



MINUTES FOR KEITH COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 2nd.MARCH 2009

IN ATTENDANCE

Jane Martin (JM) – Chairperson
Charlie Lawson (CL)
Linda Howitt (LH)
Iain Cattanach (IC)
Margurite Cruickshank (MC)

Lorna Cambell (Banffshire Herald)
Sgt. John Black (JB)
PC. Sinclair
Mr. J. Watt
Diane Halley (Minutes Secretary)

ITEM		ACTION BY
1	<u>Apologies</u> Ron Sheperd, Gary Coull, Stewart Cree, Marianne Mitchell, Esther Green.	
2	<u>Proposal of minutes from 2nd. February</u> Proposed by Iain Cattanach Seconded by Jane Martin	
3	<u>Police Matters</u> LA informed all that Tesco is aware of the problems being created by youths outside the store and are dealing with it. JM enquired about an incident on Station Road that was reported on Saturday night, this is being dealt with. JB went on to say that there are several groups of youths being dealt with at the moment. He also informed that the police have decided to take a more pro-active approach to policing Fife-Keith Square on a Saturday night. JM requested a police dog demo for the school fun day, JB will forward this,	JB

4	<p><u>Presentation by Sgt. Black</u></p> <p>Sgt. Black gave a short, very interesting presentation on the changes being made in the community regarding the policing structure.</p> <p>Because of the response approach that was being used, there seemed to be a lot of breakdown in communication.</p> <p>Although there will still be a response team attending grade 1 and 2 calls all other calls will be dealt with slightly differently.</p> <p>Community policing will now be put into action. Keith and surrounding areas have been split into five Microbeats. Each Microbeat will have 2 allocated officers to deal with all incidents reported in that area. Sgt. Black will have a supervisory role over all areas. Ian Ralston will still be the community beat officer and Donna Jamieson will still be the community warden. JM requested a dog handling demo to be given at the school fun day, Sgt. Black will forward this.</p>	
5	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p><u>Christmas Lights</u></p> <p>JM has passed on cheque to Mr. Duncan for the kind use of his vehicle, and a Sunday afternoon is to be arranged for distributing chocolates and thankyou letters to the residents wwho supplied electricity.</p> <p>An appeal is to be put into the Banffshire Herald for electricians to install the new light boxes.</p> <p>Slabs at Mar Place are to be replaced in April when the new budget starts.</p> <p>Complaint regarding Recycling Centre has been passed on.</p> <p>Bin collection over the festive season is to be discussed by the Economical Development Department.</p>	
<u>6</u>	<p><u>Correspondence</u></p> <p>National Spring Clean Event is taking place in April. JM thought it would be good to join forces with Strathisla CC and get a team together, CL was first to put his name on the list. JM will action this.</p> <p>Survey from NHS to be filled in about smoking, CL will complete this.</p> <p>Moray Council are updating their guidelines regarding affordable housing, JM will read through document and any concerns she will phone all councillors.</p> <p>The Association of Scottish Community Councils are hosting a regional meeting for all Community Councillors in this area. It is at the Laichmoray Hotel on the 21-3-09 at 10.00am. Let JM know if you can attend.</p>	<p>JM</p> <p>CL</p> <p>JM</p>

	<p>Correspondence continued :</p> <p>Bus shelter on Church Road, matter regarding wiring has been looked at and they are not live. CL queried roof – asbestos?</p> <p>John Foster has issued letters to all business premises in the Keith area regarding cigarette ends and litter.</p> <p>Sean Mulligan has given a £50 donation to the Christmas lights.</p> <p>David Rodger from Vattenfall has given a £250 donation to Christmas lights.</p> <p>TMSA has invited the CC to become a Friend of the TMSA, a donation of £30 is requested, this was agreed.</p> <p>Alistair Kennedy JCC is looking into the cost of phoning 0845 numbers.</p> <p>JM will invite the forestry to do a presentation at the next meeting.</p> <p>JM will also request Scottish Water to come and do a presentation.</p>	JM
7	<p><u>Councillors Updates</u></p> <p>IC- has been dealing with a blocked sewage drain at the toilets in the square.</p> <p>JM- has not been receiving planning lists, she will contact Tracey Rae about this.</p> <p>CL- has contacted Bear regarding all issues that have been raised, they have assured him that they are being looked at.</p> <p>MM- Strathisla Pipe Band are holding a quiz night and 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Christmas lights.</p>	

8	<p><u>External Groups Update</u></p> <p>Regeneration Partnership: Are writing a letter to MC regarding the Green School, as it will be surplus to requirements when the new school is built. KCC would like it to be retained for community use.</p> <p>Steering Group: Although their bid was rejected this year by Historic Scotland, it was only minor issues and they will reapply next year.</p> <p>PPP: PIHLMoray Consortium and Babcock&Brown are the final two bidders, and will now submit their final bids.</p>	
	<p><u>AOCB</u></p> <p>JM will write to MC regarding the school being billed for the use of the Tennis Courts after using them for 5 years.</p> <p>GC is also investigating this matter.</p> <p>AOCB continued</p> <p>CL attended the recent JCC meeting, it was thought that it might be a good idea to elect a Young Citizen of the Year, this is to be rolled out in Elgin. More details are available from Tracey Rae.</p> <p>There may be a slight change made to community boundaries. Rhona Paterson has suggested that the Den area be classed as KCC instead of Strathisla CC.</p>	
10	<p><u>Date of Next Meeting</u></p> <p>The next meeting will take place on Monday the 6th.April 2009, at 7.00pm, in the circular room at Keith Community Centre.</p>	
	<p><u>Proposal of Minutes</u></p> <p>Chairperson</p> <p>Minutes Proposed by</p> <p>Seconded by</p>	
	<p>Prepared by Mrs. Diane Halley</p>	

