Innes Community Council

Notes of the meeting of Innes Community Council held on Tuesday 4^{th} June 2013 in Garmouth Village Hall, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Sandy Anderson Chair

James Mackie

Anita Milne Secretary

Anne Speake

John Third Treasurer

In Attendance: Cllr Margo Howe

Cllr Douglas Ross

PC Stuart Dick Police Scotland

Sarah Nicholson

Mike Reid Lennox Community Council

Apologies: Lansana Bangura

David Mackay Cllr Sean Morton

Number	Discussion	Action
	Welcome	
	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
1	Police Report	
	The police report for the Fochabers policing area was presented to the meeting. During the period 1 st to 24 th May a total of 18 crimes had been reported, relating to housebreaking, assault, drug offences, road traffic offences and anti-social behaviour offences.	
	To date the offenders have been identified in 9 of these crimes and have been reported or warned.	
	Overnight on 30 April 2013 into 1 May 2013 a break in occurred to some portacabins on Beaufighter Road, Upper Dallachy, and property stolen from within. Reports were received of a blue transit type van having been seen in the area before this time. Enquiries are continuing into this crime.	
	Further opportunist type thefts have been reported in the Urquhart and Fochabers areas. Any suspicious persons or vehicles seen should be reported to Police Scotland on the 101 number.	

On 15 May 2013 officers from the Moray Proactive unit executed a Drug Search Warrant at an address in Lhanbryde. A quantity of controlled drugs was recovered and a male was arrested and appeared at Elgin Sheriff Court in relation to drug dealing offences. These types of enquiries cannot be progressed without the assistance of the public and the police would appeal for anyone who has any suspicions about drug dealing activities to report them to the Local Policing Team.

Anyone with any information on the crimes mentioned above and any crimes in the Fochabers Policing Area should contact Police Scotland on 101, Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or call in person at the Fochabers Police Office.

Jim Mackie advised that he has reported incidents of Land Rovers being driven on the beach coming from both the Kingston and Inchberry directions.

It was also mentioned that 3 or 4 high performance vehicles have been travelling through Kingston at speed at around 3.00 a.m. going towards the Lein.

PC Dick left the meeting.

2 <u>Public Submissions</u>

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There were no public submissions.

Moray Councillors' Reports

Cllr Douglas Ross reported that the Moray Local Plan – Main Issues Report would be discussed on Thursday 6 June, and he outlined the changes affecting the Innes Community Council area.

In respect of the Brown Muir Windfarm planning application the Moray Council are still objecting to the proposed development so the next step will be a public inquiry.

This ended the public session of the meeting.

Community Council Session

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th May 2013

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th May 2013, having been previously circulated, were agreed as a correct record. Proposed by Jim Mackie and

	seconded by Anne Speake.	
2	Matters Arising:	
2a	Emergency Planning	
	Jim Mackie, reporting on behalf of the Kingston Beach Sub Group, advised that he was to write to Steven Cooper of the Moray Council agreeing to the Council's proposal for the work on Cadgers Road. Councillor Ross advised that a swing barrier will be placed on the road to stop it becoming a "rat run", but it will be necessary to rely on the local residents closing it to stop this happening. All residents will be written to. He further advised that the upgrading work will be a one-off item of capital work and will be funded by the Council with a contribution from	JM
	the Crown Estates.	
2b	Moray Rural Bus	
	It was reported that the former Secretary had written to the local MSP concerning the reduction in the subsidy by Moray Council for bus services. Richard Lochhead had forwarded the letter to the Transport Minister and the Chief Executive of Moray Council, and responses were awaited from both.	
2c	Kingston – Beach Road – Drainage	
	No update. Keep on agenda.	Agenda
2d	Spey Bridge	
	Jim Mackie reported on behalf of Lansana Bangura that a further letter had been written to ScotsTran, but to date nothing had happened.	
2e	NHS Grampian	
	Anne Speake reported on the responses she had received in respect of her letter concerning care for children with arthritis. Other responses were still awaited including from Richard Carey of NHS Grampian. She had received a very supportive response from Mary Scanlon, MSP, but a less than helpful one from the local MSP. As things stand it looks like there could be no service north of Perth.	

2f Website

John Third reported that he was continuing to do the work on the website, and proposed the item be removed from the agenda.

He agreed to look at establishing a generic e-mail address which could be accessed by the members.

2g <u>Mosstodloch Roadworks</u>

The work should be completed this week. Councillor Ross reported that the Head of Transport Scotland is due to visit on 6th June. The quality of the material used meets the Council's specification, but not the way it had been laid. There are still some problems and the work has been questionable. These issues will be raised on 6th June.

3 Brown Muir

The Chair reported on the Open Meeting held on this subject. Only those who wished to object attended, but were complimentary about the work being undertaken by the Community Council in giving the community the opportunity to air their views. It was noted that in all over 2000 objections had been made to the application.

As noted earlier the Moray Council is still against the proposed development, and a report will be submitted to Committee next Tuesday 11th June.

Kingston Beach

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Jim Mackie reported on behalf of the Sub Group. Scottish Natural Heritage has been asked for advice, although in the past their advice has not always been accurate. A report had been received from the Geographic Information Centre, University of Liverpool, and a copy had been passed to Councillor Ross. Jim had also undertaken research on the Admiralty charts on tidal flows from both east and west of Kingston.

In respect of the River Spey it was a question of getting the fishing and environmental organisations together to consider proposals and the possibility of making an application for EU funding. Lennox Community Council was in agreement to a joint meeting.

Another meeting of the Sub Group would be arranged. This would be coordinated by Jim Mackie

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5 **Community Safety** Nothing to report. 6 **Community Council Elections** Draft publicity material was being prepared for the up-coming Community Council elections by a Sub Group of the Joint Community Council. 7 Joint Community Council – Meeting on 5th May 2013 Jim Mackie reported that he had requested support from the Joint Community Council on the question of disabled parking in Elgin. It had been agreed that the matter would be raised with Richard Hartland of the Moray Council. 8 Treasurer's Report John Third advised that the position was as reported to the last meeting. There had been some problems in getting the bank mandate forms processed with the change of Treasurer. In respect of the audit of the accounts, the Treasurer of Lhanbryde Community Challenge, William Windwick, had agreed to undertake this. 9 Correspondence In addition to the correspondence that had been circulated a letter had been received by the Chair from Councillor Ross concerning a training and information event regarding planning applications for wind turbines. The event was to be held on 12th September at Inchberry Hall from 7.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. Each Community Council had been invited to send two representatives. It was agreed that the Chair and Jim Mackie would represent Innes Community Council. The Secretary would notify Gary SA/JM/AM Templeton at the Moray Council. 10 Other Business Community Asset Transfer - Jim Mackie raised an issue on behalf of Lansana Bangura. The local Muslim Community had been trying to

negotiate a community asset transfer with the Moray Council but were getting nowhere, and felt that racial issues were involved. Councillor Ross was concerned that they had got this impression and suggested that they contact the Council's Lead Officer, Jane Mackie, to raise their

concerns directly with her. Jim Mackie would report this back to Lansana.

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Next Meeting	
6 th August 2013 at 7.00 p.m. at Garmouth Village Hall.	

