

# Kinghorn Community Council.

## Minutes of the meeting of Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at Kinghorn Community Centre

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

**Members of the Public – 4 people present**

**Cllr. Ron Edwards, Cllr. Susan Leslie**

### 2) **Apologies** – Sadie Wilson

The Chairman welcomed the two new councillors present at the meeting.

- 3) **Police Update** – no Police Report available

### 4) **Minutes from the previous meeting**

The minutes were proposed by Collett Salvona and seconded by Rena Wallace.

### 5) **Matters Arising**

- a) Kinghorn Station improvements – The secretary had received a reply from Marilyn Livinstone MSP concerning the disability access on the Edinburgh bound platform at the station. She had contacted David Boyce, Network Rail Public Affairs Manager and would let us know when she had a response. It was agreed to wait for this reply then Ron Edwards suggested inviting him out to view the site. Susan Leslie suggested also contacting Quality Assurance.
- b) Email from Julie Samuel to say that the Board would wait for the Lochside Development Plans to come out on Fife Direct to view them.
- c) No response from KCLA
- d) Email communication with Don McCreadie concerning community landscaping was noted.
- e) Planning issues
- i) Letter from Development Services concerning planning application at Kinghorn Golf Club. Planning permission had been granted but was subject to the original Golf house having alterations completed before other work could begin.
  - ii) The Chairman read out a letter from a visitor to Kinghorn beach. It referred to the steps access adjoining Salmond Cottage, which was now denied. It was also mentioned that four posts for private parking had been put up along the road. The Community Council felt it was important to determine ownership of the areas involved, way-leave and any conservation issues. It was agreed to contact Transportation Services and Development Services to establish some facts.
  - iii) Building plans for the new nursing home at the Caberfeidh site in Kinghorn were displayed. There were no objections made at the meeting.

### 6) **Correspondence**

- a) Fife Access Forum Seminar to take place Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May, Rothes Halls Glenrothes – Making sense of Paths, work commitment did not allow anyone to attend as the time was 10 – 1pm. Disappointment was expressed.
- b) FC. Development Services. Kirkcaldy and Mid Fife Local Plan, Stakeholder Panel Community Workshop, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2007 10am. Rothes Halls Glenrothes. Again disappointment was expressed that this was to be held over the day.
- a) BDT letter informing new tel. Number and website details. This was noted.
- b) FET Information leaflets on funding for smaller projects like sports, leisure and community facilities. This could be passed on to appropriate groups.
- c) Sports and Leisure, Fit n' Fun brochure display in Community Centre.

- d) Take a Pride in Fife Newsletter, this was passed around.
- e) Letter and Submission form from Clean Coast Scotland concerning the reappraisal of Pettycur beach designation under the Bathing Water Directive. It was agreed that this was an important issue locally for if the beach did not have this then it would affect all that visited the area. The Chairman and Secretary agreed to get together to fill in the form and return it.

#### 7) Kinghorn Community Council Website

The free Local Channel website had been fine for getting things started but it was limiting and had grown very cluttered with various advertising. It was felt the time was right to venture out for something better. A number of people had received CDs to preview the website. It was now launched and up and running, BT technical support had been good to get it set up. It was hoped that it would be interactive with the community, constructive comments and ideas would be welcomed. Advertising could be accommodated down the side of the page and business pages could be added if requested. These could be of low rental as running costs were at a low level.

The Secretary had prepared a letter to go out to local groups and societies to ask if they would like to be included on the site and send information on any forthcoming events or activities that they may be planning. Rena said that she would ask the local tourist office to send on the weekly events programme for inclusion.

Another letter had also been prepared to go to local businesses to inform them about the new website and ask if they would wish to get involved.

The secretary had formulated a letter to take to Mr Beamish, Headteacher of Kinghorn Primary School to let them know about the website and invite pupils to take part in a competition linked to the gallery page. This page contained pictures of local views in differing seasons. The suggestion was that the children write captions, short stories or poems to accompany the pictures and prizes would be given for each age group and an overall prize for the best. It was hoped that the primary school liked the idea and would get involved.

Lastly, the chairman thanked Ron Edwards for all his work in creating the website and said he appreciated the time and effort that it must have taken. It was now important to advertise it widely.

#### 8) Any Other Business

- a) An update on the progress of the local nature reserve was given. It was reported that the first meeting between landowners and Allan Brown from Development Services had taken place and this had gone well. The landowners would now prepare statements to submit to Allan. The potential for substantial nature conservation is very good.
- b) The Chairman said that a booklet was coming out on the redevelopment of Kirkcaldy and it affected not just the town but outlying areas as well. He urged everyone to take an interest and get involved. Although the enterprise Kirkcaldy Renaissance had failed twice what was proposed now was much larger. A large housing expansion opposite the present Seafield estate and expanding further in land was proposed.
- c) Susan Leslie said that she hoped a new recycling point would be coming to Kinghorn and would keep people in touch with progress.

Date of next meeting

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2007 at 7.30pm in Kinghorn Community Centre.**