

Kinghorn Community Council.

Minutes of the meeting Thursday 11th December 2008 at Kinghorn Community Centre

1. **Present:** - John McLeod (Chair), Fraser Ballantyne, Alex Cook, Collett Salvona, , Rena Wallace, Alex Gibb, Marilyn Edwards (Secretary) Cllr Ron Edwards
Members of the Public – 6 people present.
2. **Apologies** - Neil Chalmers, Sadie Wilson,) Martin Melvin, John Lancaster, Sgt Edith Potter, Cllr Susan Leslie and Cllr George Kay
3. **Police Update** – none available, it was reported that one light was out at the pedestrian crossing. This would be reported to Transportation services. Cllr Edwards said that lighting in Park Place had been out for some weeks despite Scottish Power giving assurances that they would repair the problem quickly.
4. **Minutes from the previous meeting.**
Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Alec Cook and seconded by Fraser Ballantyne.
5. **Matters Arising**
 - a) Update on the recycling points in Kinghorn
 - A special meeting had been held with Chris Woodend Environmental Services to discuss concerns over a proposed new recycling point at Orchard Road Kinghorn. KCC notes from the meeting were circulated. The secretary read out an email response from Chris Woodend which stated the new recycling compound would not go ahead until a traffic management survey had been carried out and appropriate safety measures installed. Then a three month trial would go ahead followed by further consultation with residents as to whether the facility should remain on a permanent basis.
The secretary had requested an update on progress with a new proposed Barclay Road site but had no reply as yet.
 - b) Conservation Boards in Kinghorn – The proposed cost for each board was £2,500 which seemed a lot of money. One board was proposed for installation at St Leonards Place and a second at Townhead but finances would need to be found for the second one.
 - c) Christmas lights would need financing at a cost of £10,000 upwards with £2500 for maintenance and installation each year. It was a large sum of money to think about and a possible alternative mentioned was a summer floral enhancement.
 - d) Dog fouling on The Braes Kinghorn – Cllr Edwards reported that The Braes and Castle Mount areas had been cleaned up recently. He had inspected the area with Mark Horsborough from Community Services
 - e) It was reported that the Parish Hall Common Good Application for funding for upgrading had been successful
 - f) The secretary had contacted Andrew Ferguson, Fife Council to ask if he could give a talk to the Community Council about Common Good land in Kinghorn. He asked if he could leave this until next spring as he was still resolving questions about Common Good Land highlighted from his visit to Burntisland Community Council.
 - g) Cllr Edwards mentioned that new directional signage had been erected for Kinghorn Community Centre, this may need some tweaking but was an improvement.
 - h) The secretary would check to ask if the work on the cemetery steps was complete. It was agreed to set up a sub group to come up with ideas for the enhancement work. John McLeod, Alex Gibb, Lyn and Douglas Gray all offered to help with ideas for this.
6. **Planning Issues**
Two Planning Applications were considered for comment.
 - a) Planning Application 08/03159/CFULL – Site at Darney Terrace by Golf Clubhouse
There were no objections from the community at the meeting. The concern at the meeting was that conditions of planning were in compliance.
 - b) Planning Application 08/804071/CFULL – 79A Pettycur Road Kinghorn
Concerns were expressed about the access to the new build but no objection was decided upon.

7. Correspondence

A list of correspondence was circulated.

A Kinghorn Common Good Application had been received from Friends of the Earth for £950 towards an initiative to give every household in Kinghorn a free re-usable cotton shopping bag. It was felt that Friends of the Earth was a national based pressure group rather than a Kinghorn Community Group so it was not appropriate to use Common good Funds in this way. The general feeling remained that individuals should be allowed to make up their own minds on supporting the reduction or elimination of plastic bag waste. The secretary would write to Liz Box, Committee Administrator with these comments.

8. New Business

- a) Special meeting to discuss Community Councillor relationships – this meeting had been requested by a Community Council member who had circulated a letter along with the request. The meeting supported the Chair for turning down an offer to hold an informal meeting with one member, as a Community Council functions as one body. It was agreed that the Chair would seek advice from Fife Council on the best way to deal with the matter.
- b) The Kinghorn Pathways Booklet was printed and available. It was agreed to hold a launch for the booklet in the New Year with some special guests. The secretary would contact Sandy Valentine, Alison Irvine and others to see when they were available.

9. Public Question Time

none

Date of Next Meeting – 7.30pm on Thursday 15th January 2009