TOPICS</u>	
a.	<u>DEANSHAUGH PLAYING FIELDS</u> No Report	
b.	<u>Elgin Cathedral</u> Alastair Kennedy to follow up	AK
10.	<u>EVENTS</u>	
a.	<u>COMMUNITY AWARDS</u> Nominations are open during September 2015.	

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b.	<u>Elgin Festival</u>	
	Gordon Methven to circulate a report of the sub group meeting re the idea of an Elgin Festival.	
c.	<u>TRAINING</u> TSI Moray Sustainability 3/9/2015 – Community Empowerment conference in Inverurie – Iain Catto to attend.	
11.	<u>A.O.C.B.</u>	
12.	<u>NEXT MEETING</u> 7:00pm Tuesday 13th October 2015 Council Chambers, High Street, Elgin.	
13.	<u>CLOSE</u> There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone and closed the meeting.	

CITATION: These Minutes were adopted as a True Record of Proceedings:

Proposer: _____

Seconder: _____

Chair: _____ Mr Alastair Kennedy

Date: _____



COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT

ELGIN

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1. LOCAL INTEREST INFORMATION

- Ongoing Investigations in Elgin

There were two attempted break in's to domestic dwelling houses during this period in the Beech Brae area and South Guildry Street areas of Elgin.

On 7 July a wooden fence at New Elgin Primary School was damaged. A group of children were seen running away.

On 23 July a window of the front porch area at Elgin Library was broken by an unidentified male. Enquiries are continuing

Enquiries are still ongoing into the damage caused to car tyres in New Elgin as a result of tacks being thrown onto the road. These incidents seem to have tailed off meantime.

Overnight 26/27 July, a trailer was stolen from an industrial unit at The Wards

Anyone with any information on the crimes mentioned above and any other crimes in the Elgin Policing Area should contact the Police Scotland on 101, Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or call in person at the Elgin Police Office.

2. FEEDBACK ON POLICE ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO MATTERS RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING

With regards to the point raised by the Chairman, Mr Kennedy re dangerous/inconsiderate drivers - matters such as these will be allocated from the Control Room to local officers to investigate. If matters are at the lower scale then these can be dealt with by Service Centre Staff via advisory notification given to the drivers of the offending vehicle. That said the laws of evidence still have to be observed before a warning can be given.

3. DETAILS OF ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO YOUR PRIORITIES

Our multi member ward plans are designed to address your priorities, which are:

Community Focus

Road Safety and Road Crime

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Operation Cedar continues and those who chose not to wear seat belts and use mobile telephones whilst driving will be targeted. There is a link between these two offences and fatal/serious road accidents.

Antisocial Behaviour

There were no licensing offences recorded during this period

Drugs

Seven persons were dealt with for the possession of controlled drugs

Other Crime of Interest

Violence

23 incidents of a domestic nature were recorded during the month an increase of three from the previous reporting period.

22 incidents of minor assault were recorded. There is no specific pattern to this type of offending which also includes domestic assault.

4. ONGOING LOCAL/FORCEWIDE ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Operation Cedar continues which is a Divisional wide operation targeting offending motorists in an effort to reduce road traffic casualties. The use of mobile phones whilst driving and the failure to use seat belts have found to be contributing factors in a number of fatal and serious road collisions and these offences will continue to be targeted. The ultimate aim is to educate the motoring public whilst taking enforcement action all with a view to reducing the number of people killed and seriously injured on our roads.

Elgin Inspectors:

Inspector Ewan Strachan
Inspector Grant McCutcheon

Your team is based at Elgin Police Office

Contact us: In a non-emergency – **101**

Once an incident has been recorded a decision will then be made, dependent on the circumstances as to which officer is best placed to address the problem.

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POLICE SCOTLAND

Police Scotland are keen to highlight their use of social media and advise the public that our latest news can be found at www.scotland.police.uk and using the Twitter feeds @policescotland and @ShireMorayPol or on Facebook at facebook.com/policescotland

CRIMESTOPPERS

If anyone has any information relating to controlled drugs or drug dealing, please call the Police Scotland on 101. Alternatively, contact can be made with Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Crimestoppers allow information to be passed in relation to any crime or criminal activity anonymously. They can be contacted via the website at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

PARENTLINE SCOTLAND

ParentLine Scotland is a free helpline (0800 28 22 33) and email service parentlinescotland@children1st.org.uk for anyone with concern about a child. www.parentlinescotland.org.uk

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Chair`s report for August meeting

Friday 24/07/15 Along with Gordon Methven I met up with Jim Royan to discuss whether we might organise an event or a festival in conjunction with Castle to Cathedral to Cashmere (CCC). We agreed to ensure we were represented at the next CCC stakeholder meeting on 31st August.

Friday 24/07/15 Along with Steven, Bryan, Eddie and Gordon I helped raise the three banners welcoming the Orienteers to the area.

Monday 27/07/15 I attended a JCC sub-group meeting in Forres to respond to the outcomes from Scottish Rural Action after the Rural Parliament.

Thursday 20/07/15 I attended a meeting of members to discuss a possibly festival and also to discuss what ideas we might take to the CCC stakeholder meeting.

Monday 03/08/15 I attended a third JCC sub-group meeting, this time in Lossiemouth. This meeting covered the last of the relevant subjects.

Tuesday 04/08/15 I chaired a meeting of Innes Community Council. There were actually 15 members of the public in attendance although 4 attended to speak about planning applications.

Wednesday 05/08/15 Following an invitation I was due to attend the Orienteering event at Darnaway. Unfortunately something came up and I had to tender last-minute apologies.

This month appears to have been fairly quiet. As always, if anyone wishes more information on any of the above then please get in touch.

Alastair Kennedy

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Secretary`s report for August meeting

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Monday 27/07/15 Along with Alastair Kennedy and Steve Christie I attended a JCC sub-group meeting in Forres to respond to the action plan produced by Scottish Rural Action after the Rural Parliament.

Thursday 30/07/15 I attended the sub group meeting of members to discuss the idea of an Elgin Medieval festival and also to discuss what ideas we might take to the CCC stakeholder meeting. I have taken the workshop sheets and notes/ideas submitted by members and will circulate a report in due course.

Monday 03/08/15 Along with Alastair Kennedy and Steve Christie I attended a steering group meeting of the Moray Community Awards. This is ongoing and seems to be proceeding well.

Monday 03/08/15 I attended the third JCC sub-group meeting to prepare a response to the previously mentioned action plan produced by Scottish Rural Action, this time in Lossiemouth. This meeting covered the last of the relevant subjects. I have forwarded the report to Scottish Rural Action and this will also be circulated to members in due course.

Correspondence – We have received confirmation from Moray Council that they have formally adopted the local plan.

Gordon Methven