Innes Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 6th December 2016, in Lhanbryde Community Centre, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mr A Anderson Chair

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

In Attendance: Mr P Fitch

Mr G Hogg Lateral North
Cllr M Howe Moray Council
Mrs A Milne Minute Taker

Mr D Morrison

Cllr S Morton Moray Council

Mr M Reid Mrs G Stewart

Apologies: Mrs C Allan

Cllr D Ross Moray Council

Minute	Discussion	Action
	The Chair welcomed everyone, and thanked them for attending.	
1	Apologies	
	Noted as above.	
2	Police Report	
	The new style Police Report had been received. But contained no reference to the Innes Community Council area. An e-mail had been sent to the Police highlighting this omission.	
3	Moray Councillors' Reports	
	Cllr Howe reported on the Planning and Regulatory Services Committee meeting and decisions that had been taken including a new housing development in Forres, and a new office for the Conservative Party, also in Forres.	
	Cllr Morton advised that a decision may be taken by the Full Council on suspending the proposed improvements to the school estate and also work on the supported housing complex in Lhanbryde, due to the	

	Council's financial situation.	
4	Lateral North	
	The Chair welcomed Mr Graham Hogg of Lateral North. Mr Hogg explained that Lateral North are an architects practice working with communities throughout Scotland, and in the local area were working with Grampian Housing. Funding for the project had been provided through Creative Scotland and Development Trust Association (Scotland). He highlighted some of the areas in which they were working including Dumfries and Farr.	
	Innes Community Council area ha\d been identified as a possible area that could benefit from this project, and Garmouth and Kingston were proposed by Mrs Linn, due to the work being undertaken on the neritage of the area.	
	Mr Hogg would e-mail Mr Mackie with possible dates for the community consultation.	GH
5	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	
	The minutes of the meeting held on 1 st November were agreed as a correct record. Proposed by Mr Mackie and seconded by Mr Dunbar.	
6	Matters Arising	
	LITTER FORUM: Mrs Linn reported on the first meeting of the Litter Forum which had been Chaired by Stephen Cooper, Head of Direct Services, Moray Council. At the meeting it was proposed that a member of the community should be Chair of the Forum, and Steven Christie was duly elected.	
	To widen representation on the Forum it was agreed to extend an invitation to all community councils. It was also agreed that a representative of the Forum should sit on tsiMORAY's Environmental and Sustainability Forum.	
7	Treasurer's Report	
	The Treasurer reported that now he had returned from abroad he will be updating the accounts for Innes Community Council.	
8	Community Resilience Plan	
	Mrs Linn reported that she had received a further return, and that a note would be circulating shortly to formulate an asset register.	WL
9	Road Safety Issues	
	Mr Mackie highlighted a number of road safety issues, which included	

the Essil Road from Garmouth to Mosstodloch, particularly near the cemetery when a funeral was taking place, and parents' concerns that the 20mph speed limit within Garmouth should be extended to make walking to the hall for the playgroup safer.

Cllr Howe suggested that a member of the Roads Department be invited to attend a meeting of Innes Community Council to discuss these issues. It was also agreed that the Police should be invited to the same meeting.

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10 Maternity Services – Dr Gray's Hospital

Mr Mackie reported on a situation that a member of his family had experienced with maternity care at Dr Gray's Hospital at a weekend, which had necessitated a journey to Aberdeen due to lack of maternity cover.

Cllr Morton advised that he was due to meet with the Chief Officer of the Integrated Joint Board for Health and Social Care Moray and would raise this issue on behalf of the Community Council, and would report back.

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11 Planning Matters

REDEVELOPMENT OF TENNANT ARMS: Mrs Linn reported on the Public Hearing that had been held in respect of this development, and advised that she had not found it a good experience. Those making representation against the development were made to feel they were intruding, that the decision had already been made before the meeting, and that they were wasting Councillors' and officers' time. This was supported by others who had also attended. Mr Fitch reported that he had written a letter to the Leader of the Council, Stewart Cree, to express his dissatisfaction. It was agreed that Mrs Linn should write to the Chief Executive of the Council to express the Community Council's concerns over procedures for such Hearings, and to send copies to the Co-Chairs of the Community Engagement Group and the Group Leaders for each of the political parties within the Council.

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Mrs Gill Stewart and Cllr Sean Morton then reported on the open meeting that had been held the previous evening, and which had been attended by over 100 people. They also reported on a subsequent meeting that had been held that afternoon with the developer's agent. The developer has now offered to not demolish the building and to have new plans drawn up. He wishes to work with the community.

Mr Mackie suggested that the Chairs of Innes Community Council, Milne's Area Forum and Lhanbryde Community Challenge should write to the Co-op and also the Government expressing the views of the community. Mr Fitch had attended a meeting as part of the Scottish Government's Planning Review, where the feeling was that

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	Local Authority Planning Officers do not communicate well with communities and this increased the barriers to involvement by the public in planning bathers.
12	Correspondence/Consultations
	All correspondence had been circulated around the Members, and Mr Mackie highlighted particular items of interest.
13	Other Business
	SECRETARY: Mr Mackie advised that he was standing down as Secretary, and proposed Mrs Allan as his replacement. This was seconded by Mrs Speake and unanimously agreed.
	A vote of thanks was recorded for all Mr Mackie's work as Secretary.
14	Next Meeting
	Tuesday 7 th February 2017, at 7.00 p.m. at Lhanbryde Community Centre.