

The Keith Community Council

Minutes from the Meeting of Monday 07th November 2022 @ 19.00hrs

Venue: Keith Golf Club

Members in Attendance: Neil Kidd (Chair), Steve Hickin (Secretary), Callum Stuart, Dave Carson, Amy Inglis, Davie Rough, Dawn Borland

Others in Attendance: Cllr T. Coull, Cllr D. Gatt, Kevin Mitchell, (Keith Fire Station Watch Commander), Rhona Patterson, Peter Kane (Statkraft)

Welcome and Apologies for absence:

The meeting opened at 19.00hrs, Neil Kidd in the Chair welcomed the attendees. Apologies were received from Marguerite Cruickshank (Treasurer), Cllr T. Colyer

Adoption of minutes of the previous meeting:

Amy Inglis advised that the money for the Christmas Lights in the Treasurer's report was incorrect and should be £5563.61 not £55563.61. The Secretary apologised for the typo in the Draft Minutes and corrected it accordingly.

The Minutes of the previous Meeting, (October 2022), were adopted as Drafted, proposed by Dawn Borland seconded by Dave Carson.

Matters arising from the previous meetings minutes

Fallen Wall at Keith Bandstand:

Dave Carson advised that he had been contacted by Colin Bell from Moray Council and was now awaiting further contact to arrange a site meeting.

Parking Issues

Cllr Coull advised she will raise the matter with the Police at the meeting on Thursday.

Keith Fire Station Watch Commander Kevin Mitchell

Kevin advised that the Fire Safety event went well, 35 Teens had attended the presentation on Anti Social Behaviour and Fire Safety.

Peter Kane – from Statkraft

Peter gave a short presentation on the Greener Grid Project and the funding for Net zero projects. The local project needs a nominated contact at the Community Council to liaise on the project. Davie Rough and Callum Stuart volunteered to be the liaison for the project.

Correspondence

Correspondence is circulated to members by email between meetings.

From Moray Council CEO's Office - Moray Council Draft Corporate Plan rescheduled Engagement Session will now take place on Wednesday 16th November at 18.30hrs in Elgin Town Hall.

The National Grid has given notice that they have lodged a Holding Objection regarding the Eccles Battery Storage System project.

In the absence of a Police representative the Chair read through the local Police Community Council report.

Treasurer's Report:

In their absence the Treasurer had provided their report to the Chair, account figures are unchanged from the previous month.

KCC Account: - £5291.14

Christmas Lights: - £5563.61 (Amended)

Scots Toun: - £2570.59

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Reports:

Cllr Gatt:

Attended a briefing on the Town centre improvement plans, had a meeting with the Councils Taxation and Economics Manager. Attended the Education Committee meeting, attended a special full council meeting to discuss forthcoming Budget.

Davie Rough asked if there are any plans to extend Keith Cemetery.

It will be extended at the rear boundary.

Is the Royal Mail moving out of the Post Office Building in Mid Street?

Councillors are not aware.

When are the local road drains cleaned?

There is a periodic survey and drains are cleared accordingly.

External Group Updates:

Christmas Lights – Lights will be put up at the end of the month.

KSRP – A Steering Group meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 09th November.

A premises for the 'Pop up shop' has been identified in Mid Street.

AOCB

Chair Neil Kidd and Davie Carson will represent Keith Community Council and lay the Wreath at the Keith Remembrance Day Ceremony at the War Memorial.

Callum and Amy advised that they had received several applications to be sponsors of the KCC Defibrillators. Callum asked if the KCC general funds can be used to purchase Defibrillator spares. The Secretary will contact the CCLO for advice.

Callum asked the Secretary if a Microgrant report had been produced for last year's funds, the Secretary stated he would contact the recipients for their feedback.

The Secretary reminded everyone that an additional meeting had been scheduled for 09th January 2023 as a replacement meeting for the inquorate meeting in April 2022.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20.54hrs.

Date, Time & Venue of the next Meeting:

Monday 05th December 2022 at 1900hrs in Keith Golf Club