

# The Keith Community Council

## Minutes of the Meeting on Monday 06<sup>th</sup> December 2021 (Meeting held via zoom)

**Members in Attendance:** Neil Kidd (Chair), Steve Hickin (Secretary), Marguerite Cruickshank (Treasurer), Amy Inglis, Callum Stuart.

**Others in Attendance:** Cllr Theresa Coull, Cllr Donald Gatt, Cllr Laura Powell, Police Inspector Worton.

### **Welcome Attendees and Apologies for absence:**

Neil Kidd in the Chair opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.

Apologies for non attendance were received from Les Innes, Gary Andrew and Dave Carson.

### **Police Scotland**

Police Scotland Local Area Commander Inspector Graham Worton was in attendance and apologised for the difficulty in attending meetings during the preceding periods of Covid restrictions. He will try and ensure that there is a police presence at our meetings. Inspector Worton intends to have a team starting in Keith on every shift. Neil asked if the Police had received any reports of incidents at St. Rufus Park? Inspector Worton replied that they hadn't received any complaints recently but he had noticed that incidents were being discussed on social media but not reported. CCTV status in Keith: Does not belong to the police it is a local Authority resource but currently has its limitations.

### **Community Council Constitution 2021 – 2025 Adoption**

The Constitution of the 2021 - 2025 Keith Community Council was discussed and no amendments were felt necessary at this time.

Neil Kidd proposed and Marguerite Cruickshank seconded the resolution to adopt the constitution, the adoption of the Constitution was passed unanimously. The secretary will organise the signing of the adopted Constitution in accordance with Covid restrictions.

### **Adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting:**

The minutes of the meeting of November 2021 were approved as Drafted - Proposed by Marguerite Cruickshank, Seconded by Amy Inglis.

### **Matters arising from the previous meetings minutes:**

Ponding at the junction of Mid Street and Church Road (A96): – BEAR had previously advised that this ponding should be resolved by the resurfacing of the A96 through Keith. Community Council members were still receiving complaints that issue was still ongoing. The Secretary has contacted BEAR and is awaiting a reply.

Electric Vehicle Charging points Reidhaven Square: - Cllr Coull advised that Moray council had checked the charging points and found them to be in working order.

Application for a Pedestrian Crossing on the A96 in Keith: - Cllr Coull advised that Transport Scotland had advised her that a Traffic Survey was ongoing.

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Overhanging Bushes and Trees on Seafield Avenue: - At the November meeting Gary Andrew had undertaken to look into this matter but he was not in attendance at the current meeting to provide a report.

Scottish Ambulance Service difficulties in Identifying Defibrillators located in Keith: - Callum advised that there was currently no further updates on this matter and MSP Richard Lockhead had written to the Scottish Ambulance Service on this matter.

Remembrance Sunday: - Neil Kidd reported that he had represented Keith Community Council at this year's Remembrance Day Parade in Keith and laid the wreath.

## **Data Sharing Consent Forms**

The Secretary advised members that they needed to complete these forms in order to authorise the use and sharing of their contact details. The forms should be signed and returned to the Secretary to be held on Community Council records, copies would be sent to the CLO at Moray Council for information purposes.

## **Correspondence**

The Secretary advised that he had circulated various email correspondence to the Community Council members for their attention.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

KCC - £5644.60

Scots Toun - £2591.59

Christmas Lights - £8676.19 – The Treasurer advised that this total included the following donations; £100, £85, £168.24, 100

The Treasurer reported that the Auditor had not yet returned the Community Council Books to her.

## **Elected Members Reports**

Cllr Coull: - Advised there had been a review of the currently closed public toilets in Reidhaven Square to see if it was viable to reopen them. Written Question on the status of CCTV around Moray is being presented to the E,D & I committee on 07<sup>th</sup> December.

Cllr Powell: - Reported she had attended a meeting with the Scottish Shadow Health Secretary regarding the Turner memorial Hospital in Keith.

Cllr Gatt: - reported that he had attended the normal committees, had been briefed on the Moray Growth deal and the Moray Learning Estate proposals which would be presented to the Joint Community Councils of Moray on Thursday 09<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

## **AOCB**

The Secretary presented a list of proposed meeting dates for 2022, there was brief discussion on the date of the May meeting and it was agreed that the May 2022 meeting would be held on Monday 09<sup>th</sup> all other meeting dates were accepted as proposed. It was also agreed that Keith Community Council Meetings would continue to be held via zoom until Covid restrictions allowed a return to 'Face to Face' meetings.

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There being no further business the meeting closed at 19.40hrs.

**Date, Time & Venue of the next Meeting: Monday 07<sup>th</sup> February 2022 at 1900hrs via zoom.  
(There is no meeting of Keith Community Council in January 2022)**

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