

# The City & Royal Burgh of Elgin Community Council

Held in Moray Council Chambers on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.00pm

1.	<b><u>Sederunt and Apologies.</u></b> (* Associate, ** Youth)	<b>ACTION</b>
a.	<p><b><u>MEMBERS</u></b></p> <p>Alastair KENNEDY(Chair), Gordon METHVEN(Sec'), Bryan WATSON(Vice Chair),            Steven CHRISTIE, David CHAPMAN*, Ann GLOVER,            Donnie MacLEAN, Pat PATERSON, Mary WALL,            Eddie WALLACE, Gordie WELLS, Jim WISEMAN (Minutes).</p> <p><b><u>IN ATTENDANCE:</u></b></p> <p>Cllr John Divers, Cllr Patsy GOWANS, Cllr Kirsty REID,            Cllr Mike SHAND, Andrew MACKIE (Community Warden),            Grant McCUTCHEON (Police Scotland), Maureen MANSON, John CALDER (KCR),            Alistair ROBERTSON (Moray Council), Ian CATTO, Oliver BAYLIS,            Hazel LAWSON (Northern Scot),</p> <p><b><u>APPOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>Krystian KACZALA (Stagecoach), Cllr James ALLAN, Cllr Graham LEADBITTER,            Andrew GRAY, Steven MILNE,</p> <p><b><u>WELCOME</u></b></p> <p>Alastair Kennedy welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>	
c.	<b><u>SPEAKER – John Calder – Keith Community Radio (KCR)</u></b>	
	John Calder explained that KCR now have their own frequency which is 107.7 FM and serve much of Moray. In partnership with the JCC, he is looking to include interviews with Community Councillors in their Moray Matters programme.	
d.	<p><b><u>SPEAKER – Alistair Robertson – Moray Health and Social Care Integration</u></b></p> <p>Alistair Robertson explained the background to the creation of the Joint Integrated Board and the aspiration for the people of Moray to lead independent fulfilling lives in active inclusive communities where everyone is included and respected. He explained the outcome of the recent review and in response to questions indicated the value of participatory budgeting in bringing democracy to the funding process, the value of Planning for Real in modelling communities and the value of the third sector and volunteers to the healing process. There was much interest in whether or not it would be possible to access Highland facilities in Inverness rather than Grampian facilities in Aberdeen with many examples of situations where such arrangements would be beneficial.</p>	
2.	<p><b><u>PREVIOUS MINUTES 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014</u></b></p> <p>The minutes were proposed by Steven Christie and seconded by Eddie Wallace with no objections.</p>	
3.	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING.</u></b></p> <p>a. Page 1 item 3a – REAP, Elgin Scheme. – Alastair Kennedy Funding has been received for an Elgin community growing project.</p> <p>b. Page 1 item 3b - Gifts from Illinois. - Anne Glover Ongoing. Anne Glover to find storage location and propose a reciprocal gift.</p> <p>c. Page 1 item 3l – Lighting up the cathedral – Alastair Kennedy This has been looked at by the Charrette. Alastair was also awaiting a response from Historic Scotland following an initial enquiry he had made on the subject.</p> <p>d. Page 5 item 12a – Anne Glover Forward report and agenda from Patient forum.</p>	<p>AK</p> <p>AGI</p> <p>AK</p> <p>AGI</p>

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4.	<b><u>AGENCY UPDATES</u></b>	
a.	<p><b><u>POLICE SCOTLAND – Grant McCUTCHEON</u></b></p> <p>Grant McCutcheon said that Moray is a safe place to live and work and that says more about the people than the Police. He outlined the months crime figures including 2 serious &amp; Violent crimes, 23 crimes of dishonesty, 10 vandalisms, 47 assault and breach of the peace, 35 road traffic offences, 10 domestic incidents.</p> <p>There was a discussion on the statistics and the benefits of the standard crime recording methodology.</p>	
b.	<p><b><u>COMMUNITY WARDEN – Andrew Mackie</u></b></p> <p>Andrew Mackie reported his month's activities including 6 antisocial behaviour, 7 Noise (Mostly Dogs), 5 Dog Fouling but no FPNs, 7 fly tipping, 1 litter from a vehicle, and 4 abandoned vehicles removed.</p> <p>There were discussions on litter and seagulls.</p>	
c.	<p><b><u>STAGECOACH – Krystian Kaczala</u></b></p> <p>No report.</p>	
5.	<b><u>COMMITTEE REPORTS:</u></b>	
a.	<p><b><u>PLANNING</u></b></p> <p><b>Local Plan</b> – Alastair Kennedy advised that the launch event in partnership with the Planning Department on Developer Obligations consultation but with other subjects involved is planned for 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015 in Elgin Academy at 6pm and all are encouraged to attend. James Wiseman endorsed that.</p>	JW
b.	<p><b><u>RECREATION, LEISURE AND ENVIRONMENT</u></b></p> <p>Pat Paterson reported that Fairtrade Fortnight was over and was a success and she outlined the activities including a series of lectures by Pamela L'Intelligent from Mauritius, School baking activities and Elgin Academy's work towards being a fairtrade school. Photos from these activities will help promote Elgin as a Fairtrade City. A leaflet has been developed for stores selling fairtrade.</p>	
c.	<p><b><u>ROADS &amp; TRANSPORTATION – See Report</u></b></p> <p>A letter regarding the Blue Badge scheme and abuses of it has been sent to the Moray Council.</p> <p>Parking on verges was discussed.</p> <p>Taxi driver standards were discussed and in particular one case where bad language was being used in a taxi rank was used to highlight the need to enforce these standards. It was understood that this has economic impact.</p>	EW DC
d.	<b><u>YOUTH. – No Report</u></b>	
e.	<p><b><u>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS – Gordie Wells</u></b></p> <p>Fundraising is ongoing.</p>	GW
f.	<p><b><u>GRANT LODGE</u></b></p> <p>The Grant Lodge Trust met with the consultant to look at options. Registration of the trust with OSCR is ongoing.</p>	
g.	<p><b><u>SOCIAL MEDIA</u></b></p> <p>Bryan Watson reported 509 followers on Facebook and 613 posts on Twitter.</p>	
h.	<p><b><u>WLR SUBGROUP – Gordon Methven</u></b></p> <p>The WLR Subgroup report was approved and the group is to decide how to build its credibility.</p>	GM
i.	<b><u>CHAIR'S REPORT – See Report</u></b>	

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j.	<b><u>SECRETARY'S REPORT – See Report</u></b>	
	Gordon Methven added a comment that the Scottish Rural Parliament had reported to Government on how to improve and sustain rural communities. The response was along the lines of what can rural communities do for themselves. There was a short discussion on interpreting that advice which was taken as a statement on community empowerment.	
6.	<b><u>COMMUNITY PLANNING.</u></b>	
a.	<b><u>ELGIN SOUTH AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING FORUM</u></b> See ESAF Minutes circulated and available on <a href="http://www.yourmoray.org.uk">www.yourmoray.org.uk</a>	
b.	<b><u>SPICE</u></b> See Minutes circulated.	
c.	<b><u>JCC &amp; COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATION IN COMMUNITY PLANNING</u></b> Alastair Kennedy advised that he was interim Chair of Innes Community Council which was requested through the JCC.	
d.	<b><u>TOWN CENTRE DESIGN CHARRETTES</u></b> The report from the town centre charrette was to be delivered on 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2015 in Elgin Library.	
7.	<b><u>EDUCATION</u></b> Cllr Mike Shand outlined the meeting times for the School Rezoning public meetings.	
a.	<b><u>New Elgin High School – No Report</u></b>	
b.	<b><u>Elgin Academy – No Report</u></b>	
c.	<b><u>Primary Schools – No Report</u></b>	
8.	<b><u>TREASURER'S REPORT – No Report</u></b>	
9.	<b><u>ONGOING TOPICS</u></b>	
a.	<b><u>DEANSHAUGH PLAYING FIELDS – No Update</u></b>	
b.	<b><u>ELGIN FUND COOPER PARK</u></b> Alastair Kennedy noted that the Charrette did not seem to be interested in the amphitheatre idea.	
10.	<b><u>EVENTS</u></b>	
a.	<b><u>COMMUNITY AWARDS</u></b> Looking forward to next years awards there was a discussion on funding the ultimate champion award requiring £200 in total. It was suggested that ECC could possibly underwriting it in case not all CCs choose to contribute. It was suggested that this was a way of promoting the Community Council. Alastair Kennedy undertook to come back with a proposal and a reply was required by the first week in April?	AK
b.	<b><u>TRAINING – No update</u></b>	
11.	<b><u>A.O.C.B.</u></b> Maureen Manson was proposed for co-option by Gordon Methven and seconded by Alastair Kennedy. There were no objections.  Donnie MacLean asked if Community Payback and whether they could be used for community projects. Following general agreement that it was a good idea Councillors Divers and Gowans explained that there were rules about using Community Payback that would most likely prevent such use however, to get a formal response contact Blair Dempsey.	

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12.	<b><u>NEXT MEETING – 9 DEC 2014</u></b>  7:00pm Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2015 Council Chambers, High Street, Elgin.	
13.	<b><u>CLOSE</u></b>  There being no further business the Chair thanked everyone and closed the meeting.	

CITATION: These Minutes were adopted as a True Record of Proceedings:

Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Seconder: \_\_\_\_\_

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_ Mr Alastair Kennedy

Date: \_\_\_\_\_