

Kinghorn Community Council.

Minutes of the meeting Thursday 13th December 2007 at Kinghorn Community Centre

- 1) **Present:** - John McLeod (Chair), Alex Cook, Alex Gibb, Marilyn Edwards (Secretary) Rena Wallace (Treasurer) Collett Salvona, Martin Melvin, Neil Chalmers, John Lancaster and Fraser Ballantyne.

Cllr Ron Edwards Cllr Susan Leslie, P.C. Wauchop
Members of the Public – 13 people present

- 2) **Apologies** – Sadie Wilson, Sgt Scott Johnston, Cllr. George Kay,

3) Presentation of Prizes to Community Website Children's Writing Competition

The Chairman presented Rosslyn Skinner with a certificate and voucher for her poem. Michaela Drummond the other prize winner was not present.

- 4) **Police Update** – As Sgt Scott Johnston was on holiday P.C. Wauchop attended the meeting to give the report. He said that crimes of petty thefts, minor vandalism were still an on going matter. The Caravan Parks remained the most common areas targeted and the security of properties was important. The question of the illegal pathways sign on the B923 road entrance to the Grangehill was mentioned as to whether this was a police matter or not. The secretary read out the reply she had received from Alison Irvine, Access Officer FC. This said that she would arrange a meeting with Mr Hazle about removing the sign when Sgt Scott Johnston was available to go along on his return from holiday. It remained an issue of concern and a matter that the public wanted to see resolved.

5) Minutes from the previous meeting

The minutes were proposed by Collett Salvona and seconded by Alec Cook.

6) Matters Arising

- a) Illegal Pathways Sign at entry to FK11 from the B923, this had already been discussed. The secretary said that Alison Irvine had asked if she could add walks from the Kinghorn Community Website for inclusion in the • glocal paths layer• h onto the core paths map for Fife that she was also collating. This was agreed.
- b) Steps, bollards and related issues at Kinghorn Beach/ St James Place, the secretary read out her response from Dave Frew Transportation Services which stated • g that this area of St James Place is not an adopted Road and therefore Transportation Services is not responsible for Health and Safety in this public area. • h He suggested that if St James Place was a Right of Way that Alison Irvine should be informed. The secretary said that she would forward his email to her for comment. The Cllr Edwards said that the Estates Department for Fife Council were looking at this matter and as it was an active situation the Community Council would wait to see at present.
- c) Lack of maintenance of toilets at Kinghorn Beach – Councillors said that there was capital money available for maintenance of the toilets and work should go ahead in January. Maintenance would be by local arrangement as at present.
- d) Planning issues
Erection of Two-storey Dwelling House on land south of Castlerigg The plans for these were shown at the meeting. It was agreed that the secretary would write to Planning and express concerns about access to the property from Burntisland road. This was deemed very near to the patrol crossing for the school.
Disability access for the Parish Church Hall was also viewed.

7) Correspondence

- a) Fit n Fun in Fife magazine These to be displayed in the Community Centre.
b) The TUUT Charitable Trust News Update – This was noted.

- c) F.C. Community Services – leaflets about Fife Culture Talk Challenge, poster to be given to the Community Centre for display.
- d) Letter and Questionnaire from The Ecology Centre – Primetime project for those fifty and over. It was agreed that people could express their individual support if they wish rather than a collective approach from the Community Council.
- e) Postwatch Scotland – News sheet and letter inviting volunteers for a mail delivery study An email had been sent to some members so that they could take part if they wished. The Newsheet was available for reading.
A question was raised about the possible closure of Kinghorn Post Office next year. It was confirmed that it was not named in the present round of consultation for closures. The secretary was asked to make further enquiries with the proprietor of Kinghorn Post Office and the Post Office service.
- f) Floral Enhancement Grant – email from Gordon Hynd F.C. Community Services The secretary had inquired if the Community council could apply for this but we were too late for this year.
- g) Letter from Kinghorn Harbour Residents and Environmental Group entitled Local Issues – these issues had been passed to councillors for their attention.
- h) Email from Cllr Edwards about the proposals for the new Hovercraft and Ferry Services for Summer 2009 These were very welcome proposals and would benefit the area.
- i) A written report from the councillors was handed round to those present at the meeting.
A new recycling point was proposed for Barclay Road. An update was requested for when work was to begin on the Pettycur Road Recycling point. The number of containers were to be increased, a wooden compound to be built around it and a closed bin installed for general rubbish.

7) Discussion of Kinghorn Pathways Booklet

Ron Edwards gave a presentation of all the pathways that were available on the Kinghorn Community Website. These had been collated by the Kinghorn Pathways Group and Ron had written and compiled them for the website. Ron then showed the pathways and maps on the web made by Mike Gilbert a local resident. The meeting endorsed all the hard work put in by Ron and Mike and agreed to proceed with publishing the pathways into a small pocket-size booklet that visitors and local people could use. These would be sold at a small cost not yet determined.

It was suggested that Kinghorn/Burntisland Rotary Club had a licence for printing Ordnance Survey Maps and may be able to help with making maps available in the booklet, without further additional cost. It was agreed to take out the pathway which crossed Burntisland Golf Course and ask to replace it with Mike Gilbert's pathway going up to the Binn and back to Craig Kelly.

Two alterations were put forward for the core path network around Kinghorn. Using the Craigenalt Farm road rather than the parallel alternative route because it was more attractive and using the track along the side of the field to Mid Mire rather than through the Tam O'Lowrie field. Ron would pass on these proposals to Alison Irvine

8) Kinghorn Community Website Blog –

As time was limited it was agreed to leave this to a future meeting.

9) Any Other Business

- a) It was brought to the attention of the meeting that Fife Council Community Services were contracting a company to do rabbit shooting on Kinghorn Golf Course. Concerns were expressed about public safety, it was agreed that the Councillor Leslie would take up this matter with Scott Clelland, the contact from Community Services.
- b) Refurbishment of the steps at the side of the cemetery leading down to Pettycur Bay and the creation of a viewpoint and sitting area. It was agreed to take this forward as a project of the Community Council. The Chairman agreed to write a report to submit for funding.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 17th January 2008 at 7.30pm in Kinghorn Community Centre.