Innes Community Council

Minutes of Meeting held on 7th June 2022

in Garmouth & Kingston Golf Club.

- 1. Present: Sandy Anderson (Chair), Crinan Dunbar (Treas.), David Mackay (Secretary, Peter Finch, Jim Mackie, .
- 2. In attendance: Angus Fettes, Kenny Hemderson, Police Scotland (Two Officers).
- 3. Apologies: Clr. M. Macrae, Toby Christie.
- 4. Council Report: No Councillor present.
- 5. Police Report; Enquiries are continuing into break in at Ferniefield and Urquhart. A warning was given about security of vacant properties as there has been an increase in the theft of scrap metal. Two persons have been charged with an offence at Easter Binns. The subject of Class A drugs being held securely at the main post office was raised, and it was pointed out by the senior officer present that whilst a Warrant had been required in the past, this was no longer necessary. The ICC were advised that there is a roll out of Officers trained to use Tasers, and that trained officers can be called to incidents if so required. The ICC expressed concern at the present lack of Resiliance Plans in the ICC area, and that there appears to be obstructions in place to "firm up" these essential plans.

The ongoing subject of speeding vehicle was discussed, and the availability of officers trained in the use of "Speed Guns".

- Acceptance of Minutes: The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 3rd May 2022 were proposed to be accepted by P. Fitch, seconded by S. Anderson. (Unanimous)
- 7. Matters Arising from Previous minutes: J. Mackie wished to note that neither the Audit Commission nor the Ethics Committee are taking any further action on previous communications from ICC.
- 8. Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer reported that a brief note had been received from Debra Duke (CCLO) regarding the disbursement of funds.
- 9. Correspondence:
 - a.) SCVO are hosting a 'Carbon Free' seminar on 25th June. As are JCC in Elgin Town Hall. (It is noted that Moray is the second worst area in Scotland for fuel poverty).

- 10. Backpacks: (From a previous minute), more information as to contents needed.
- 11. A proposal to send a letter of thanks to Elspeth Spencer-Smith for her excellent piping at the Jubilee Beacon, along with a voucher was approved. With one modification from P. Fitch, she will now receive a copy of DM'S book, Leave it to The Wifies. (!)
- 12. J. Mackie explained to the ICC the need to form a Limited Company without Liability in order to progress the management of the River Spey in the lower reaches. Ideally using the management solution proposed by Dr. Hamish Moir. (Cost estimate one year ago £85,000 + VAT). This plan would be the template for current and future work, using the natural materials available from the River. It is understood that TMC gave to report no credence, but did in fact counter it with an unfounded plan from a local Councillor. Dr. Moir has worked on many river across the world, including successful operations on the Upper Spey.

To this a Memorandum of Articles has been arranged, and checked. The appointment of Directors will be based on either professional knowledge, direct land ownership 9next to the Spey) or flood and reparation experience connected with the Spey.

Mr. Mackie proposed the idea to ICC, C. Dunbar seconded the proposal, and the vote was unanimous.

13. The Secretary proposed to the Chair that as the required time-lapse had passed, two co-opted members could be invited to join ICC. Angus Fettes and Kenny Henderson were nominated. AF was proposed by C.Dunbar, seconded by S. Andarson. K. Henderson was proposed by D.Mackay, seconded by J. Mackie. (Both unanimous) The Chair welcomed both gentlemen to the ICC, and hoped that they would both enjoy and find interest in the ICC.

The Chair Thanked all for attending, and called the next Meeting for the 2nd August 2022, to be held in Lhanbryde Community Centre (TBC) Coffee lounge.

David G. Mackay Secretary