

# Minutes of Findhorn and Kinloss Community Council Meeting held on Thursday 27 April 2023 at Culbin Room, Kinloss Church, Kinloss

Present		Attendance	
C Brenton	Vice-Chair	D Low	Kinloss Barracks
D Anderson	Minute Secretary	C Low	TFVCC
S Moat		Moray Councilors	
S Dominey		Cllr McBain	
M La Tourelle		Members of Public	None
J Hynam			

#### Item 1 - Welcome

- a. Apologies A Skene (Chair), R Hutchinson, J O'Hagan, Cllr Robertson
- b. Declaration of Interest to be raised as and when it occurs.

### Item 2 - Public Session

- a. Community Safety Report/Police Scotland Report no incidents reported in the FKCC area. S Moat asked if there was any follow up information on the theft and vandalism of the Moray Car Share vehicle but no persons present were aware of the outcome of any Police investigation.
- b. Any other competent public business / public correspondence No public business (covered in Item 4.0 Matters Arising and Item 14.0 AOCB)

# <u>Item 3 – Ratification of Minutes of Meeting from Thursday 2023 at 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 Osprey Room, JMI, Findhorn</u>

**3.1** The minutes of the meeting were agreed as being accurate, proposed by S Moat and seconded by M La Tourelle.

# Item 4 - Matters Arising

- **4.1 (11.1)** There has been no further information on the setting up of local oversight groups for healthcare provision. This item will be on the agenda for the May meeting. **ACTION: A Skene to seek clarification and further information from the IIB**
- **4.2 (12.1)** C Low confirmed that TFVCC had submitted an email to Moray Council to express an interest in developing a Local Place Plan for Findhorn but had yet to receive a response. **ACTION: D Anderson to follow up email with Strategic Planning Team at the Council. Local Place Plans for Findhorn Village and Kinloss to be included as an item for the next FKCC meeting.**
- **4.3 (12.2)** C Brenton confirmed that there was a Resilience Plan sub-group meeting scheduled for 8 May. **ACTION:** Resilience Planning to be included as an item for the next FKCC meeting.
- **4.4 (14.3)** S Moat set up the What's App group to co-ordinate responses to emails sent to the FKCC inbox.

# <u>Item 5 The Findhorn Village Conservation Company (TFVCC)</u>

- **5.1** C Low provided an update on the refurbishment of the toilet blocks, with the signage soon to be erected. Works to create the shower at the northern toilet block will be postponed until after the tourist season. Preparatory work to install payment barriers at the Beach Car Park is ongoing. The barriers will provide additional security and it is anticipated that they will deter anti-social driving behaviour. Fund raising for the replacement Beach Steps is also about to start through a 'Just Giving' page.
- **5.2** There is no update on the future of the Church in Findhorn.
- **5.3** The plans for the Coronation celebrations in May have been finalised and households in Findhorn have received a leaflet. Full details of the events are included in Item 15.

# **Item 6 Kinloss Barracks Report**

**6.1** There are no training exercises planned for May. However, there may be flight training in the area. Deer management will take place on the base over the weekend of 29/30 April. The construction pods for the new accommodation will be delivered via Southside in the coming weeks. Residents may experience minor delays when the deliveries take place. The dates for the deliveries will be shared on the Southside Facebook page. **ACTION: D Low to send times and dates for deliveries to C Brenton.** 

6.2 There has been a change to the grass cutting regime to retain longer vegetation to support ground nesting birds. Finally, there is a request for time to be set aside during the public session for the June meeting to enable a presentation and discussion on the use of the Barracks/Airfield for Motor Sports events. **ACTION: D Low to provide full details of the speaker and topic prior to June Agenda setting.** 

#### **Item 7 Chairs Report**

**7.1** A Skene has been invited to attend the Moray Licensing Board meeting on 3 May 2023 where the applications for changes to opening times/ages groups/etc. for the Kinloss Abbey Inn and the Crown and Anchor will be discussed. S Moat asked about the status of the Statement of Intent submitted for the applications and whether this was a binding document. **ACTION:** A Skene to ask about status of Statement at meeting, if it is not clear through the discussions.

# <u>Item 8 Secretary's Report/Correspondence</u>

**8.1** There has been correspondence regarding the speed of traffic using the C6E Scotsburn to Kinloss Road near Newton of Struthers/Woodhead, which is a de-restricted road. **ACTION: S Moat to report to Police Scotland and advise resident to report perceived speeding incidents to Police Scotland.** 

# **Item 9 Treasurer's Report**

**9.1** S Moat reported that the bank balance is £3,230.56, which is made up of:

Balance C/F TMC admin grant £ 1,708.43
Balance C/F Capital funds £ 1,022.13
Balance C/F SSE grant £ 0.00

**9.2** Any FKCC members with expense claims are urged to complete and submit them as soon as possible.

# **Item 10 Joint Community Council**

**10.1** The next JCC Meeting will be on Thursday 11th May at 7.00pm at the Supper Room at Elgin Town Hall, J Hynam will check whether his work schedule will enable his attendance.

#### **Item 11 Moray Councilors' Report**

**11.1** Cllr McBain reflected on his first year as a Moray Council Councilor, the collaborative working that takes place and the challenges when dealing with some parts of the Council as not all officers have returned to the office.

# **Item 12 Findhorn Park Eco Village Report (FPEV)**

- **12.1** M La Tourelle reported that The Resilience Plan for the Park Eco Village has been progressing and the communications tree have been completed. A Fire Warden has been appointed. The Fire Warden will train other volunteers and a Fire Drill will take place. Refuge Centres have also been designated and solutions for providing power during pro-longed power outages are being investigated.
- **12.2** M La Tourelle also reported that a community consultation had taken place on the proposed development framework for the FPEV over the weekend of 22/23 April and that there would be follow up Stakeholder consultation in the coming weeks (see Item 14).
- **12.3** S Dominey reported that the Findhorn Foundation were in the process of moving all of their operations to Cluny Hill in Forres, leaving residents of the FPEV to maintain flower beds and they were not moving forward with the rebuilding of the Community Centre at this time. D Anderson stated that her understanding was that the fire in 2021 left no catering facilities at the FPEV, which had an adverse impact on the charity's post-Covid recovery.

# **Item 13 Planning**

**13.1** Four planning applications have been submitted for the FKCC area and were discussed during the meeting. 23/00530/APP alter and extend dwelling house at 205 Findhorn. 22/01926/LBC replacement windows at Quay Cottage, Findhorn.

23/00462/APP Erect of detached single storey dwellinghouse on Plot 4 Seapark House, Kinloss.

23/00463/APP Erect of dwellinghouse with 2 parking spaces on Plot 5 Seapark House, Kinloss.

No comments on these applications were made during the meeting. **ACTION: Should any FKCC members have comments** then email them to C Brenton by 5 May 2023.

#### **Item 14 Any Other Competent Business**

- **14.1** Correspondence has been received from the architect preparing a development framework for the FPEV inviting representative from the FVCC to a Stakeholder 1-2-1 meeting. A Skene has indicated that she would attend. M La Tourelle also wishes to attend. D Anderson suggested that it may be appropriate for a Kinloss based FKCC member to attend to ensure full representation of the area. Residents of the FPEV have already had the opportunity to attend a consultation event, see Item 12.2.
- **14.2** S Moat highlighted that the response to the re-launched Osprey Bus has been exceptional and they are now looking for volunteer drivers. Even if drivers cannot commit to a regular day/time then being on the list of drivers available for Ad-Hoc events would support the charity. S Moat also reported that the CAT for the Forres Skate Park was still ongoing.
- **14.3** S Moat also reported that the residents of Glebe Road had asked if it was possible to convert a traffic island into a parking area. D Anderson advised that the enquiry should be sent to the Moray Council <a href="mailto:transport.develop@moray.gov.uk">transport.develop@moray.gov.uk</a> email address for consideration.
- **14.4** S Dominey reported that one of the Findhorn Beach Huts is available for use by families through the organisation R-evolution for Good <a href="https://www.revolutionforgood.org.uk">www.revolutionforgood.org.uk</a>

# **Item 15 Forthcoming Community Events**

**15.1** The following forthcoming events were shared:

- Universal Hall promotions can be seen on website <u>www.universalhall.co.uk</u>
- Findhorn Village Coronation Events:

Heritage Centre and Ice House open 2pm to 5pm 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> May.

Royal Yacht Club open to non-members all weekend with screening of the Coronation on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

Coronation Ceilidh Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May at the James Milne Institute from 8pm to 11pm. Tickets £5 from the Findhorn Village Store.

Findhorn Coastal Rowers try rowing sessions at The Piers on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 12pm to 1.30pm

Coronation 'Big Lunch' Street Party, (Bring your own picnic) at the Marquee by The Piers on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 1.pm to 3pm

Maritime Pageant Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm

The Big Help Out on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Findhorn Dunes Trust – led walks to remove non-native seedlings/saplings meet at Play Park at 10.30am or 2.30pm. Walks will last about 90 minutes. Wear appropriate clothing and bring tough gloves.

Bayside Beach Clean - meet at Yacht Club garden at 10am. Bring gloves, litter pickers and bin bags will be provided.

Findhorn Bowling Club – 'Big Tidy' help get the Bowling Club ready for the summer starting at 2pm. Bring gloves. Jobs include strimming, painting and weeding.

• Kinloss Krafty Kids Club Fundraising Event – Psychic Night (Maureen Smith) on Friday 26 May 2023 at 7.30pm at Moravia, Kinloss.

#### **Item 16 Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023, 7.00pm at the Osprey Room, James Milne Institute, Findhorn.