

**Minutes of Meeting of the City and Royal Burgh of Elgin Community Council
Tuesday 10th August 2010 at 7.00pm in the Moray Council Chambers**

1. Present

Members:	Alastair Kennedy (Chairman) Alex Macmillan (Secretary) George P Littlejohn Wilma Milne Harry Torry	Bryan Watson (Vice Chair) Anne Glover Kathleen Masson Pat Paterson Laura Keil (Youth Member)
In Attendance:	Cllr Divers Cllr Leadbitter Inspector Colin Mowat Kieron Green Richard Donald and John Carney – Integrated Children’s Service Plan and the Moray Youth Justice Plan for duration of Item 2	Cllr Jarvis Cllr Russell PC Jamie Macmillan Mary Dow (Minutes)
Apologies	Steven Milne (Treasurer) Mary Wall Cllr Sharp	Murray Ross Michael Gates (Youth Member) Denise Gormley

ITEM NO	ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
2.	<p>Guest Speakers</p> <p>Alastair Kennedy welcomed all to the meeting and introduced the guest speakers for the evening.</p> <p>Richard Donald spoke about the Single Outcome Agreement between Government and Community Planning Partnerships; full details at Attachment 1. Richard also gave details of the Integrated Children’s Service Plan for 2010/2012 and suggested that should members have any questions regarding the document to either contact himself or the Local Integrated Officer, Iain Macdonald.</p> <p>John Carney advised that the Moray Youth Justice Plan was a multi-agency partnership consisting of Grampian Police, Social Work, Children’s Reporter, Children’s Panel, Education, Health and the Voluntary sector to address youth offending in Moray. John Carney stated that youth offending in Moray had reduced by 50% over the past four years and that the external evaluation of the plan carried out in 2009 stated that youth crime continues to reduce in Moray at a quicker rate than surrounding Grampian areas.</p> <p>John Carney advised that the Youth Strategy Group were keen to establish whether members of the local community felt that youth crime/disorder matched the general figures from Grampian Police.</p> <p>The Chairman advised that the C&RBoECC had two youth members who were in the process of forming a Committee and felt that they could feed in and address this issue when established.</p> <p>Members were given the opportunity to ask questions:</p> <p>Q. Is this a Scotland wide initiative or just Moray?</p> <p>A. This is a national expectation that all local authorities have an Integrated Children’s Service Plan, although authorities have a</p>	

	<p>slightly different approach based on local issues.</p> <p>Q. Will the current economic climate have an impact on further developments of the plan?</p> <p>A. Cannot ignore national picture, the Local Integrated Officer is looking at ways of maintaining the same level of service in a more effective and efficient way.</p> <p>Q. What is the lower age at which you start the Integrated Children's Plan? It seems that children are getting cheekier younger and is there any trend to offending starting younger?</p> <p>A. Pre-birth. Children do not just develop into the antisocial and cheeky culture, we are quite frequently able to identify children potentially at risk before they are born and with integrated working a lot of children at risk of getting into trouble are identified before they are born and the support will be in place at that time.</p> <p>Q. Could members of the Community Council help in anyway?</p> <p>Children's Panel – an advertisement will be released shortly and interviews will be taking place in October 2010.</p> <p>Moray Voluntary Service Organisation will have knowledge of all voluntary opportunities within Moray.</p> <p>Youth Café are often looking for volunteers.</p> <p>Richard suggested using the expertise of the Community Council to feed into the next Children's Integrated Service Plan. He agreed to arrange for the Local Integrated Support Officer, Iain Macdonald to contact the Community Council for input into the next Plan.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Richard and John for their presentations.</p>	RD
3.	Apologies were received and noted.	
4.	<p>Minutes of Meeting held on 13th July 2010</p> <p>Proposed: Harry Torry Seconded: Anne Glover</p> <p>The Chairman was saddened to hear of the sudden death of Donald McIntosh, a previous member of the C&RBoECC and wished to send the Community Councils sympathies to his family. Harry Torry advised that the funeral was due to take place at 12.45 on 12th August 2010 at Watson's.</p>	
5. 6b	<p>Matters Arising from 13th July 2010</p> <p><u>Mosaic on Plainstones.</u> Anne Glover advised that following information received from Denise Gormley regarding grant sources, letters had been written to various firms requesting help with funding for the much needed repairs to the mosaic. Anne Glover to forward photo's of the original mosaic with the letters. Ongoing</p>	AG / DG
6b	<p><u>Stagecoach.</u> Pat Patterson advised that she had visited Stagecoach and that new timetables were currently being drawn-up. Ongoing.</p>	PP

12b	Investigation into steps leading to Tesco's from crossing. Ongoing.	AG
12f	<u>Identification for Community Councillors.</u> The Chairman thanked Murray Ross for e-mailing a template of the identification used by the C&RBoECC R&T Committee. It was suggested that the photos be taken with the same background. It was agreed to take forward on Denise Gormley's return from holiday.	AG/DG
6a	<u>Sainbury's Planning Application.</u> The Chairman advised that a representative from Sainsbury's has agreed to meet with the Community Council to discuss their planning application on 9 th September 2010 at 7.00pm in the Council Chambers. This meeting is also open to members of the public. Kieron Green advised that the Elgin South Area Forum had arranged a similar meeting to take place on 21 st September 2010 and had invited members from the Elgin North Area Forum.	ALL
11a	<u>Coach Drivers' Year Book entry.</u> Alex Macmillan advised that the C&RBoECC's entry had been accepted.	
11h	<u>Moray Motorcycle Club.</u> The Chairman asked for members' views on the recent communication received from the Grampian Motor Cycle Club. Following a lengthy discussion, it was agreed for the Chairman to write to the Grampian Motor Cycle Club advising that the C&RBoECC support them in general terms and establish what support is required.	AK
6.	Police Business and National Security Update Inspector Mowat advised that it had been a relatively quiet month. Anne Glover raised concerns at the increase in the number of skateboards and bikes being used on the Plainstones. Alex Macmillan pointed out that the Community Council raised this issue many years ago and believed that once the skate park had been erected the Council were to consider the introduction of a Bye-law prohibiting this on the Plainstones. George Littlejohn asked when the railings around St. Giles church were to be erected. The Chairman stated that he believed that planning permission had been granted. Inspector Mowat agreed to pass comments onto Officers and appropriate action would be taken. George Littlejohn asked how many Police Officers were called upon and what was the response time during the Lesmurdie Road incident. He also asked if the local Police force was satisfied with their involvement overall. Inspector Mowat advised that the initial Police unit had attended very quickly and following their risk assessment a number of resources were called upon locally and out with Moray. Inspector Mowat advised that he was happy with the response and overall result of the enquiry and commended the community and other agencies for their part. With no further comments or questions Inspector Mowat and PC Jamie Macmillan left the meeting at 8.00pm.	CM

<p>7.</p> <p>a.</p>	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Planning. Bryan Watson advised that the Sainsbury's planning application was ongoing and he was carrying out research regarding flooding and crossings etc.</p> <p>Bryan Watson reported that he had no concerns regarding the application to combine Vodafone and O2 on the same transmitter based at Glenmoray Drive.</p>	<p>BW</p>
<p>b.</p>	<p>Recreation & Leisure <u>Mosaic on Plainstones.</u> Ongoing.</p>	<p>AG</p>
<p>c.</p>	<p>Environment <u>Shop Greenery.</u> Anne Glover advised that some letters had been sent to shop owners regarding removal of greenery from gutters and the Environment Committee were awaiting replies.</p> <p>Anne Glover advised that the R&L Committee and Environment Committee were currently working together.</p>	<p>AG</p>
<p>d.</p>	<p>Roads & Transportation.</p> <p>In view of Murray Ross being unable to attend the meeting, George Littlejohn updated those present.</p> <p><u>Lossie Green & Lossie Wynd car parking charges.</u> A receipt of letter sent to Alistair Keddie, Chief Executive, Moray Council has been received. Ongoing.</p> <p><u>Road Markings on the roads within the City of Elgin.</u> A receipt of the letter sent to Alexander Ritchie, Moray Council has been received but no response has yet been received from Ralph Newlands of Bear Scotland regarding the road markings on the A96 through Elgin. Ongoing.</p> <p>An update from James Smith (Engineer Traffic), Moray Council was received on 31st July 2010 outlining work on white lines on present budget. Murray Ross contacted James Smith and was advised that the maintenance team are working all over Moray and should cover a good number of roads on this years budget, although next year's budget may be a different story.</p> <p><u>Speed limit on B9012 Duffus Road.</u> Murray Ross spoke with Kevin Price, Moray Council Roads Department on 5th August 2010 regarding the alteration of speed on Duffus Road and the R&T Committee's objection to this increase. Mr Price advised that three Moray Councillors have now withdrawn their objection following a site visit and explanation of an alteration to the bend coming into the proposed 40mph. Murray Ross informed Mr Price that the R&T Committee's objection still stands. Mr Price also explained that the 40mph is in line with new guidelines from Transport Scotland for this road, a 40mph can come about where the development skirts one side of the road. Murray Ross requested details of the average speed figures for this stretch of the road to date and was advised 37mph, this being on an existing 30mph. The new deadline for objections has now been extended to October 2010. Murray Ross proposes that the C&RBoECC R&T Committee stand firm with their</p>	<p>MR/GL</p> <p>MR/GL</p> <p>MR/GL</p>

	<p>objections as previously stated. This was agreed by all members present.</p> <p><u>Beautification Scheme.</u> Murray Ross has arranged with the Springfield gardener for the two planters on the A941 South, entering and exiting the City to be shaped and winter pansies planted before the end of the year, and then continue to plant in Spring and Winter.</p>	
e.	<p>Youth. Update at next meeting.</p>	MG/LK/AK/DG
8.	<p>Community Planning <u>Elgin North Area Forum</u></p> <p>Kieron Green (Chair of Elgin North Area Forum) was present to give an update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to a number of issues raised regarding the construction of the new Academy, an Open Meeting is to be held with the Contractors on 31st August 2010 at 6.00pm at the Academy. Alex Macmillan suggested the Northern Scot publicise the meeting. <p><u>Elgin South Area Forum</u></p> <p>Cllr Divers advised that the next meeting was due to take place on Tuesday 17th August 2010 with Guest Speakers from Grampian Police and the Fire & Rescue Service.</p> <p>The Chairman advised that Alan Bell has resigned from the Community Council and would no longer be attending the Elgin South Area Forum.</p> <p>Cllr Divers advised that at the last meeting issues were raised which were deemed to be Community Council issues. The Chairman agreed to speak to Linda Adams regarding these.</p>	AK
9.	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Alex Macmillan gave an update as follows: No.1 account = £1,205.01 No. 2 account = £3,971.10 – The invoice from Moray Council for the planting of the A96 planter at Eight Acres has been paid.</p> <p>As previously agreed, the Treasurer to forward spreadsheet prior to meetings in future.</p>	SM
10.	<p>Elgin Ear</p> <p>Alex Macmillan advised that Listening Posts had been established at Tesco's, Youth Café, Library, Community Centre, CJs Plaice, Buccaneer Garage and the Linkwood Medical Centre. However, Asda do not have enough room for a Listening Post at their Customer Service desk.</p> <p>Progress:</p> <p>002: Flashing 20mph signs on Morrison Road by the Academy. Are these signs legally binding under the Road Traffic Act or are they just advisory? – Awaiting response from Inspector Scott Mann.</p>	Ongoing

	<p>investigation.</p> <p>Alex Macmillan advised that the 28 day follow up procedure is being followed and this will be discussed at the Elgin Ear Steering Group meeting.</p> <p>Alex Macmillan advised that publicity is planned for early September, involving the Police and Schools.</p>	
11.	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>The following correspondence was presented and members were invited to read the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Letter dated 26th July 2010 to Moray Council Traffic Department from Roads & Transportation Committee re. Speed limit alterations on Duffus Road. b) Letter dated 27th July 2010 to Moray Council Head of Direct Services from Roads & Transportation Committee re. Road markings in City. c) Letter dated 4th August 2010 to Moray Council Chief Executive re. Pay & Display at Lossie Wynd and Lossie Green Car Parks. d) Letter dated 4th August 2010 to Bear Scotland from Roads and Transportation Committee re. Road markings on A96. e) Supplementary letter from Tyco Electronics dated 3rd August 2010 re. 02 Mast at Glen Moray Drive – for Planning Committee. f) Letter dated 14th July 2010 from NHS Grampian seeking Non-Executive Board recruitment. g) Letter dated 16th July 2010 from John Ferguson re. Community Support worker informal interviews. h) Booklets from BBC re. Scotland's Audience Council Review and Management Review 2010. i) The Tenants' Voice – Summer 2010. j) Crown Estate Scotland 2010 Report. 	
12.	<p>A.O.C.B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Kathleen Masson raised concerns regarding overhanging foliage from walls and asked who was responsible as she felt it needed addressing as it was hazardous, in particularly for people with visual impairment. <p>Cllr Russell advised that the Roads Department should be contacted. Recreation and Leisure committee agreed to take forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b) Following a request from George Littlejohn regarding progress on the erection of railings at the St. Giles Church, the Chairman agreed to gain an update. c) The Chairman advised that he had been approached by an elderly lady at the Elgin North Area Forum to help with clearing of her path. The Chairman agreed to forward details to George Littlejohn for progression. d) Bryan Watson advised that he had been approached by two residents of Springfield regarding a blocked drain. He had contacted Moray Council who advised that the particular drain in question was not their responsibility. It was agreed for Bryan Watson to progress e) 	<p>AG/KM</p> <p>AK</p> <p>GL</p> <p>BW</p>

<p>f)</p> <p>g)</p> <p>h)</p>	<p>with Springfield.</p> <p>Harry Torry reported that on Saturday 7th August 2010 he had noticed a drain overflowing in Morriston playing fields sewage. He contacted Scottish Water who advised that they needed a postcode in order to help. Harry Torry did not feel this was acceptable and suggested the C&RBoECC write to Scottish Water highlighting the difficulty in contacting their emergency service and the insistence of a postcode.</p> <p>Harry Torry to e-mail full details to the Chairman who agreed to write to Scottish Water raising these concerns.</p> <p>Alex Macmillan asked members if they could pass any comments regarding the recent consultation document on Permitted Development Rights for Microgeneration Equipment on Non-Domestic Properties.</p> <p>Alex Macmillan informed members of a telephone scam whereby the caller advises that he is a representative of BT and states that there is an unpaid bill and unless payment is received immediately he would disconnect the phone and it would cost £118 to re-connect at a later date. When challenged, the caller gave a phone number of 0800 152 0800 0800 152 and offered to demonstrate that he was from BT by asking the receiver to hang up and try using the phone and he would disconnect the phone to prevent this. He did this by using the mute button, the phone had no engaged tone until he phoned again. The caller then asked for credit card details. The receiver of the call did not give out bank details and advised that they would not pay him and didn't believe he worked for BT. He subsequently hung up. The receiver of the call contacted the Police to inform them and was advised that they had received other calls regarding this and it was escalating. Their advice was to inform as many people as possible of the scam.</p>	<p>HT/AK</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
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Date and Time of Next Meeting.

Tuesday 14th September 2010 at 7.00pm.

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These Minutes were Adopted as a True Record of Proceedings:

Proposer:

Seconder:

Chairman:
Mr Alastair Kennedy

Date:

Attachment 1
To Minutes
Dated 10th August 2010

▪ **Single Outcome Agreement between Government and Community Planning Partnerships**

Five Strategic Objectives each of which is replicated locally through Theme Groups:

Wealthier and Fairer

Healthier

Safer and Stronger

Greener

Smarter [*to expand opportunities for people to succeed from nurture through to life long learning, ensuring higher and more widely shared achievements*]

▪ **15 National Outcomes relating to each of the Theme Groups/Strategic Objectives**
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/scotPerforms/outcomes>

o Smarter- Outcomes

- Better educated, more skilled and successful renowned for research and innovation
- Successful Learners, confident individuals, effective contributors, responsible citizens
- Our children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed.
- We have improved the life chances for children, young people and families at risk

o SMARTER Objective

- Prepare and review the ICSP

▪ **45 National Indicators**

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/About/scotPerforms/indicators>

- o Child Protection inspection finding: increase the overall proportion of Local Authority areas receiving positive inspection reports.
- o Increase the proportion of school leavers (from Scottish publicly funded schools) in positive and sustained destinations (FE, HE, employment or training)
- o Increase the proportion of schools receiving positive inspection reports
- o Increase the proportion of pre-school centres receiving positive inspection reports
- o *Increase the percentage of adults who rate their neighbourhood as a good place to live [why included here?]*

▪ **Single Outcome Agreement for Moray Community Planning Partnership**
<http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file59128.pdf>

- o Low wages
- o Employment Opportunities
- o Transport Infrastructure

- o Alcohol
- o Elderly
- o Young and Drink Drivers
- o Affordable Housing
- o Flood Alleviation
- o Impact of Drugs
- o Anti-social Behaviour

Elgin Locality Management Groups supported by **Local Integration Support Officer**

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- Schools
- Social Work
- Community Learning
- Police
- Health

Take the Moray Plan [<http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file59128.pdf>] and create local targets for children/young people.

Plans must include

- Child protection
- Local Integrated Assessment Planning [GIRFEC]
- More Choices More Chances
- Parenting
- Transition

Provide an outline of

- Actions
- Outcome
- Evidence
- Timescale
- Lead agency