

**Meeting of the Kirkhill & Bunchrew Community Council**

**Minute of Meeting, 7:30pm, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

**Community Councillors Present:**

Fred Geddes, Cameron Kemp, Judith Rumbold, Lindsey Stout, Karen Young.

**In attendance:**

N/A

The meeting was held in person at Kirkhill Community Centre in the Williamson Room.

<b>1. Apologies</b>	<u>Actions</u>
<p>Apologies were received from all the local Councillors and from Community Councillor Ally MacNeil and Alison Mackintosh, Associate Member.</p>	
<p><b>2. Minute of Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b></p> <p>The draft minute of the last meeting was circulated at this meeting. There were two minor amendments. Following these corrections, the minute was proposed to be accepted as correct by Fred Geddes, seconded by Karen Young.</p>	
<p><b>3. Matters Arising from the Minute of Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b></p> <p><b>Millennium Garden repairs to boardwalk</b></p> <p>The Community Council has not heard back from A.C.T. members about repairs at this time.</p> <p><b>Noticeboard</b></p> <p>Lindsey Stout took some out-of-date notices down from the noticeboard in the village and noticed that most were old advertisements for businesses. She suggested that before we install a new noticeboard we should hold a survey on Facebook to gauge interest in a new noticeboard for the village in order not to waste money on a noticeboard which might not be used. Lindsey Stout to action.</p> <p><b>Road Speeds</b></p> <p>Work has begun on traffic calming for the 20 m.p.h. speed limit in Beauly.</p> <p><b>Dog fouling</b></p> <p>10 large and 10 small dog fouling penalty notices were received from the Highland Council. Farmer Ian Weir has given permission for some to be erected on the Groam Farm/Fingask</p>	<p>L.S.</p>

<p>circuit and others are to be attached to lamp-posts in the areas highlighted by members of the community: in the area between Mansefield Park and Wardlaw Road, in Newton Park and on the Groam Farm/Fingask Farm circuit. Lindsey Stout to action.</p> <p><b>Fireworks</b></p> <p>Karen Young is to contribute on behalf of Kirkhill &amp; Bunchrew Community Council to the Scottish Government consultation on fireworks from an agricultural and wildlife perspective, to promote the use of silent fireworks.</p>	<p>L.S.</p> <p>K.Y.</p>
<p><b>4. Planning Issues</b></p> <p><b>22/06048/FUL</b></p> <p>Erection of house on former smiddy Kirkhill Smiddy, Kirkhill, Inverness, IV5 7PD</p> <p>The Community Council briefly discussed this application and considered that the proposed building is too large for the site and that the façade is too close to the road. We have asked to be a Statutory Consultee on this application but have received no objections from local residents.</p>	
<p><b>5. Police Matters/Other</b></p> <p>Two residents emailed to complain about disturbances in Newton Park, Kirkhill over the weekend of 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> February and on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February. This was caused by a large group of teenaged boys and girls knocking doors and ringing bells. Police were contacted. Councillor Emma Knox has also informed the police on behalf of residents on 28<sup>th</sup> February and will keep the Community Council and residents informed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><a href="https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us">https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us</a></p>	
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p><b>Vacancies for Community Councillors</b></p> <p>There are presently two open vacancies for Community Councillors; we have 7 members plus one extra member due to our rural location, meaning 8 altogether. Lindsey Stout is to advertise for new members, to be co-opted by the present members until the next election; younger members, youth members, members with young families and members from minorities are not currently represented. Existing Community Councillors are also to ask around.</p>	<p>L.S.</p> <p>All</p>

<p><b>Emails</b></p> <p>Lindsey Stout is concerned that when she is on holiday, often without internet reception, or busy with work and family life, emails are not being forwarded timeously to the other Community Councillors. Lindsey is to look into automatic forwarding of emails. This would mean that all the Community Councillors would receive all the emails, including the spam.</p>	<p><b>L.S.</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Further Dates of Meetings, 2023</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Williamson Room, Kirkhill Community Centre, 7.30pm to 9pm</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesdays:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">14<sup>th</sup> March 18<sup>th</sup> April 30<sup>th</sup> May 15<sup>th</sup> August (A.G.M.) 26<sup>th</sup> September 7<sup>th</sup> November 5<sup>th</sup> December</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please contact us on <a href="mailto:kandbcommunitycouncil@gmail.com">kandbcommunitycouncil@gmail.com</a> if you would like to attend a meeting.</p>	