

Kingussie & Vicinity Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on Monday 12th February 2018 at Talla Nan Ròs

Present: Joe Taylor, Moira Thomson, Callum Arthur, Mairi Brown,
Neil Reid, Billy Munro, Cllr. Pippa Hadley, Neil Richards
(Police Scotland)

Apologies: Michelle McCormick, Sue Rowley, Alison Burnside



1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Proposed as correct by BM; seconded by CA.

2. Matters Arising

- a. JT reported on failings of Bank of Scotland. Letter has been sent, listing several complaints compiled from members of the community. Awaiting reply.
- b. PH reported on snow clearing in front of doctor surgery: was definitely supposed to be done, but this is clearly not always the case.
- c. PH to find out if defibrillator will be relocated to courthouse.

3. Police Report

NR relayed report from DC Ross Cooper.

- a. CCTV footage being reviewed re. recent break-ins. Advice to local retailers to tighten up own security. There is an increased police presence in Kingussie.
- b. Police are aware of ongoing issues with drugs in the area and have the names of several suspects. Appeal to the public to share any information they have to build up a complete picture of the situation - public to phone in (101) if seeing anything suspicious.

4. Treasurer's Report

- a. Details of finances attached.
- b. Invoice received for lollipop lady's shed - £480 inc. VAT (VAT had not been included in previous minuted amounts).
- c. Money has been bequeathed to the council by Audrey James. Figure to be confirmed - CA to contact solicitors.
- d. Query received from member of community re. money received from Tesco 'Bags of Help' scheme for purchase of new bench(es) - deadline for use of money has passed, but understood that we may still have some time. JT will contact Tesco to outline plans for spending the money in the near future.

5. Planning Matters

- a. CA will now be primary contact for planning matters.
- b. Nothing to report at the moment.

6. Highland Councillor's Report

As budget will be confirmed on 15th February, nothing to report at present.

7. **AOCB**

- a. Neil Reid formally co-opted as new member of council.
- b. "Good cause" sought for 2017 Gynack Fishing takings - suggested money could go towards new bridge or hanging baskets.
- c. National Park Local Plan - MB gave feedback from recent consultative meeting. Agreed that MB will submit response on behalf of council (due 2nd March) - any member wishing to give views should share these with MB by 27th February.
- d. Sue Rowley has resigned as secretary and as member of the council due to ill health. CA to receive any relevant electronic communication in the interim. Members to inquire in community re. finding a new secretary.
- e. Badenoch Heritage has been awarded funding to employ a development officer for three years. MB to be part of appointment process.
- f. Heritage Festival to take place last week in April. Kingussie PS to be involved in preparations.
- g. NR reported from group hoping to organise Kingussie Hogmanay celebration. Possible marquee for an outdoor party. Group to meet again soon.

8. **Date of next meeting**

Monday 12th March, 7pm at Talla nan Ròs

**Kingussie & Vicinity Community Council
Treasurer's Report
12th February 2018**

Main Account

Opening Balance 5726.89

Expenses

British Legion (Remembrance Wreath) 30.00

Talla nan Ròs Room Hire 72.00

Available Funds 5624.89

(This includes £1000 from Tesco Bags of Help, for the purchase of new benches)

Reserve Account (Gala Day)

Balance 1860.99

Pending Expenses

Lollipop Lady's Hut 480.00

Available Funds 1380.99

Total Available £7005.88