

Kingussie and Vicinity Community Council Meeting

Monday 28th September 2020 at 7pm

September Minutes

Zoom meeting

1. Present: Moira Thomson (MT) Liz Duncan (LD) Jon Bailey (JB) Janet Kinnaird (JK) Pippa Hadley (PH) Muriel Cockburn (MC) Ken Deans (KD), Patrick Bell (PB).
2. Apologies: Neil Reid Gayle Borthwick Bill Lobban.
3. Declaration of interests: None.
4. August Minutes: Proposed by JB and seconded by LD.
5. Matters Arising:
 - Footpath between Tait's Brae and Gynack Road. PH confirmed that the residents are happy to have the footpath redirected and with better signage. CNPA access officer can direct re funding and JK to meet with Fiona Mitchell (resident) to see what needs to be done. Fiona Mitchell also advised to contact enforcement officer Ed Swales re incomplete landscaping by the developer. **Action JK**
 - Flag for clock tower now purchased MT to contact NR JK to contact Malcolm Thain. **Action MT and JK**
 - Letter of support for motor home stop has been sent. KD intimated that the golf club have put in an application to Green recovery Fund to pursue this. **PH** suggested that a member of the community was also pursuing sites for motorhomes.
 - Bins are all (except 1) painted and KVCC are happy with the red and blue detail, which will now be completed on all the bins. **MT** congratulated all those who took part for their efforts.
 - It was agreed that £500 from the SSE fund will be given to Kingussie Primary School to support their outdoor learning activities. PH suggested there could be a link with KHS to make furniture for outdoors. However given the current circumstances that will not be an option.
 - PC Richards no report.
 - Deirdre Falconer unavailable

6. KD and PB Padel Court.

KD set the Padel Court in context of current developments in the town. There is now both a working group for the Padel court and the Pump Track. Dochfour Estate originally gifted the land and when the Badenoch Centre was being developed it could not be used as a car park. Abbeyfield House have been consulted on the plans and they believe it is a good use of the space. The Padel court would be a first for High Life Highland -Douglas Willoughby- can take into the portfolio for High Life and can run it with no additional staffing costs. The next step is a feasibility study and community engagement. The projects -Pump Track and Court- can run as two individual projects or one. KVCC will draft a letter of support. **ActionJK**

7. Gardens Update he works on the Duke Gardens has started and there will be a meeting this week with the contractor and consultant. The interpretation boards are being refurbished and it is hoped the whole project will be completed for December. Access can be made available to the war memorial should there be a service in November. MT is not sure that will be going ahead.

8. Treasurer's Report:

- The current bank balances stand at £12721. Only the flad account is outstanding.

9. Planning Applications since the last meeting

- Erection of extension to house, Little Milton Kingussie PH21 1NS, Local Authority to decide.
- Erection of extension and balcony to house, Cruachan, Dalnavert, Feshiebridge PH21 1NQ, Local Authority to decide.
- Erection of 22 apartments, formation of access road, SUDS, landscaping. Land 65m south of 22 Kerrow drive. Called in by CNPA. Comments made. Issues; not clear if haul road to be provided and lack of integration with overall 300 house development. Approved 1st September 2020. Awaiting reply from CNPA on comment status.
- Erection of steel portal framed building and removal of dilapidated sheds, Land 45M SW Of Croftside Market Lane Kingussie, PH21 1EP. Local Authority decision.
- Erection of 23 houses and garages with associated roads, infrastructure and landscaping, land to NE and W of Dunbarry Terrace & Kerrow drive. Representation made to CNPA. Will be published prior to planning meeting. Date not decided yet. Asked to speak at meeting but not confirmed yet. Course to be run for

KvCC by CNPA on speaking at planning meetings. Process still not clear.

- Erection of 23 affordable houses at Land 115M SE of Craig An Darach, High Street, Kingussie (Bennets Way), marked as a concept design and heard at planning committee meeting 25/09/2020. Approved. KVCC Comments sent to CNPA for consideration. Issues same as other two developments proposed for this area. MT, EAD and JB listened into planning meeting.
- 20/02964/FUL | Erection of bothy | Land 400M SW Of Farmhouse Killiehuntly Kingussie; under consideration.

10. There was a great deal of discussion centred round the planning applications in the Dunbarry Area. This was essentially about the haul road and access from Dunbarry Road. PH elaborated on the planning history and the history she has with application items 14,16 and 17. PH was asked if she would speak at the planning application for item 16 but did not give a definitive answer. There were a number of questions yet to be answered by CNPA planning dept.

KVCC may undertake a survey of the usage of Dunbarry road to get a clearer picture for planning.

11. Gavin Myles is happy to arrange planning training for KVCC. Action JK

12. Badenoch Centre renaming. MC would pursue this further with Liz Cowie the Ward Manager. She is also going to find out who is currently responsible for Tala Nan Ros in light of the dreadful state of the grounds around it. **Action MC**

13. Kerb Appeal. Shirley Nield and KVCC are to put heads together to see how the look of the High Street can be improved and be uplifted. Landlords are responsible for the upkeep of buildings including shops. MC informed the group that the council could only step in when there is a danger to the public. MT to meet with Shirley Nield.

14. AOCB

- Climate Change Conference in London .KVCC will not be represented.
- RSPB Event . Jon and Liz to attend.
- Community member has come back to KVCC as the issues of her waterlogged garden have not been resolved. PH has written to the appropriate person in HC for a resolution.MC and PH to work together to resolve the issue. **Action MC and PH**
- Dunbarry Play Park. An accident took place there two weeks ago resulting in a child being hospitalised overnight. Concerns were raised

that this piece of equipment was deemed safe yet inspections ought to have taken place before equipment was used following lockdown. PH has spoken to concerned residents re improvements and vandalism. Currently if the council removes equipment it will not be replaced. However if the community buy equipment then the HC will maintain it. MC to contact Mossie Park group to offer support and to investigate buying power options.

Action JK to give MT the funding address for KCDC

- LD raised the issue of 20 MPH in the town especially in streets with no pavements.
- Recruitment of members. KVCC to consider this for next meeting.

Next meeting: 12th October

Date for AGM is 9th Nov.