Innes Community Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th April 2015, in Urquhart Parish Hall, at 7.00 p.m.

Present: Mr A Anderson

Mr L Bangura Mr P Gordon Smith

Mrs W Linn Mr J Mackie

In Attendance: Mr A Kennedy Acting Chair for the meeting

PC S Dick Police Scotland
Cllr M Howe Moray Council
Mrs A Milne Minute Taker
PC M Page Police Scotland

Mrs G Stewart

Apologies Cllr D Ross Moray Council

Mrs A Speake Secretary

Minute	Discussion	Action
	The Acting Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.	
1	Apologies	
	As noted above.	
2	Police Report	
	The Police Report had been circulated prior to the meeting. This showed that for the period from 23 rd February to 22 nd March 2015 a total of 18 crimes were recorded for the local area. These crimes related to drink/drug driving, road traffic offences, assaults, thefts and vandalism. To date offenders had been identified for 10 of these crimes with a further 5 having positive on-going lines of enquiry. Police Scotland currently had the following forcewide engagement	
	activities going on:	
	Operation Monarda – "If in Doubt, Keep Them Out" – targeted at eradicating doorstep crime and bogus callers, and	
	Operation Quarterlight – Keeping your car secure.	
	PC Dick highlighted the issue of hare coursing in the area, and advised that should this activity be witnessed it should be reported to the police. This issue had also been raised by the Community	

Warden at a recent meeting of Lhanbryde Community Challenge. 3 Moray Councillors' Reports Cllr Howe reported that talks were on-going regarding the future administration of the Council following the recent Buckie by-election. The Council had agreed £5,000 match funding for the Spey Foundation from the landfill tax fund to help with the issue of hogweed. Mr Gordon Smith advised that he had also been in contact with Glenn Campbell of Scottish Wildlife Trust over this subject, and would report back further at the next meeting. **PGS Public Submissions** 4 Mrs Stewart tabled a leaflet that she had received concerning the integration of health and social care which seemed to be possibly duplicating work that was already on-going by groups, rather than widening out representation. It was agreed to keep a watching brief on this issue. Mr Mackie advised that staff working within the fields of health and social care were not being kept up to date with the implementation of the integration. Mrs Milne tabled a leaflet concerning HITRANS Thistle Assistance Card for use by people with disabilities to get help when using public transport. She advised that copies were available from Chris Hall at Moray Council. 5 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd March 2015 were approved. Proposed by Mr Bangura and seconded by Mr Anderson. 6 **Matters Arising** LAPTOP AND PRINTER – Quotations had been received for these items, but it was not possible to go ahead until signatures on the bank account had been amended. LB ICC WEBSITE – Mr Bangura was still working on this matter. COMMUNITY ALARM RESPONDERS – The Acting Chair had circulated an e-mail from Wendy Johnston of Moray Council outlining the position in respect of community alarms and the role of volunteers in respect of this service. It was agreed that it would be useful to know how many people in the Innes Community Council area required community alarms and whether there was a need for additional volunteers. Mr Kennedy agreed to go back to Wendy Johnston to try and obtain this information. AK

	Mr Mackie advised that a voluntary organisation was now offering a home from hospital service to assist people when they were first discharged from hospital.	
7	Invasive Non Native Species (INNS)	
	Members updated the meeting on their various discussions with organisations such as the Spey Foundation and Scottish Wildlife Trust on this subject, and it was agreed to put the item on the agenda for the May meeting for further updates.	Agenda
8	Co-option of Community Councillors	
	A discussion ensued on the co-option of additional Community Councillors. Members needed to be notified 14 days before the meeting of any possible co-option. It was agreed that members should try and promote the Community Council with a view to seeking further members.	Members
9	Office Bearers and Spokespersons	
	VICE CHAIR – It was agreed to operate without a Vice Chair for the current time.	
	TREASURER – Mr Bangura – Proposed by Mr Anderson and seconded by Mr Mackie.	
	PLANNING – Mrs Linn agreed to study the weekly planning lists that were circulated for developments within the ICC area.	WL
10	Moray Council Grant Payment	
	It was reported that this had been received.	
11	Community Resilience Plan	
	The link to the Findhorn and Kinloss Resilience Plan had been included in the last minutes. After discussion it was agreed that members would come forward with ideas on how a plan could be devised for the local area to the next meeting.	Agenda
12	Power Outages	
	As power outages happened often in the area, particularly in Garmouth and Kingston it was agreed that members should try and record how often they happened over the course of the next couple of months so that further action could be taken.	Members
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13	Constitution	
	It was agreed to leave the constitution as it stood until after the co- option of new members.	
	Mr Kennedy reported that Elgin Community Council would be discussing changes to their constitution at their next meeting on 14 th April and would share any proposed amendments with ICC.	AK
14	Developer Obligations	
	The Acting Chair advised that an event hosted jointly by the Joint Community Councils and Moray Council was planned for 20 th April at Elgin Academy to launch the consultation into the supplementary guidance for developer obligations.	
15	GP Telephone Numbers	
	It was agreed that GPs should keep their own telephone numbers and Mr Kennedy advised that the JCC would be responding to this consultation.	JCC
16	Shorey Road, Kingston	
	The current position is that this path is due to be cleared by Moray Council. It was agreed that it may form part of the Moray Coastal Trial, and Cllr Howe agreed to check it out with lan Douglas.	МН
17	OTHER BUSINESS	
	THANKS – Mrs Linn wished to place on record thanks to Mrs E Bodman and Mr P Bush for their hard work prior to their resignation from ICC. This was unanimously supported.	
	She also said that she felt this meeting had been a good and positive one and this was seconded by Mr Bangura and Mr Mackie.	
	HOUSING SUPPORT SERVICES POLICY – This policy is currently out for consultation and Mr Kennedy agreed to find out whether it had been circulated to interested parties or only placed on the Council's website.	AK
18	Next Meeting	
	Tuesday 5 th May 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Urquhart Parish Hall.	