

Innes Community council

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday December 3rd 2013

Lhanbryde Community Centre.

Community Councillors Present: Sandy Anderson Chair,

Peter Bush act Secretary. James Mackie, John Fettes, Peter Gordon Smith, Winifred Linn Liz Bodman, Anne Speake.

In Attendance. Pc Rob Kerr, Margo Howe TMC, Douglas Ross TMC. Tracey Rae CCLO MC and Michael Reid, Lennox Community Council.

Apologies Mark McClelland-Jones, Lansana Bangura.

Sandy opened the meeting welcoming everyone to the meeting.

1. Police report.

Period 26th October 2023 to 21st November 2013, this report has been circulated by the secretary..

There had been a total of 23 crimes were recorded in the Fochabers Policing section..

To date the offenders have been identified in 13 of the crimes. Of the remaining 10 crimes, 6 have been positive lines of enquiry.

Reports have been received of sneak in type thefts where the perpetrators have entered via insecure doors and property stolen from within.

This serves as a reminder to secure your property at all times even when you are within your address.

Anyone with any information on the crimes above or any crimes in the Fochabers Policing Area should contact Police Scotland on 101, crime stoppers on 0800 555 111, or call in person at the Fochabers Police Station.

FARMWATCH

At the last meeting of the Community Council queries were raised regarding Farm Watch in the local area. There is currently no Farm Watch in the Moray area, however there is nothing to stop local farmers organising one, Please contact the National Farmers Union 01463 794 474. Who can assist in setting this up.

Sergeant Bruce has spoken with the Crime Prevention Officer for the Moray area, and Farm Watch is one item being looked at by the Police and NFU.

Speeding in Garmouth

The issue of speeding motor vehicles was raised . Sergeant Bruce is aware of the problem and is looking into the Matter. There will be a local initiative a winter safety campaign and this issue will be incorporated into this.

Sergeant Bruce will report back on this in due course.

PARKING PROBLEMS IN LHANBRYDE

The issue surrounding inconsiderate parking continues to be a problem.

There are restrictions governing the parking in the bus stop area at that location. A number of persons have been warned regarding this, however it is an endless task and people will continue to park in this area, when there are no Police officers in the area.

It is felt that markings are not very adequate and they should be re-done to emphasise the area. Signage may also prevent some people from parking in the area and this is an issue which can be raised with the Council.

Councillor Ross said he would raise the matter with the Roads department.

Anne Speake raised an issue about the speed signs coming into Mosstodloch along the Garmouth road, the first one says 30 the next one along says 40.

Pc Kerr said this is a matter for the Council, which he would raise.

Councillor Ross also said he would raise the matter.

2. Public Submissions.

None

3. Moray Councillors Reports.

Douglas Ross reported that the Moray plan was being discussed this week.

Councillor Howe presented a letter for Jim Mackie regarding road markings in Kingston, The secretary read the letter out and passed it to Jim. Anne Speake raised the subject of costs for events being held at the Town Hall.

Anne thought there was just the one cost but was quoted for extras.

Douglas Ross said he would look into this.

4. Community Council Session.

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Peter Gordon Smith wanted some alterations to the minutes. The secretary noted and would confer with Peter after the meeting.

Proposed with alterations.

John Fettes

Seconded Win Linn.

Margo Howe left the meeting as she had another meeting to attend

5. Matters Arising.

Youth representation

The secretary informed the meeting that he had written to Ness Smith regarding her daughter becoming a Youth member of the Community Council. He had not received any response to date.

Jim said that he had spoken to the Girl and her parents and they agreed that the girl would like to be youth representative. It was arranged that Mark would convey the youth representative to the meetings.

Co-option of Peter Bush

Peter Bush had received a confirmation Letter from Tracey.

6. Items for Discussion.

a) Consultation on Community Empowerment.

The meeting had received the document from the secretary.

b) Brown Muir Proposal of Application Notice.

The meeting agreed that Mosstodloch should be one of the Exhibition centres as Mosstodloch had the bigger population than Inchberry. The secretary to write to Meg Deasley regarding this matter. Jim Mackie suggested that we should ask other organisations their thoughts and invite them to an ICC meeting

c) Kingston Beach. Do we need to change the name?

This matter was moved to AOB.

d) Future role of the Innes Community Council.

The acting secretary raised the point that the Community Council should play a major role within the community, and highlighted a Video that had been circulated about a Community council which had organised volunteers to act and play a role in emergency situations.

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7. Planning issues.

Liz circulated plans that were cause for concern, 13/02126/APP. Darklands at present there are 4 objections/comments. It was agreed that Liz should take the matter up. Douglas Ross said he would look into the matter.

8. JCC reports.

Tracey gave a report on the November's meeting, she said that one of the items under discussion was the role of the JCC within the Moray Council, it had been suggested that the tsiMoray should represent the JCC.

Tracey said that a big discussion on this matter had taken place on Facebook and it had been decided to contact all Community Councils views on this matter.

The secretary raised the question of the large number of Innes community Councillors (5) who had attended the JCC meeting.

Tracey said it had been noted, but as it was the first JCC meeting after the election and all the Community Councils were invited to attend the meeting to see how the JCC worked. Jim said He and Sandy attended the meeting as observers.

9. Treasurers Report.

There was no Treasurers report this month.

10. Correspondence

The secretary had circulated Correspondence.

The two outstanding ones were read and referred to file.

11. AOCB.

John Fettes passed a letter from the Garmouth and Kingston Amenities asking if the ICC could help by providing funds for Christmas lights in Kingston. After a general discussion the decision was that the grant allocated to ICC was for administration purposes only, but if the G&K Amenities would like help in

raising the funds the ICC would be more than willing to help. Secretary to reply.

- a) Closure of Libraries .This matter had been overtaken by events.
- b) Closure of Front offices at Police stations. This has been overtaken by events.
- c) Policy of ICC regarding Community Benefits. This will be placed on the next month's agenda.
- d) Policy of ICC regarding flooding and erosion issues within Garmouth and Kingston and other areas that suffers from flooding (irrespective of how large) within the ICC area.

Jim asked this matter to be discussed within the private session as this had a bearing on matters being discussed there. The secretary did state that the matter had been listed under AOB at Jim's request. Jim insisted he wanted to move it. The matter was moved to the private session.

- e) The purchase by the ICC of a projector for use by the ICC during both monthly meetings and any public meeting called. The secretary referred to the Minutes of April 2nd 2013 item 6. The ICC still had the use of a projector that can be hired from the Lhanbryde Challenge for a small fee. After a short discussion the purchase of a projector was refused.
- f) Michael Reid, representing Lennox Community Council said the LCC would work with the ICC on help with the Bridge that crosses the River Spey at Garmouth. This was noted and a thank you was given. Michael said that Lennox had not received and minutes from the ICC, the secretary would make sure Lennox would receive the minutes in future.

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Chairman

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Secretary

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