

The Keith Community Council

Minutes from the Meeting of Monday 09th January 2023 @ 19.00hrs

Venue: Keith Community Fire Station

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

Others in Attendance: Cllr T. Coull, Cllr T. Colyer Kevin Mitchell, (Watch Commander Keith Fire Station),

Apologies received from: Marguerite Cruickshank (Treasurer), Cllr D. Gatt, D. Rough, P. Christy

Proposal and adoption of the Minutes of the previous meeting;

The Minutes of the December 2022 meeting were approved and adopted as Drafted; Proposed by D. Borland, seconded by D. Carson.

Matters Arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting;

Collapsing wall adjacent to Keith Bandstand; Dave Carson met with Willie Clark from Moray Council and a the proposed wooden fencing cannot be erected, a further site meeting is TBA.

Dangerous Tree corner of Police Lane; Cllr Gatt confirmed that the work is scheduled for 12th January 2023 and a road closure has been applied for to facilitate the work.

Parking on Turner Street at the junction with Land Street; Cllr Coull advised that she is still awaiting a reply regarding this matter.

Benches removed from Fife Park; Cllr Coull advised she is still awaiting a reply to her enquiry.

Police Matters; The Chair read the relevant section of the Current Police report for the Buckie & Keith district.

Fire Service; Watch Commander Kevin Mitchell gave a report on the recent community activities undertaken by Keith Community Fire station. The 19th December Open Evening at Keith Fire Station was well attended, there was food and available and attendees were given a tour of the Fire Station and were given advice on smoke alarms and fire safety. A further event is planned for March 2023.

On 28th & 29th December the Fire Station Provided a 'Warm Community Space and hot soup was donated by 'Boogie Woogie', a further 'Warm Space' will being considered once the scheme has been assessed.

December was a busy month for the Keith Fire Crews with a total of 25 callouts which included a House fire, two vehicle fires and three RTC's.

Correspondence;

Correspondence is generally forwarded to KCC members by email

The following correspondence was covered:

Moray Young Citizen Awards – Noted

Proposed Aultmore Wind Farm Redesign – Secretary to invite representative to future meeting.

Treasurer's Report; The Treasurer was not present at the meeting, December's figures are repeated below.

Keith Community Council - £4410.80

Christmas Lights – £5563.51

Scots Toun - £2570.59

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Reports;

Cllr Coull – Attended the Christmas Party for Ukranian Families and Hosts at Elgin Baptist Church and the Rotary Carol Service.

Callum Stuart asked if there was any update on the installation of new CCTV in Keith and Cllr Coull advised the new installations throughout Moray were in progress. Amy Inglis raised the matter of the damaged road sign on the A96 outside Keith Bowls Club. Cllr Coull advised that this is the responsibility of the Contractor Amey.

Secretary - invite a representative from Amey to a future meeting.

Sub Groups;

Keith in Flower – D. Carson reported that the purchase of new equipment funded by the grant from the Hill of Towie Community Benefit Fund has been completed.

Christmas Lights – Callum Stuart reported it had been a good year for them, more volunteers had come forward and the good weather for the season had meant less damage and failures to the lights on display.

AOCB;

Community Litter Pick – Will be included on the February meeting agenda.

Callum Stuart advised he will be meeting with the Statkraft fund manager on 25th January 2023.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 21.00hrs

Date, Time & Venue of the next meeting:

Monday 06th February 2023 @ 19.00hrs in the Meeting Room of Keith Community Fire Station