Innes Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 4th August 2015, in Garmouth Golf Club, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mr A Anderson

Mr L Bangura Mrs W Linn Mr J Mackie Mrs A Speake

In Attendance: Mr A Kennedy Acting Chair for the meeting

Mrs C Allan Mrs M Anderson

Mr J Campbell Moray Council

Mr J Fensome Mr J Fettes Mr P Fitch Mr K Gray Mrs L Gray Mrs F Mackie

Mrs F McPherson Moray Health and Social Care

Mrs A Milne Minute Taker

Mrs S Nicholson Mr N Sanderson Mrs G Stewart

Apologies: Mr P Gordon Smith

Mr P Hendy Scottish Flood Forum

Minute	Discussion	Action
	The Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.	
1	Apologies	
	Noted as above.	
2	Police Report	
	The Police Report that had been previously circulated was noted.	
3	Moray Councillors' Reports	
	As no Councillor was present, there was no report.	
4	Public Submissions	

KINGSTON – Mr Fensome outlined his concerns about the lack of an effective coastal defence system for Kingston, and the actions he had untaken in trying to get the matter resolved. He reiterated his concern about the policy that had been agreed by the Moray Council's Policy and Resources Committee on 20th January 2015 - as outlined in the ICC Minutes of 3rd February 2015 (Item 8).

He felt that Kingston was being neglected by the Moray Council and asked ICC to investigate why this was happening and also cited issues like the lack of street lighting, speed signs, the poor condition of the path between Garmouth and Kingston and the drainage.

Mr Mackie explained that Garmouth and Kingston Amenities had negotiated with Moray Council to upgrade the footpath between Garmouth and Kingston from this year's capital budget at a cost of £60,000.

Mr Fensome felt that the infrastructure in Kingston had been ignored for years and it was agreed that ICC would seek to obtain a date for the work to commence on the footpath, and also to take up other issues with the relevant Officers of the Council.

ICC

The Acting Chair agreed to contact the Ward Councillors encouraging them to attend ICC meetings.

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LHANBRYDE – PROPOSED SUPPORTED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT – The Acting Chair introduced John Campbell, Provider Services Manager, Community Health and Social Care Partnership. Mr Campbell informed the meeting of the proposed development of ten bungalows close to the industrial units in Lhanbryde for people with learning difficulties and autism. The idea being that the client group could be supported to live as independently as possible. The development would consist of 7 permanent homes, one respite, one communal living space and one residence for staff.

After his presentation Mr Campbell answered a number of questions. Concerns raised included the anti-social behaviour that Lhanbryde is prone to, how realistic was it to try and integrate the client group into the community, the adjacent noise both from people using the Crooked Wood with off road motorcycles and from the electrical sub station, and the victimisation that the client group may be subjected to. He advised that he would take these points back to the Project Team, and also informed the meeting that an awareness raising event was planned for 12th August 2015, in Lhanbryde Community Centre from 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

The application had not yet been submitted to the Planning Committee and ICC could submit any planning concerns at that time.

ICC

The Acting Chair thanked Mr Campbell for his presentation.

5	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd June 2015 were agreed with the following amendment: Item 7 – Invasive Non Native Species (INNS) should read Scottish Wildlife Trust not Scottish Natural Heritage. Proposed by Mr Mackie and seconded by Mr Bangura.	
6	Matters Arising	
	STAIRLIFTS – On-going.	AS
	COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN – Mrs Linn advised she had received a copy of the Garmouth and Kingston Plan which was drawn up in 2009, and she will update it for Kingston.	WL
	Mr Mackie advised that the work on obtaining information on community halls within the area was on-going.	JM
	DRUG AND ALCOHOL STRATEGY CONSULTATION – Following representation to the Community Engagement Group the consultation period for this strategy had been extended to 31 st August 2015.	
	The Acting Chair also advised that the jargon concerns raised at the last meeting had been taken on board by the Integrated Joint Board for health and social care.	
	CO-OPTION OF COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS – The Acting Chair advised that he would shortly be meeting with the Editor of the Northern Scot.	
	ADMIRALTY CHARTS – The Acting Chair advised he had checked with the insurance and it was not worth making a claim.	
	TRAINING FOR COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS – Mr Mackie advised that the recent training organised by the Joint Community Councils had been very good.	
	The Acting Chair advised that should the Secretary require computer training this could be arranged.	
	PARKING ON ST ANDREW'S ROAD, LHANBRYDE (Mentioned under Police Report at previous meeting) – It was agreed that the Secretary should write to the Moray Council regarding this issue.	AS
7	Co-option of Community Councillors	
	Mr Anderson proposed Mrs Carol Allan and this motion was seconded by Mrs Speake. Mrs Allan was duly co-opted.	

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8	Cheque Signatories	
	This matter had been finalised.	
	The balance in the account stood at £2,174.99, but there were a number of outstanding accounts.	
9	Community Resilience Plan	
	This item had been dealt with under matters arising.	
10	Invasive Non Native Species (INNS)	
	Mr Mackie advised that anyone working on clearing INNS now needed to have a certificate. He further advised that the work on the petition to the Scottish Government was on-going.	JM
11	Planning Matters	
	APPLICATION FOR ONE HOUSE NEAR CROFTS OF DIPPLE – The Crown Estates had submitted this application and a number of concerns were raised including the position of the house and the visibility for traffic coming on to a main road from a single track road, and the fact that the development breached the Council's planning guidance for housing in the countryside. After discussion it was agreed that Mr Mackie would draft a letter of observation on behalf of ICC.	JM
	APPLICATION FOR PRIVATE ROAD IN GARMOUTH – Mrs Nicholson outlined this application and raised a number of concerns as did others present. Following earlier representation Mrs Linn had drafted ICC's response and had received an acknowledgement.	
12	Correspondence	
	All correspondence had been circulated around the members and was noted.	
13	Consultations	
	GAMBLING ACT 2005 – The Moray Licensing Board is reviewing its statement of licensing policy in respect of this Act.	
14	OTHER BUSINESS	
	SPEYSIDE WAY – The condition of the Speyside Way was raised and it was agreed that Mr Mackie would contact Ian Douglas of the Moray Council.	JM
	There were also further problems with the Spey Viaduct and Mr	

Bangura was investigating this.

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FOOTPATH FROM KINGSTON TO LOSSIEMOUTH – Mrs Linn advised that she had two issues to raise concerning a reply, sent by the Crown to Richard Lochhead MSP's request for information for a constituent who lives in Beach Road. That constituent and three others had asked her to raise the matter with ICC.

The first request for information was to the statement "an approach from Mr James Mackie expressing an interest of a charitable trust in the land behind Bayview". Mrs Linn asked for information from Mr Mackie who denied any knowledge of – or any involvement in – that statement.

The second request was to the statement "following requests from the community work has been done to prevent damage from vehicular access on the land to the north of Bayview" and "all occupiers, to whom it applies, have been notified of the prohibition and arrangements made for access." This has understandably caused a lot of anger as for years and years people who live there – some of them all their lives – have repaired the damage quietly and efficiently themselves and did not request access restrictions.

CHAIRING OF FORTHCOMING MEETINGS – Mr Mackie asked Mr Kennedy to Chair the next two meetings of ICC and he agreed.

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Next Meeting

Tuesday 1st September 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Garmouth Golf Club.