



Keith Community Council

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 8th May 2017 at Keith Community Centre.

1. **Members in attendance** Neil Kidd (Acting Chair), Susan Hutcheon, Fiona Addison, Sandy Dickson and Marguerite Cruickshank

Also in attendance: Shelley Nicol Banffshire Herald and Sandra Clark

Welcome and Apologies: Neil welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Dave Carson and Catherine Sinclair. No new councillors in attendance.

2. **Approval of minutes from last meeting:** The minutes were approved as accurate by Sandy Dickson and seconded by Marguerite Cruickshank
3. **Police Matters:** Community Safety report received by email. No police in attendance. The abandoned car at split the wind has been removed. Drivers are still being seen using mobile phones it has been reported.
4. **Treasurer's Report:**
Keith Community Council £1,386
Christmas Lights £4,967
Scots Toun £3340

5. **Matters arising from the last minutes:**

Manhole Covers: Manhole covers stretching from Moss Street all the way to Fife Keith are sinking into the tar and causing a dirling noise. Some have been dealt with. **ACTION: Sandy to contact BEAR**

Christmas Lights: The two lights on Church Road are still lit up. **ACTION: Sandy will disconnect.**

Blocked drains – Neil will speak to Moray Council about drains that are blocked.

Community Report - Jane Wilson requested the community report be set up on Word document. Catherine discussed this with Jane Martin who advised Police want it left the way it is.

Consultation – A final decision is to be made regarding neighbouring residents attending meetings. KCC replied to say they are in favour of having neighbouring residents.

Street Signs – Fiona reported that some signs have been erected in new housing scheme beside Den Crescent and more may have to be put up.

Road Markings – The road markings where the school crossing is will be painted in the new financial year.

6. **Correspondence:**

Gmail – Members are having problems accessing Gmail.

JCC Meeting – No members are available to go. Moray Men's Shed are to do a presentation at the meeting.

7. Community Councillors' Update:

- **Planning & Licensing. Sunset Takeaway:** Nothing for our area.

Signs, street furniture and marketing. Tesco lights are causing tail backs. Tailbacks as far back as St Rufus Church. **ACTION – SD to deal.** The yellow paint is disappearing from the grid at Banff Road junction and near to Drum Road junction. Nothing been done to the mud at North Church pavement either. Signs for the toilets will cost £80 to be paid out of the Scots Toun account. The disabled sign would have m/f displayed on it.

Marguerite and her daughter were invited to a Scots Language / Doric workshop at Elphinstone Institute at Aberdeen recently to discuss / help create a plan on how best to take the language forward. They also learned that Doric Week is a new initiative to take place annually during the week commencing 8th May encouraging the speaking of Doric in the workplace, schools etc.

- **Roads and rights of way. Ponding at bottom of Mid Street:** Nothing has been done about this yet.

Green Roadies: Catherine has emailed Ken Kennedy about the muddy road.

- **Environment and Cleansing.** No updates

8. External Group Updates:

- **KSRP** – The meeting with the road marking specialists has not been arranged yet.
- **Christmas Lights** – Meeting to be arranged. FA knows someone who may be able to act as Mr Claus at the Christmas Fayre if it goes ahead this year. She will speak to him.
- **Scots Toun** – No update.
- **Keith in Flower** – Big Planter to be situated at bottom of Mid Street. Baskets going up this week. NK to speak to David Ross to see if permission required from North Church. Planting day is at 9am on 28th May at the Bandstand.

9. AOCB: Sandpiper Trust – An email was received asking to give a presentation to members. This will be discussed at next meeting.

Date of next meeting: Monday 5th June at 19:00 in the Community Centre.