

FINDHORN AND KINLOSS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on 30 June 2016 at Kinloss Church

Present: F Allan (Chair), F Reitberg, T Brown, P Carroll (arrived 7.30pm) M Hyde (Minutes) (arrived 7.30pm).

Attendance: R Douglas BSO Kinloss Barracks, T McLaren Forres Gazette, Cllr Creswell, Cllr Skene, Susie Jenner Moray Council.

Item 1: Apologies: L Morgan, J O'Hagan, S Finnegan, E Malone, Sgt Ferry Police Scotland, H Morton.

Item 2: Police Report and Public Business

Police Report

2.1 During the period from 01/06/16 to 23/06/16, there have been 7 reports of crime being committed within the Findhorn and Kinloss Community Council area. These range from assaults on children, by other children, to theft. Two of note are: on 14/06/16 the Spar, Kinloss was broken into. It does not appear anything was stolen and enquiry is still ongoing. The Police are awaiting forensic results. On 28/06/16 at Findhorn, there was damage to a caravan window. Enquiry is still ongoing.

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

2.2 Speeding still appears to be a problem in the Kinloss area and requests have been made for a Roads Policing presence with high visibility patrols.

Public Business

2.3 There has been a volunteer from Kinloss to go onto the Findhorn Bay Local Nature Reserve Committee.

2.4 The update from FVCC is that the committee is currently looking at the land that they own but nothing can happen without the members deciding.

2.5 Susie Jenner from the Support and Protection of Adults at Risk Team at Moray Council spoke about the concerns people may have about vulnerable adults. She handed out leaflets that people can read about the types of harm to look out for. If you have concerns about anybody the number to call is 01343 563999 to speak to a member of the support team.

Item 3: Ratification of Minutes

3.1 The minutes of the meeting on the May were ratified, proposed by T Brown and seconded by F Reitberg.

Item 4: Matters Arising

4.1 (a) (2.3) Decision on double yellow lines near Kimberley Inn. F. Allan consulted with Community Councillors and the decision was that we should not support double yellow lines in front of the Kimberley Inn. Currently when the bus stops, cars must wait for a short period of time. Double yellow lines would mean that cars could pass the parked bus, increasing the risk of accidents. **ACTION: F Allen** to feedback to member of public.

4.2 (b) (6.2) Contact BSO about Army support for proposed Nature Trail. T Brown has received a grant from Money for Moray and is able develop the trail; he will liaise with BSO. **ACTION: T Brown**

4.3 (c) (10.3) Attendance at mediation training. M Hyde has agreed to attend and therefore will be unable attend the F+K CC meeting on 29 Sep.

4.4 (d) (14.3) Discuss road sign with relevant parties. L Morgan contacted the Moray Council Planning and Roads and also Police Scotland. Planning requested a diagram with details which have been provided. Police have said it should not be a problem, however Roads have raised issues and indicate permission would not be granted as speed limit sign already in place; they raised objections on proliferation of signage. This topic is still work-in-progress. **ACTION: L Morgan**

P Carroll asked if Mr Malpas had come back with information on statistics of instances and not just percentages over the speed limit. Mr Malpas has come back to T Brown but has not provided the details P Carroll asked for. Moray Council has suggested that a pavement is lowered opposite Glebe Road with coloured slabs to indicate an official crossing for the school children. **Action: L Morgan** to follow up.

Item 5: Declaration of Conflicts of interest There were no declarations of interest.

Item 6: Kinloss Barracks Report

6.1 In response to a question regarding payment by 39 Engineer Regiment to Moray Council for services, R Douglas confirmed that: “Those in our Regiment living in service accommodation pay CILOCT ‘Contribution in Lieu of Council Tax’. This is paid to the Ministry of Defence, who then distribute the funds to local authorities according to the numbers of service personnel and families living within the local authority area. For those personnel living in their own homes while serving at Kinloss, they pay the full amount of Council Tax in line with other residents.”

6.2 39 Engineer Regiment is very keen to help and assist with the Nature Trail. Also they are happy to support other local projects depending on operational priorities.

Item 7: Chairman’s Report

7.1 L Morgan participated in the two public events deciding on the ‘Money for Moray’ on 29 May and 26 June, both in the Grant Hall, Rothies. Transport was offered to those in need. Approximately £120,000 in total disbursed to approximately 40 groups. L Morgan had an introductory meeting with new CO Kinloss Barracks and attended their Annual Cocktail Party on 18 June.

Item 8: Secretary’s Report

8.1 As J O’Hagan was unable to attend the meeting, she gave the following report:

a. There are consultations open on the following matters: the strategy ‘Carry on Caring 2016 – 2019’. This strategy is about supporting a better life for unpaid carers in Moray. Should you wish to complete the survey, please see the gmail, or go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Carry-on-caring> ; The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service consultation can be found at firescotland.citizenspace.com ; ‘Consultation on regulations and statutory guidance in relation to Part 3 of the Community Empowerment (S) Act – ‘Participation Requests’ is available online; Police Priorities can be found at <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Justice/policies/police-fire-rescue/police-scotland/StrategicPolicePriorities>

b. ‘FareShare’s FoodCloud goes live on 4 Jul in Tesco, Forres. This is a new initiative that proposes that local charities can get free surplus, unsold food. Please see the gmail for further information, or see https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n_1mdxzZojI

c. The Scottish Heritage Angel Awards is in its second year; nominations are welcomed and the deadline is 12/08/16. These Awards help to celebrate those who help to better understand, protect and value Scotland’s heritage and history.

d. The CC Grant advance has been received.

e. There are funds available to bid for from the ‘Community Choices Fund’, details on the gmail, but please note the tight time scale.

Item 9: Treasurer’s Report

9.1 F Reitberg advised that the total from Moray Council grant is £1413.50; other grants £2217.96, making a total of £3631.46.

Item 10: JCCM Report

10.1 The next meeting is on 11 Aug. L Morgan will attend.

Item 11: Moray Councillors’ Reports

11.1 Cllr Creswell:

- Fare Share Food Cloud for the surplus food from Tesco: search in progress to find groups interested in receiving the donations of food.
- Attended the Cocktail Party at Kinloss Barracks.
- The young people have been given demonstrations on their skateboards looking for support for a skatepark.

11.2 Cllr Skene has been busy with the schools closing for the summer with sports days and other events. Also interviews in progress for teachers and head teachers; although there is still a shortage it is not as bad as last year.

Finderne Community Council has just started up. This includes Rafford and Dunphail and will be a strong voice for the area. The "Support Refugees" event in Moray College was a good event and well attended. Logie Estates would like to build a hamlet around the local school and has been consulting and researching this in the area. Some of the area has already been sold for housing. Broadband: 93% of properties now have access to fibre broadband which is the highest in the Highlands and Islands and Moray area. Superfast broadband is available to 75% of properties but there has only been a take up of 27%, so if you feel you should be getting superfast broadband check with your service provider. P Carroll asked about mobile phone coverage as there doesn't seem to be any provider that can adequately cover Findhorn. At a full meeting of Moray Council, Forres High St did not receive funds from the Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme. P Carroll commented on the wildfowling agreement.; in his view the agreement is unworkable as the local wildfowling have only been informed by what they have seen in the press and have not been included in the negotiations.

Item 12: Findhorn Foundation Report

12.1 F Reitberg stated there are two 40th Anniversaries coming up: Game of Transformation and Sacred Circle Dance.

Item 13: Planning

13.1 Resubmitted plan for Bunden. It is now a single storey house; Moray Council has accepted the new plan as it has reduced its impact and is no longer higher than the surrounding buildings. The access rights have been written into the planning.

13.2 Marine Cottage. Application to extend to the back of the cottage for a third bedroom.

13.3 Woodbine Cottage. Application for a sunroom with a flat roof which is back sloping into a channel taking the water away.

13.4 Woodside Farm. F Allan and P Carroll are going to take a walk around to have a look at the proposals.
ACTION: FA and PC

13.5 T Brown asked if planning permission is needed for a seat/shelter on the new Nature Trail. P Carroll advised T Brown to write to Roy Dennis, Chairman of the FBLNR, with plans and diagrams as it involves the FBLNR. **ACTION: T Brown**

Item 14: AOCB

14.1 Road sign near Kinloss Railway Crossing. Further to 4.4 (d) above, L Morgan sought the opinion of Councillors on the advisability of a sign. Opinion was divided. **ACTION: L Morgan** to resolve.

14.2 Leaflet drop. J O'Hagan is doing first batch of leaflet drop in Findhorn, then S Finnegan will continue. **ACTION: JoH and SF**

14.3 Information was provided on the availability of Scottish Communities Funding. Anyone with an idea should take action.

14.4 P Carroll said that the local wildfowling would like to be included in any meeting about wildfowling whether as observers or participants. The people who have been involved in the meetings for the wildfowling are not representative of the local wildfowling.

14.5 P Carroll is awaiting the results of the Berry Burn meeting on 27 Jun as he is hoping for funding for information boards.

14.6 M Hyde had been asked to point out that there is a new web site called "visitfindhorn" which does not differentiate between the Foundation and Findhorn village. Findhorn has its own identity as has the Foundation. F Rritberg is going to ask the originator about it and he has already said that he would like to come along to a meeting.
ACTION: FR

Item 15: Forthcoming Events Nil

Item 16: Date of Next Meeting 25 Aug 16 in the JMI Findhorn at 7pm.