

Kingsbarns Community Council

Minutes of Meeting Monday, 1 July 2019 Kingsbarns Memorial Hall, Main Street, Kingsbarns

Present: Margaret Harkins (Chair), Shona McIntosh, Eileen Brown, Ulrike Weiss, Kate Holy (Minutes Secretary), Martin Dibbs (Secretary) Fiona Ramsay (Treasurer)

Councillors: Cllr Linda Holt, Cllr John Docherty

Approximately 20 members of the public

- 1 **Apologies:** Cllr Bill Porteous, Sue Jenkins, Community Police Officer
- 2 **Community Policing Matters:** In the absence of any Community Police Officer, residents were asked to pass any concerns to the Secretary, who would forward them. The Secretary had been informed by the Community Police Officer that work had been done with the primary school, speeding had been monitored in the village as a result of which 3 motorists had been warned.
- 3 **Minutes of last meeting:** The minutes of 6 May 2019 were approved.
Proposer: Eileen Brown Seconder: Shona McIntosh
- 4 **Matters arising:**
 - a) **Noticeboard Repair:** Robert Harkins has very kindly refurbished the Community Council noticeboard beautifully. In Robert's absence Martin Dibbs proposed a vote of thanks and a small gift and card was given to be passed on to him.
 - b) **Road repairs by R & A** Martin has been in touch with Professor Otto who has apologised for the failure to get the footpath repaired and will arrange for contractors currently working in St Andrews to do this. Martin also agreed to remind Professor Otto of his undertaking to arrange tours of the testing centre for residents over the summer.
 - c) **Traffic calming measures:** Martin has been in touch with Colin Stirling of Fife Council Transportation who has confirmed that the village is still in line to receive traffic calming measures which are proposed to be installed after local consultation. He encouraged local residents to attend any meetings arranged. Cllr Holt also informed the meeting that the stretch of the A917 between Brownhills and the Castle Course which had not been completed with the main repairs last year is scheduled to be completed this year.
- 5 **Treasurer's Report:** KCC has a clear balance of £2917.48 of which £173.69 is held for the garden group, When uncashed cheques are taken into account (£24 for Hall fees) there is a balance of £2893.48 remaining.
- 6 **Planning Report:**

Rural Homes for Rent Kate has requested the signed copy of the Rural Homes for Rent agreement but has not yet received this. She, Martin and Margaret are due to meet with the Auditor General of Scotland at Holyrood, in a meeting arranged and hosted by Willie Rennie MSP, to discuss this use of public money on July 16th.

Outline planning permission for two single story houses to be built in the gardens behind the church and pub: Fife Environmental Health and Public Protection Scheme, as statutory consultees to this application, are concerned about noise levels from the pub for the new residents of the proposed houses. They have asked for an acoustic report to be prepared by a competent person to:

- (i) Determine the existing noise climate
- (ii) Predict the noise climate in gardens (daytime), bedrooms (night-time) and other habitable rooms of the development
- (iii) Detail the proposed attenuation/design necessary to protect the amenity of the occupants of the new residences (including ventilation if required).

Without this report they would object to the application. As a result, the owners have requested a time extension to prepare this and there has been no further progress on the application.

A house to be built behind what is currently Calla's house: This has been approved, although there has been no condition attached to provide proper screening for Torrie House, as we requested.

- 7 Playpark Equipment** Kate reported that Alan Bisset of Fife Council had reported that the new equipment and its installation would cost around £65,000 for which the KCC would need to apply for grants. He has suggested Fife Environment Trust and one other Trust and Kate will look at this. Kate has had one meeting in the playpark with parents and children to look at the very detailed suggested plan Alan Bisset has sent. The group of parents and children have made a few suggestions for change in relation to placement of equipment and Alan Bisset has agreed the amendments were sensible and redrafted the plan. Kate is to have another meeting in the park with parents and children this Friday 5th July (one of the parents is kindly delivering messages to all other parents and Kate has started a WhatsApp Playpark group to make communication easier) and if everyone is in agreement, Kate will contact Mr Bisset to agree to go ahead, with this meeting's agreement. The children are very keen on fundraising. The meeting enthusiastically agreed to go ahead with this and the following suggestions were made for potential applications for funding: Ogilvie Homes, Cambo House, Kingsbarns Golf Club, Trust House Charitable Foundation. These are in addition to Mr Bisset's suggestions.

8 Councillors' Reports:

Cllr Docherty has been asked to get involved in the charity 'Include Me', which promotes citizen advocacy. It would like to be active in this area and is looking for volunteers who can spare 2 to 3 hours a month to become citizen advocates and make a difference to the lives of vulnerable adults in the community. This could be someone who is affected by learning disability, physical or mental health issues, chronic illness, autism spectrum disorder and the aim of Include me is for these people to be active participants in the community. Anyone who would like to be involved, please phone 01334 656242.

Cllr Linda Holt reported that East Neuk Community Forum will be meeting on 21st August at Crail Town Hall and reminded the meeting that everyone – community councils and general public – are invited to attend.

9 Any other business

9.1 Sea Road: There are many potholes in Sea Road, and the Secretary agreed to notify Fife Council. Cllr Holt suggested emailing Sara Wilson who has taken over from Kevin Smith. Nigel Hampton is in charge of resurfacing.

9.2 Shop: Colin Chapman reported that the shop is for sale and although the KCDT is interested, it has emerged that the sale is for the business not the premises and is leasehold. As a result no progress has been made.

9.3 Bicycle Path: Maria Azeredo de Dornelas expressed an interest in the new cycle path proposals and Martin offered to copy her in to the emails, which was accepted. The problem with progress has been resistance of landowners. Ulrike reported on the inability to use the old railway line for this reason.

12 Date and time of next meeting Monday 2 September, 7pm
Kingsbarns Memorial Hall.

A summer cheese and wine party was held after the meeting and greatly enjoyed by all present. Many thanks to Fiona Ramsay for organising the food and drink.