

Kinghorn Community Council.

Minutes of the meeting Thursday 15th January 2009 at Kinghorn Community Centre

1. **Present:** - John McLeod (Chair), Fraser Ballantyne, Alex Cook, Collett Salvona, Alex Gibb, Rena Wallace, Neil Chalmers, Sadie Wilson, Martin Melvin, Marilyn Edwards (Secretary) Cllr Ron Edwards, Cllr George Kay
Members of the Public – 12 people present.
2. **Apologies** - John Lancaster, Sgt Edith Potter, Cllr Susan Leslie
3. **Police Update** – none available, no issues raised at the meeting.
4. **Minutes from the previous meeting.**
Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Collett Salvona and seconded by Martin Melvin
5. **Matters Arising**
 - a) Update on the recycling points in Kinghorn – The secretary read out an update email from Chris Woodend explaining that Fife Council did not own the land area at the garage space in Barclay road. Cllr Kay and Cllr Edwards were in favour of installing a recycling point at the garages for a trial period to see if it proved satisfactory. The secretary was asked to write to Environmental Services to give support to the councillors suggestion. The Orchard Road trial recycling point was not yet ready to go ahead.
 - b) Work on the cemetery steps at Pettycur was in progress and a meeting would be set up with Ron Peat as soon as repair work was complete. A sub group was set up to assist with ideas for the enhancement work.
 - c) Special meeting for Community Councillors – the chairman reported that he had contacted Linda Purdie, FC Community Council support for advise on this. She suggested a development meeting for Kinghorn Community Councillors and would arrange this at a mutual convenient time.
 - d) Preparation for the Kinghorn Pathways Booklet launch – the chairman would arrange a date for this sometime in February at the Community Centre. A list of those to contact was made, preparation for the event would be shared between Chairman and secretary and Ron Edwards would look up pathways material for exhibition stands and displays.
- e) **Planning Issues**

One Planning Application was considered .

 - a) Planning Application 08/03159/CFULL – Site at Darney Terrace by Golf Clubhouse
Residents from Darney Terrace gave an in depth account of the proposed planning application and stated that their objection was not to a building going on this plot but to the size and incompatibility of the building proposed. Concerns were expressed about height being over bearing, with other properties along the street being bungalow style. The slope of the property, and lack of room to park a car in front of the proposed garage was also noted.. A particular concern was the effect a large foundation would have on the railway tunnel that ran beneath the site, and it was felt this should be investigated.
Community Council members agreed that there was cause for objection and would forward these to Development Services along with the residents objections.
6. **Correspondence**

A list of correspondence was circulated.

 - Finalised Fife Structure Plan – Scottish Minister's Proposed modifications
Chairman had looked through the report and made comment on it. The meeting approved that the comments should be sent in.
 - Kinghorn Conservation Area Interpretation Board
KCC was asked for comment on the wording and design of the proposed board. It was agreed to ask for the words in 4) The High Street to read
"The High Street is partially included in the conservation area. The Victorian sandstone tenements have attractive traditional shop fronts at street level.
The secretary would forward this change to Diane Barbary along with an enquiry to ask about the cost of a second board. Cllr Kay said that he understood that Development

Services would be making a request for part of the funding to come from Common Good monies. The members said that they understood that the cost of the conservation board was to come out of Development Services Budget and if asked they would not agree to Common Good monies being used for this project.

7. New Business

- a) Cllr Kay reported that he was still pursuing the matter of a direct bus through to Edinburgh via the coastal villages. He said that there was still a possibility of a hovercraft/ferry link between Burntisland and Edinburgh.
- b) The access to the industrial yard at the railway station was still a problem because of vehicles parking by the junction and preventing business vehicles getting passed. The chairman said that he would report this to Sgt Potter and Transportation Services to see what could be done.

8. Public Question Time

Comments were made about certain areas that required attention and tidying up around the town. Areas mentioned were

- The general mess behind the Post Office. It was agreed to send a letter to Environmental Services to ask them to contact the owner to clean it up.
- A group had formed to improve the area around the war memorial.
- The councillors had had a site meeting with Community Services to look at areas needing attention in Kinghorn.

It was agreed to take out the bushy plants around the old putting green, grass it over and replace it with a central feature.

The Doo Dells was also being considered for how it could be maintained.

A general tidying up of other areas was noted.

Date of Next Meeting – 7.30pm on Thursday 19th February 2009