

## FINDHORN & KINLOSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes of meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Culbin Room, Kinloss Church, Kinloss.

**Present:** A Skene (Minutes), C Brenton (Chair), M La Tourelle, J O'Hagan, S Dominey, C Shreenan, L Mead

**Attendance:** Cllr Creswell, Cllr Alexander, A Griffin (Kinloss Barracks), and one member of the public.

#### **Item 1 Agenda:**

**1.1 Apologies:** D Anderson, R Hutchinson, Cllr Feaver

**1.2 Declaration of Interest:** To be declared if, or when necessary, during meeting.

#### **Item 2 Public Session:**

**2.1** Community Safety/Police Report/Speeding in the community –The Community Safety Partnership report for March was sent to members of the FKCC.

**2.2** There was one item of public correspondence during the period between meetings. It concerned a complaint about tradesman parking vans on double yellow lines adjacent to the war memorial. A Skene spoke to the contractors about alternative parking and was assured it would not happen again.

#### **Item 3 Ratification of Minutes 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022:**

**3.1** The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as accurate and were proposed by S Dominey and seconded by C Shreenan.

#### **Item 4 Matters Arising:**

**4.1 (2.4)** Some residents may not know some of the newer members of the FKCC. **ACTION: FKCC members to consider having photographs and short biographies publicly available, possibly on a FKCC Facebook Page.** Discussed under 4.6 below.

**4.2 (2.5)** A Skene contacted the Community Council Liaison officer (CCLO) to find out whether members of the public could attend online Community Council meetings. No definitive answer. **It was decided to action again if there is a need to return to Zoom**

**4.3 (4.6)** The post of secretary remains open. **J O'Hagan stepped forward to be relief minute taker and assist with some secretarial duties when necessary.**

**4.4 (4.11)** The Resilience sub-group did not meet in April. **ACTION: C Brenton will liaise with D Anderson to set up a meeting for May.**

**4.5 (14.2)** Email account for the FKCC. **ACTION: L Mead to set up new email account to enable access to all FKCC members. L Mead will action this with support from S Moat.**

**4.6 (14.4)** Facebook page: **ACTION: This will be set up from the new FKCC email by C Brenton and L Mead.** Information about members of the FKCC can be posted.

**9.1** Additional account signatory. **C Brenton agreed to be third signatory.**

#### **Item 5 The Findhorn Village Conservation Company update:**

**5.1** No report. It was noted that the FVCC had sent out a survey to Findhorn village residents to gather data about parking concerns in preparation for the FKCC meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> May when a Moray Council officer will be giving a presentation on the issues affecting parking in Findhorn.

#### **Item 6 Kinloss Barracks Report:**

**6.1** There was a limited report due to the pre-election period. The Jubilee Green Canopy event at the Barracks on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> April went well with 420 trees planted.

**6.2** At this time a small deployment is away but STEM ambassadors from the regiment have visited schools.

**6.3** Beach Steps – no update

**6.4** Recently, ORBEX have been doing some PR activity on site which will be released in the media shortly. Testing of some launch procedures has begun on site but no hot fire engine testing has taken place. This type of testing is scheduled for the coming months (dates tbc) and the communications process previously outlined will be used to provide the required advance notification. FKCC members felt that the community should have known in advance about the recent strong light beams in the sky which caused concern to local residents. There was confusion as it was thought that the strong lights were being produced by military personnel at the Barracks. **ACTION: A Skene to write to ORBEX to request comprehensive information in advance so the local community know what to expect.**

**6.5** Kinloss Community Engagement – 115 people attended the Spring at Kinloss Family Day on 12<sup>th</sup> March and there was a good level of response to the consultation about what was liked and/or missing in the Kinloss community. Results will be collated with other consultations to be held over the summer. Further opportunities are needed to engage older people and Kinloss businesses in the consultation.

**6.6** STEM workshops – two pilot workshops have run four times as part of provision for the Moray Badge for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. 45 children plus parents attended the two workshops which were supported by funding from the FKCC. There is still funding left over from the FKCC to assist with the setting up of a STEM working group which will include an FKCC member.

#### **Item 7 Chairperson's Report:**

**7.1** A Skene reported that the Findhorn Village Quiz had been an enjoyable and successful event. She thanked the members who had participated – S Dominey and C Shreenan.

**7.2** A Skene reported that the hustings on 25<sup>th</sup> April in Forres Town Hall for the forthcoming Moray Council election had been well attended. There are 6 candidates for 4 places and she urged people to remember to vote.

#### **Item 8 Secretary's Report:**

**8.1** J O'Hagan reported that she had applied for road closure for Remembrance Sunday 2022.

#### **Item 9 Treasurer's Report:**

**9.1** C Shreenan reported that the accounts stand at £1,494.46 in the administration account, £1,022.13 in the capital account and there remains £500.00 from the SSE grant. The treasurer awaits a change of address from the bank.

#### **Item 10 JCCM Report:**

**10.1** The next JCCM will be on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (online meeting). Members to let A Skene know if they wish to attend in order to receive the Zoom link.

#### **Item 11 Moray Councillors' Report:**

**11.1** Cllr Creswell reported that she had cleared her desk in preparation for standing down after 11 years but is being kept busy until the end of her term. She reported that this month, she had attended the JMI AGM online, the young people's hustings in the Tolbooth, and all the Forres ward Community Councils. She was pleased with achievements in supporting more people to move into affordable housing and sheltered housing. She intends to work towards getting the Falconer museum re-opened and will do what she can to complete business and tie up loose ends.

**11.2** Cllr Alexander stated that he had been extremely busy completing business before retiring. He flagged up the problems of poor communication between Moray Council departments when it came to solving issues. He also stated that social services are under huge pressure and not enough attention is being given to those in need due to lack of resources. He is looking forward to retirement.

**11.3** A Skene expressed thanks and gratitude to both Cllr Creswell and Cllr Alexander for their exemplary service to the community. She said that they both worked tirelessly for their constituents, always generous with their time, responding to issues and delivering results. All agreed that they would be very much missed and wished them well in their retirement.

### **Item 12 Findhorn Park Eco-village Report:**

**12.1** M La Tourelle stated that she had a background in community development and is keen to extend links between the park and the local area community. She has suggested to the Collaboration Circle that she be co-opted as the link person between the Park and the FKCC.

She is part of a group of 20 collaborating on Homes for Ukraine. There is a very experienced person in the group who can provide expert help for new arrivals from the Ukraine. One Ukrainian refugee has already arrived in the Park and a further family is expected soon.

**12.2** S Dominey reported that she had been elected and appointed to the New Findhorn Association (NFA) Council. She sees herself as a bridge builder in the local area. She encouraged members to check the weekly Rainbow Bridge as it contains a lot of up-to-date information. She highlighted the importance of having a defibrillator at a central point in the village and the need for defibrillator training both in the village and in the Park.

### **Item 13 Planning**

**13.1** 22/00387/APP Erect 1100mm high fence at 10 Fairway Heights, Kinloss

22/00511/APP Erect post & wire fence with gates at Grianan, 6D Fairway Heights, Kinloss

22/00534/APP Erect post & wire fence with gates at 8B Fairway Heights, Kinloss

22/00575/APP Erect 3 holiday lodges, surface water treatment provision, woodland removal and new planting at Kinloss Country Golf Club, Kinloss.

22/00435/APP DIO: vary conditions of roof materials and tree landscaping, Kinloss Barracks

22/00421/APP Erect dwelling house plot 2 Seapark House, Kinloss

22/00606/APP Erect shed at Innesmhor, Findhorn

**13.2** Concerns were raised about the four planning applications at Kinloss Country Golf Course as they incorporated proposals which were a deviation from the masterplan approved by Moray Council. **ACTION: A Skene to write to planning to state the FKCC concerns.**

### **Item 14 Any Other Competent Business:**

**14.1** J O'Hagan informed the CC that a Ukrainian family had arrived in Southside.

She reminded members that recently, a person in Findhorn had been revived with a defibrillator and stressed how important it was to have a defibrillator in each community as well as first responder and defibrillator training. She pointed out that Southside did not have a defibrillator and she and C Brenton would consider how to fundraise to get one. FKCC would consider contributing to funding.

**14.2** M La Tourelle would be happy to step forward to learn about planning and take over that area of responsibility on the FKCC.

**14.3** A Skene reminded everyone that an officer from Moray Council would attend the May FKCC meeting in the JMI to give a presentation in regard to parking issues in Findhorn.

### **Item 15 Forthcoming Community Events:**

**15.1** The following forthcoming events were shared:

- Perricone String Quartet in Universal Hall on 29th April.
- Films, shows and other events at Universal Hall, details of which can be found at: [www.universalhall.co.uk](http://www.universalhall.co.uk)

**Item 16 Date of Next Meeting: 26th May 2022, 7.00pm at James Milne Institute, Findhorn. (Covid-19 restrictions permitting)**