

**MINUTES of a Meeting of Kinross Community Council  
On Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022 at 7.40 pm  
In Masonic Hall, The Muirs, Kinross**

**Present:** CCLlr L McKay, (Chair), CCLlr D Colliar, CCLlr W Freeman, CCLlr H Phillips, CCLlr E Leslie, CCLlr H Phillips and CCLlr C Collins

**Ward Councillors:** Cllr D Cuthbert and Cllr W Robertson

**Members of the Public:** 3

**Minutes:** Mrs C Aird

**1. Welcome**

CCLlr L McKay welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting. She introduced two of the new Community Councillors, Emma Leslie and Chris Collins to those present.

**2. Apologies**

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr R Watters, Cllr N Freshwater, CCLlr T Stewart, CCLlr M Wilson and PC B Samson.

**3. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

**4. Minutes of meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

The draft minutes from the October 2022 meeting were accepted as a correct record of the discussions. The minutes were proposed by CCLlr W Freeman and seconded by CCLlr H Phillips.

**5. Police Report**

PC B Samson was unable to attend the meeting but had forwarded a report. CCLlr W Freeman advised that there had been a number of driving-related incidents (drink driving, driving without a licence, driving without valid insurance and riding without a crash helmet (2 people reported to the procurator fiscal) and 2 thefts by house-breaking, both of which were still subject to live investigation.

The meeting was advised that Community officers are aware of regular areas where there are complaints about speeding in and around Kinross. These have all been added to our speeding matrix and Officers will continue to make efforts to carry out speed checks across the area during patrols. Traffic units from Perth have also been carrying out regular speed checks in the area and have issued tickets over the last month for speeding and various other road traffic offences.

**6. Matters Arising from 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022 meeting**

All matters arising were covered by the agenda.

**7. Kinross Town Centre**

CCLlr L McKay advised that the cobbles in the High Street were sinking, and that the bollard outside the opticians was still to be replaced. It was also noted that a walk around the town centre would be arranged for January.

With regard to the street lights, Cllr Robertson reported that he had been advised that these were at the correct illumination and that lighting should improve now that the leaves had fallen from trees.

With regard to the letter to SEPA in respect of the Loch, Cllr Robertson advised that he had not yet received a response.

Members were advised that Cllr Mckay was still trying to contact the Lodge with regards to the sound equipment and an update would be given at a future meeting.

Minutes of the meetings are now uploaded onto Facebook and the website.

The issue of the removal of the trees at the Green Hotel had been reported.

Members were advised that a PKC officer had advised that the wall at the Green is required to be repaired and the owner would be responsible for doing so.

Complaints continue to be received with regard to Burns Begg Street.

Cllr Robertson had recently attended a coffee morning at the sheltered housing complex to discuss the concerns they had raised previously.

The issue of a crossing being introduced in the High Street, down from the chip shop, had been raised but members felt that this would take away too many parking spaces, thereby causing other issues.

Cllr Mckay raised the issue of parking at Millbridge Hall, with car owners parking where spaces do not exist, causing further issues with entering and exiting.

#### **8. Hayfield Community Wildlife Garden**

There was no update available from Cllr Watters meantime, and Cllr Phillips is to investigate whether there was funding available for this work.

**ACTION: Cllr H Phillips**

#### **9. Speed watch Campaign**

Cllr Robertson advised that Fossoway CC were happy to act as co-ordinators for the campaign and while a funding application had been made to the Community Investment Fund for equipment, there was now a need for volunteers to come forward. Cllr Phillips advised that there was an article in the next edition of the Newsletter on the Campaign. Teams of 3 are required to monitor vehicle speeds in the locality by recording the date/time/speed/registration number using a speed gun. This information would then be handed over to the Police and if speeds were deemed to be excessive, the Police would speak to the relevant drivers. One member of the audience volunteered.

#### **10. Community Campus Management Group/Meeting**

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

#### **11. Road Safety Issues**

Cllr Mckay asked for an update on the vehicle activation signs.

Cllrs Robertson and Cuthbert had circulated the list of road safety issues for the area and asked for the CC to review this and send comments back ASAP to Cllr Cuthbert and the Ward Councillors.

**ACTION: All Community Councillors**

It was noted that the list contained over 800 issues and that some of these works had been delayed due to staff issues at PKC. Cllr Cuthbert also suggested that the issue at the Sycamores be near the top of the list.

Cllr Mckay advised that the path in Springfield Road had been repaired but was now in a worse state than it was previously. Cllr Robertson agreed to look at the path and report to PKC.

**ACTION: Cllr W Robertson**

## 12. Planning

### a) New applications:

**22/01743/FLL** - alterations to garage to form ancillary accommodation, and erection of a garage at Gellybank Cottage, Kinross, KY13 0LE

**22/01793/FLL** - extension to dwellinghouse at The Flat, 6 Main Street, Keltybridge, Kelty, KY4 0JH

**22/01884/FLL** - extension to dwellinghouse and formation of roof terrace at 51 Muirs, Kinross, KY13 8AU

**22/01571/FLL** - renewal of permission 16/01837/FLL (erection of a dwellinghouse and garage) at land 50 Metres northwest of Cruachan, Old Cleish Road, Kinross

### b) Decided Applications

**22/01633/PNA** - erection of an agricultural building at land 40 metres southeast of Goudierannet Farm, Kinross **(REFUSED)**

02/01820/FUL - two storey extension to house at 42 Gallowhill Road, Kinross, KY13 8RA **(APPROVED)**

### c) Other Planning Matters

**22/01004/FLL** - erection of a retail unit (Class 1), formation of parking areas, landscaping and associated works (LDP site E21) at Auld Mart Business Park, Kingfisher House, Orwell Road, Milnathort, Kinross, KY13 9DA

Cllr Cuthbert advised that the above planning application had not yet been discussed by PKC and whilst there was a meeting scheduled for the following day, the application was not on the agenda.

**22/00005/PREAPM** - Davies Park, Springfield Road, Kinross, KY13 8BA – covered earlier in the meeting.

It was noted that a public meeting had been arranged for 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7 pm in the Parish Church where a presentation on the application, the work done and responses from government bodies would be given.

Members were also advised that there was a meeting with James Gardner (PKC Community Empowerment Officer) arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> December to discuss community ownership and KCC were invited to attend – Cllr Leslie agreed to attend and provide an update to the next meeting.

Cllr Mckay commented that she had been advised that community ownership would impact the available funding for the parks and while this was agreed with, Cllr Cuthbert commented

that while it would be worth exploring, everyone needed to be aware of the implications. In response to a question from the public, Cllr Mckay advised that funding applications had not been submitted due to manpower issues, and she again confirmed that PKC wished all work to be completed at the same time. Work is estimated to cost around £200,000.

A member of the public advised that PKC had published a screening opinion which concluded that Miller Homes should carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for its proposed development at West Kinross. Miller Homes have appealed to the Scottish Government (Department of Planning and Environmental Appeals) for direction as to whether an EIA is necessary.

Ward Councillors have arranged to meet with Scottish Water on 6<sup>th</sup> December to discuss issues, and an update will be given at a future meeting. It was agreed that everyone needed to write to DPEA to express their concerns if Miller Homes were given permission to build on the site and Cllr Phillips is to link in with the various groups to write letters.

**ACTION: Cllr H Phillips**

### **13. Reports from PKC Councillors**

**Cllr D Cuthbert** advised that a consultation from the Boundary Commission had been issued and responses were to be submitted by 5<sup>th</sup> December 2022, commenting that the population of Kinross-shire had increased by around 21.8% over the last 10 years.

It was noted that there continued to be difficulties obtaining appointments with GPs and dental practices, and Cllr D Cuthbert had raised these issues with the Integrated Joint Board. School capacity was also causing concern (81% at Kinross within 5 years, Milnathort at 114% , and Cleish joining up with Kinross for around 2 years) and he had raised his concerns with the PKC Chief Executive, asking for the numbers to be verified.

Cllr Cuthbert also reminded everyone that the festive street market was being held on Saturday.

Members were advised that the BCA looked to be changing hands, and a meeting was arranged for 30<sup>th</sup> November (being held by Zoom) with the CC. It was also noted that The Boat House had been sold.

### **14. Reports from Community Councillors**

**Cllr L Mckay** advised that she had been approached by a member of the public raising concerns in the running of the newsletter, and that they had reported their concerns to OSCR. Cllr Mckay advised that a meeting of the newsletter was required to be held as a matter of urgency to discuss these concerns and Cllr Phillips agreed to contact Ross McConnell.

**ACTION: Cllr H Phillips**

Cllr Mckay also advised that the newsletter email address needed to be separate from the CC email. CC representatives were also required for the newsletter, and this would be discussed further.

### **15. Licencing Applications**

No applications had been received.

## 16. Correspondence

- **Remembrance Parade**

Cllr W Freeman thanked everyone for their support in the Remembrance Parade

- **Recycling Centre – Christmas/New Year Opening**

Cllr Freeman advised that the opening/closing types for the recycling centre were to be changed over the festive season and he agreed to forward the details to Cllrs Phillips and Mckay for uploading to Facebook and including in the newsletter.

**ACTION: Cllrs W Freeman/L Mckay/H Phillips**

- **Christmas Light Switch On**

The Christmas lights would be switched on on Saturday at around 6.30 pm/7 pm at the Market.

## 17. AOCB

There were no other items of business raised.

## 18. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of Kinross Community Council will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Masonic Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting closed at 2110 hours approximately  
All minutes are draft until considered at the next meeting