

# Innes Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2015, in Urquhart Parish Hall, at 7.00 p.m.

**Present:** Mr A Anderson  
Mr L Bangura  
Mrs W Linn  
Mr J Mackie  
Mrs A Speake

**In Attendance:** Mr A Kennedy Acting Chair for the meeting  
Mr P Fitch  
Mrs A Milne Minute Taker  
Mr D Morrison  
Mrs G Stewart

**Apologies:** Mr P Gordon Smith  
Cllr M Howe Moray Council  
Cllr D Ross Moray Council

Minute	Discussion	Action
1	<p>The Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.</p> <p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p>As noted above.</p>	
2	<p><b>Police Report</b></p> <p>The Police Report had been circulated prior to the meeting. This showed that for the period from 23 March to 26 April 2015 a total of 14 crimes were recorded for the local area. These crimes related to road traffic offences, assaults, vandalism, possession of a weapon and hare coursing. To date offenders had been identified for 10 of these crimes with a further 3 having positive on-going lines of enquiry.</p> <p>Police Scotland currently had the following local and force-wide engagement activities going on:</p> <p>Promoting Motorcycle Safety after Recent Deaths – Carrying out motorcycle checks and raising awareness of safety on the roads.</p> <p>Youth Volunteers at the Commonwealth Games – A unique volunteering scheme to encourage citizenship and skills amongst young people</p>	

3	<p><b>Moray Councillors' Reports</b></p> <p>As no Councillor was present, there was no report.</p>	
4	<p><b>Public Submissions</b></p> <p>There were no public submissions.</p>	
5	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015 were approved. Proposed by Mr Mackie and seconded by Mr Bangura.</p>	
6	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>HARE COURSING – There was no further information on this issue.</p> <p>ICC WEBSITE – Mr Bangura advised that he had resolved the password problem and would now post the minutes on the website.</p> <p>HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION – Matter from meeting of ICC of 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2015 – Mrs Speake expressed her disappointment that ICC had not responded to the recent consultation on this important matter which will affect everyone within the community, and felt that such opportunities should not be missed in future.</p> <p>It was reported that Cllr Lorna Cresswell had been appointed as Chair of the Integrated Health and Social Care Board for the next 18 months.</p> <p>CONSTITUTION – The Acting Chair reported that the proposed change to Elgin Community Council's constitution concerning resignations was with Moira Patrick for consideration. The Minute Secretary would circulate the amendment with the minutes for consideration by ICC members.</p> <p>SHOREY ROAD, KINGSTON – No further report.</p>	AM
7	<p><b>Invasive Non Native Species (INNS)</b></p> <p>Mr Gordon Smith had circulated an e-mail regarding this matter after the last meeting giving an update on his discussions the Scottish Wildlife Trust, and Mr Mackie also provided an update.</p> <p>It was agreed that Mr Mackie would draft a petition to the Scottish Government urging a tightening up of the current legislation that is in place in respect of INNS.</p>	JM

8	<p><b>Co-option of Community Councillors</b></p> <p>It was agreed that Members would use the summer months to try and encourage people to consider joining the Community Council. Mr Fitch spoke about the Highland Council scheme and how it differed from the Moray scheme, and said he would attend more meetings before deciding whether to put himself forward for co-option.</p>	<b>Members</b>
9	<p><b>Community Food Moray</b></p> <p>This organisation had received founding to provide training in the following: Cooking Skills (Confidence to Cook); Domestic Budgeting; Benefits Advice and Life Skills.</p>	
10	<p><b>Cheque Signatories</b></p> <p>Arrangements are in hand for the new cheque signatories for the bank account.</p>	
11	<p><b>Housing Support Services Policy</b></p> <p>The Acting Chair reported that this policy relates to those who would possibly be referred to as vulnerable, and who require support to sustain their tenancies. He had circulated the web links to the information.</p>	
12	<p><b>Community Alarm Responders</b></p> <p>The Acting Chair reported that he had followed up on this issue and there was only one request at present from a client in Lhanbryde for a volunteer alarm responder. There are currently 25 volunteers operating in Moray and all vacancies for volunteer work are advertised on the Council's website. Margaret Cowie's team also liaise with tsiMORAY around volunteering. Mr Mackie felt that Margaret Cowie needed to liaise more with social work and carers as they often identify gaps in services.</p>	<b>AK</b>
13	<p>The Acting Chair agreed to follow this point up with Margaret Cowie,</p> <p><b>Community Resilience Plan</b></p> <p>Mr Mackie reported that he understood that a resilience plan had already been drawn up for Garmouth and Kingston.</p>	
14	<p><b>Planning Matters</b></p> <p>REDEVELOPMENT OF TENNANT ARMS, 15 ST ANDREWS ROAD LHANBRYDE – The Acting Chair invited Mr Morrison to contribute to the discussion on this matter. The main concerns regarding this</p>	

15	<p>planning application centred around road safety, parking and the current sites of the bus stops.</p> <p>After discussion it was agreed that Mrs Linn and Mrs Speake would make a response on behalf of ICC, detailing these issues.</p> <p>18 PARK ROAD, LHANBRYDE - Mr Anderson advised that he had received an e-mail from a Mr Wayne McDonald concerning his client's intention to develop this property and seeking views on the potential end use. It was agreed to advise Mr McDonald to contact Lhanbryde Community Challenge on <a href="mailto:enquiries@lhanbrydecc.org">enquiries@lhanbrydecc.org</a>.</p>	<b>WL/AS</b>
16	<p><b>Dredging Operations in Moray Firth</b></p> <p>Mr Mackie raised concerns about dredging operations scheduled for the Moray Firth, and the affects on the marine environment. It was agreed that ICC should keep a watching brief, and the Acting Chair suggested that contact should be made with Ashley Mowatt Vice Chair of the Moray Flag and agreed he would pass on contact details.</p>	<b>AK</b>
17	<p><b>Developer Obligations</b></p> <p>The Acting Chair together with Mr Bangura and Mr Mackie gave a report on their attendance at the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> April concerning the supplementary guidance for developer obligations, rural groupings and the Moray Local Development Plan. It was agreed that the evening had been worthwhile and informative.</p> <p>Responses to the consultation on the supplementary guidance for developer obligations must be made by 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015.</p>	
18	<p><b>GP Telephone Numbers</b></p> <p>No further information at present.</p>	
19	<p><b>Right of Way at Teindland</b></p> <p>Mr Anderson raised concerns over this issue as Scottish Water had closed it to vehicular access. It was proposed that contact should be made with Joanna Peebles, Regional Communities Manager for Scottish Water to discuss the situation, and to establish what is on the title deeds.</p>	
	<p><b>OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p>CORRESPONDENCE – The Acting Chair advised that this should be a standing item on every agenda, as there were items that should be noted.</p> <p><i>DUALLING OF A96</i> – A letter had been circulated advising of a series of exhibitions on this subject. The two closest to the ICC area were</p>	<b>Secretary</b>

<p>20</p>	<p>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2015 in Elgin Library and Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2015 in the Institute at Fochabers. Both exhibitions will run from 12 noon to 7.00 p.m.</p> <p><i>RESIGNATION</i> – A letter of resignation had been received from John Fettes. Thanks for his hard work during his period with ICC were recorded.</p> <p>BINN HILL – Innes Estates have been tree cutting at the Binn Hill, but the area will be replanted.</p> <p>FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY COUNCILS, AREA FORUMS AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS – It is understood that for the financial year 2015/16 the status quo would remain.</p> <p>BEACH ROAD, KINGSTON – Mr Mackie had received a letter from Crown Estates about the grass verge in this area, and it has been reseeded.</p> <p>CONSULTATIONS – Again this should be a standing agenda item. Moray Alcohol and Drugs Partnership are currently consulting on their Draft 10 year strategy 2015 to 2025. The consultation period ends on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2015.</p> <p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Urquhart Parish Hall.</p>	<p><b>Secretary</b></p>
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