

Approved Minute of the Kintore and District Community Council

Held 7:00pm on Tuesday 15th June 2021 by Zoom video conference.



KINTORE AND DISTRICT
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Welcome

Chairman, Jamie Grant welcomed everyone to this meeting of the Kintore and District Community Council.

He thanked Wilma Walker for participating in the recent ballot and for attending tonight's AGM and monthly meeting. Wilma is considering whether to become an associate member of the KDCC and will advise the chair of her decision prior to the next meeting.

The Kintore and District Community Council ballot took place on Thursday 3rd June 2021 and the following nominees were elected for a three year term: Jamie Grant, Alan Milne, Moira Moran, Bill Duthie, Donna Heron and Janine Cracknell.

1. Attendees and Apologies

Community Councillors Present – Jamie Grant, Ken McEwen, Bill Duthie, Janine Cracknell, Moira Moran, Paul Davison, Kenny Thomson, Lesley Monaghan, Alan Milne, Donna Heron

Ward 12 East Garioch Councillors Present – Cllr Martin Ford, Cllr Glen Reid

Member of the Public – Wilma Walker

Apologies - Cllr Dominic Lonchay, Drew Cullinane

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the May Meeting

a) **Corrections** – There were no corrections to the 2105 May 2021 minutes.

b) **Approval** – Approved by Bill Duthie, seconded by Moira Moran.

4. Matters Arising; Update on Open Actions

There are no matters arising. The open actions are updated under the relevant agenda points and a full update of the action points can be found in **Appendix A**.

5. Police Report & Update

The police reports for April 2021 and June 2021 are detailed in **Appendix B**. The chair talked through the figures from the June 2021 report. It was noted that there continues to be increased visibility of the car patrols in and around Kintore. There were no questions raised regarding the police reports. The secretary commented that Sergeant Burnett has advised that all contact is best directed through her and direct contact details for the community officers would not be appropriate. Once the KDCC commences face to face meetings, the secretary will send invitations to the community officers via Sergeant Burnett. **Action**

6. Urgent Items of Business

There were no urgent items of business raised.

7. Planning Matters

The planning contact for KDCC has provided a summary of the relevant planning applications. This can be found as **Appendix C**. The chair advised the other community councillors that a planning sub-group consisting of 3 or 4 KDCC members will be set up to be involved in the planning matters. This planning sub-group will have a nominated leader and will be in place prior to the next meeting. This sub-group would be responsible for checking and monitoring the applications through the stages, drafting any correspondence required and reporting back on its activities at each KDCC meeting. Any actions taken by the sub-group would be put to the vote for transparency of the decision-making process. This would spread the workload across the sub-group members, and everything would be shared with the chair and secretary for minuting purposes. There were no queries regarding this raised by the members of the KDCC. The secretary and chair will circulate an email requesting volunteers for this sub-group shortly. **Action**

a) **A96 Inverurie Bypass**

The planning contact reminded the KDCC members of the decision made over email to approach the other impacted community councils. This is in the hope to formulate a collective appeal to the Scottish Government Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport (Michael Matheson). Paul offered to draft the email and circulate for comments from the other KDCC members after the meeting. **Action**

b) **APP/2020/1999 Scotia Homes/Town Park/Woodside Croft**

Cllr Ford reiterated the unanimous decision to refuse taken at the Garioch Area Committee on 1st June 2021. He went on to outline the possible outcomes going forward. The applicants have the right to appeal, and this is strongly expected for the Town Park. This appeal would be to one of the Scottish Government Reporters who will take an independent and fresh look at the decision to refuse. An appointed representative from Aberdeenshire Council Legal and Governance will defend the decision taken by the Garioch Area Committee (who had the delegated authority to decide on this application). The two specific policy reasons given for the refusal will form the basis of the Aberdeenshire Council defence. The applicant could apply for planning permission with a different design or even the same one, although this is thought to be unlikely. The KDCC would be permitted to appear at the appeal or make a written submission as a body who made a representation to the application. At this point Alan Milne, community councillor, left the meeting and did not return due to an emergency first responder callout.

The planning contact queried if there is any parity with the appeal process concerned with the 2016 ANM refused application that was successfully appealed in 2018. It was commented that at the appeal the Aberdeenshire Council appointed representative did not refute some of the claims made in ANM appeal submission. Cllr Ford reiterated that the appointed representative would present the best defence possible in their judgement, but there is always the possibility of the decision going against Aberdeenshire Council. Another member of the KDCC stated there has been apocryphal stories in the national press that the decision of councils are overturned in the majority of appeals. Cllr Ford surmised that the developer may state that what Aberdeenshire Council granted planning permission in principle on is not possible to deliver. It is possible the Scottish Government Reporter could grant permission as the original scheme with planning permission in principle is found to be undeliverable.

Cllr Ford advised that there are 3 months to appeal the decision. This period is taken from the date of the application refusal letter to the developer from Aberdeenshire Council. The expectation is that the action to lodge an appeal will be quickly actioned.

c) APP/2020/1324 Kirkwood/Agile Energy

The site visit by the Garioch Area Committee Councillors took place on 25th May 2021. The application was then discussed at the GAC meeting on 1st June 2021. The comments have been collated and will be passed to the full council for the decision to be made by at full council. The GAC comments and questions ranged from a supportive tone regarding the application to a less supportive tone.

d) APP/2021/0864 & APP/2021/0865 Yardhill Of Cottown, Kintore

The chair responded to this retrospective application on behalf of the KDCC via email on 7th June 2021. This response was added to the application on 8th June 2021. The KDCC response is found as **Appendix D**. The main concern is the extremely poor condition of the unclassified road leading to the premises.

e) The KDCC planning contact highlighted some current applications relating to signage off the A96 from Marshalls and C&M McDonald, comparing them to the previous ANM signage application at Thainstone. A discussion followed regarding possible perceived inconsistencies. An application, APP/2021/0686 that is coming to Garioch Area Committee on Tuesday 22nd June was also discussed. Cllr Ford explained the voting order for the Garioch Area Committee. The first proposal is the motion, then next is the first amendment with stated conditions and so on. The votes take place as pairs and the order is as they were proposed.

8. Action Kintore

a) The Bothie Update – Ken McEwen advised the structure of The Bothie continues to be a focus of concern. The overall wooden structure of the building is secure and safe. The challenge of the lime render slippage on the strawbales continues. The builder who constructed The Bothie in 2013 has stated it was constructed as per the design specifications and drawings. Therefore, they feel they are not responsible for rectifying the problem. The worst affected section of wall has been fenced off to keep any bystanders safe from any potential falling render. Suggestions have been made to take off the damaged render, repair the straw as required and then clad the building with Swedish pine or Scottish larch. The chair of Action Kintore, Brian Johnstone, has checked with Aberdeenshire Council Planning and this would require a planning application to be made. Fundraising is going to be necessary in a short period of time to carry out the required repairs. The Action Kintore chair has been researching into the Garioch Area Initiatives Fund to see if that could provide some funding. This is looking like a possible positive source for funding. Cllr Ford did express some surprise at the design at time of the original planning application for The Bothie. Cllr Ford has some limited experience of strawbale building construction and the roof is usually directly supported by the strawbales. This is not the case at The Bothie. Cllr Ford advised that a specialist strawbale expert be consulted before any action is taken to ensure the solution is suitable for the construction of the building. Strawbales have to breathe otherwise they will rot. This is why lime render is usually chosen. Another characteristic of strawbale buildings is the extra wide roof overhang, The Bothie does not have an excessively wide overhang.

b) Town House Project – Not much progress on the Town House Project from last month's update. Aberdeenshire Council have approached Action Kintore to consider taking over the area around the Town House. The public car park has been categorically declined, but the possibility to take over the other open area is being considered. The historic plan to lift the tarmac and put down flagstones was approved but the funding was diverted elsewhere, and the project did not proceed in 2013. This would be of benefit to the square if it could be achieved going forward. The possibility is being discussed between Aberdeenshire Council and Action Kintore. Action Kintore will update KDCC on any developments accordingly.

9. Kintore Fireworks

All attendees agreed that this item should remain on the agenda until after the hoped for event in the autumn. It will be the first major community gathering since the covid-19 pandemic started in March 2020. The deposit from the cancelled 2020 display has been carried over with Fireworks Scotland. All KDCC members agreed it would be incredibly positive for our community for this to take place and every effort should be made to achieve this. The chair proposed setting up a sub-group in the coming months to be responsible for organising and delivering this. **Action** Moira asked if the higher amount of insurance paid by KDCC was due to the personal liability associated with this event. It was confirmed to be the case. The question of whether the Thainstone fireworks were going ahead was also discussed. It is not known at this time whether they are or not. The chair confirmed that the KDCC should monitor as to whether the other local firework displays are scheduled to take place.

10. Live Life Aberdeenshire & sports facilities provision

The KDCC agreed to invite one of the contacts from Live Life Aberdeenshire to attend a KDCC meeting to discuss Kintore's facilities and requirements in comparison to the LLA study. Cllr Ford advised the best contact would be John Harding, head of service, and agreed it would be beneficial to have a presence at a KDCC meeting in the near future. Cllr Reid commented that Tim Stephen, Service Manager – Facilities and Funding is who he has been dealing with on a number of issues. The chair and secretary are to compose an invitation to an appropriate LLA representative. **Action**

11. Kintore AEDs Update

As Alan had left the meeting, the secretary advised that the report will be attached as **Appendix E**. Any questions relating to this can be forwarded to Alan for comment after the meeting.

12. Community Council Forum Update

Paul and Kenny represented the KDCC at the Community Council Forum held on 8th June 2021. There was a comprehensive presentation on Resilience. A new chairperson of the Garioch Community Council Forum has been elected, Fiona Bick from Echt & Skene Community Council. Paul has circulated information on the other Garioch community councils websites to all KDCC members on the 14th June 2021. The chair commented on how informative it was and could lead to some additions to the newly refreshed KDCC website. The chair commented that some of the other local community council websites have input from different organisations. Inverurie Community Council (ICC) <https://www.weareinverurie.co.uk/inverurie-community-council> is a good example of

numerous contributors working together to produce an impressive resource. Kintore's website has similar potential with other local organisations utilising the same hub. Paul commented that some links to helpful information, specifically regarding Resilience and Emergency Planning, on Aberdeenshire Council's own website would be beneficial. The attendees agreed.

13. Garioch Small Grants Fund & Resilience / Flood Recovery Fund

The chair is looking for a sub-group to take the lead on this before the weather worsens in autumn. All KDCC members are to consider whether they wish to be part of the Resilience sub-group. The chair and secretary are to send out an email to all KDCC members requesting 3-4 volunteers to lead on resilience and flooding for Kintore.

Action. The chair currently has stewardship of the existing Kintore Resilience Plan, this needs to be reviewed and would be handed to the resilience sub-group for ongoing management. The resources that are available will need to be audited during the summer to ensure they are sufficient should flooding happen this winter. Paul commented that it would be useful for any emails that require responses by a deadline, such as grants or consultations, to be added to the actions list. The action list will be managed by the secretary and updates will be sent to the secretary by the action owners. The secretary will send out weekly updates and bespoke reminders to the appropriate action owner when a deadline is approaching. **Action**

14. Community Projects for Kintore

The grant application process is involved and lengthy to a greater extent than was initially appreciated. There is also the requirement for matched fundraising prior to applying for grants. This has meant that as yet no grant has been applied for relating to Rollo Mire. This potential project is still very much under consideration. A community project sub-group is proposed to take this and the other community projects forward. The feasibility of each project needs to be explored by this sub-group before the grant application process is commenced. The chair highlighted the need to work with other community groups to facilitate more effective fundraising. The chair has received some enquiries regarding upgrading the Kintore Play Park (off Hallforest Drive) to be of a similar standard as other local towns. A provisional costing for upgrading a play park has been suggested at £60K-£100K. The chair has been in discussions with a local resident who is interested in leading this initiative. The possibility of there being a Community Project Partnership with the assistance of KDCC has been suggested. Cllr Reid has requested a review of all the play parks in East Garioch Ward as there is an inequality in the provision in across the ward.

- a) **Repainting the Royal Burgh of Kintore Signs** – Cllr Reid provided Margaret McWilliam's email details to the chair. The chair has emailed Margaret to advise the KDCC has been granted permission to remove, repaint and replace the signs whilst retaining stewardship of the signs throughout. The chair is awaiting a response from Margaret McWilliams to advise what materials are required. The chair will advise the KDCC members once this has been received in order to progress the item. **Action**
- b) **Litter Picking Equipment** – The chair has had an email discussion with Sustainable Kintore regarding the litter picking trial that has been running in Kintore. The three bins are located at 47 Northern Road, the top of Forest Road and the far end of Kingsfield Road. The chair will maintain contact and if the trial proves to be successful, the KDCC can take the lead on funding to purchase additional

equipment. Lesley advised that there are three local residents who are going up to Tuach Hill to clear up the litter left on a Monday morning. It has been noted that there have been parties taking place over the weekends in recent weeks. At least six black bags are being filled with bottles and cans etc on a weekly basis. A discussion followed about how this could be best communicated to the wider community. It was decided to thank the volunteers on the Facebook and to Aberdeenshire Council for taking away the black bins. Lesley is going to ask for permission from the three residents before any Facebook entries are posted and advise Ken once this has been obtained. **Action** It was commented that Facebook is utilised for the parent and grandparent generations, the younger people use different social media apps. Also, as this area is at risk of wildfires, it is concerning that any glass that is left could act as a focus for the sun's rays and lead to a wildfire starting. It was highlighted that Sustainable Kintore, the scouts and other local residents are also litter picking in and around Kintore and it was agreed to thank these groups on Facebook as well.

Action

- c) **Kintore website** – This was already discussed in item 12. The new website is live and has all the information that was on the previous version. There are some additional items that need to be added. The chair will post the minutes once they are approved for public access and the latest month will be pinned at the top of the KDCC page on the Kintore website. The chair welcomes any additional information from the other KDCC members that would be beneficial to add to our page. The chair is intending to post information regarding local businesses of the same type on the business page. He will post all the cafes at the same time to ensure each business receives the same level of promotion. Moira has offered to assist the chair with contacting the local businesses. The chair would welcome additional assistance with the ongoing management of the website. All KDCC members are to consider whether to volunteer as an administrator on the website and advise the chair accordingly. The login details are generic and could be shared. **Action**

15. Aberdeenshire Councillors' Update

Cllr Ford had already given a comprehensive update to the planning under item 7. The by-election to replace Fergus Hood is taking place on Thursday 17th June 2021 and there are 5 candidates. Cllr Reid advised that he has been in touch with Susan Adam regarding the current status of the Town House clock and the Square Fountain. The Fountain has been referred to FES as of today. The watertightness of the fountain is to be assessed and once this has been successfully established, training of the community volunteers to carry out the basic maintenance will follow. There is no update regarding the clock, this is still outstanding.

16. Correspondence

Some of the correspondence has been discussed earlier in the meeting.

- a) **Community Council Grant 2021/2022** – This will be released by Aberdeenshire Council once there is satisfactory receipt of KDCC accounts and minutes.
- b) **A96 Community Development Fund** – The chair and secretary are to look into the detail of this fund and the KDCC members are asked to consider whether there is anything that could be applied for. **Action**
- c) **SSEN – Kintore Community Liaison Group** – There is a request for a representative from KDCC to attend the KCL meeting on Thursday 24th June 2021.

Moira and the secretary have volunteered to represent KDCC on the SSEN Kintore Community Liaison Group. The secretary is to contact Dav Lynch from SSEN to advise. **Action**

- d) Consultation of Local Place Plan – Closes 25th June** – There is a link on the email to add comments and all KDCC members are welcome to add their thoughts as appropriate. The consultation relates to the proposed regulations required for the implementation of the Planning (Scotland) Act 2019.
- e) The Queen’s Green Canopy Project** – The secretary advised that the KDCC has been contacted regarding this initiative to mark the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee celebration next year. The first planting for this is coming up in autumn. Community councils and other groups are being asked to consider how many trees, where the trees could be located and also the preferred species of trees. Cllr Ford highlighted a millennium project that was executed by Newmachar Community Council. Trees were planted in two spaces between the field boundary and edge of the road. These trees have had an incredibly positive impact on the approach to the village from the south. Perhaps something similar on public land could happen in and around Kintore. The suggestion to try and screen off the industrial developments at Midmill was discussed. There was general agreement this area could be made more attractive with some trees. Cllr Ford highlighted the necessity to provide aftercare to the trees for a considerable period after planting and there is a percentage of wastage that needs to be figured in. The cost of protecting and maintaining the trees is known to cost more than the actual saplings themselves. The scale of the project for Kintore could be on any scale dependent on the level of community interest. The email relating to this will be circulated following the meeting by secretary. **Action**
- f) Training opportunities for community councillors** – Following the completion of the ballot and the elected community councillors being finalised, there is the opportunity to access on-line training immediately and face to face training through Aberdeenshire Council (when restrictions allow). The secretary asked for the KDCC members interested in accessing the on-line training or the face to face training to email advising accordingly as log-ins need to be requested from the area office. The secretary also highlighted the importance of reading and understanding the Aberdeenshire Council Community Council Handbook. This document clearly states the roles and responsibilities of a community council. When correspondence is sent by one member of KDCC, all of the community councillors are equally accountable. The secretary will circulate the Aberdeenshire Council Community Council Handbook to all KDCC members. **Action** The KDCC members will advise the secretary if they wish to attend either on-line training or face to face training (when available). **Action**

17. Treasurer’s Report

The balances of the accounts and movements on the accounts were discussed during the AGM meeting. The closing balance of Kintore and District Community Council Bank Account is £2,411.25. The Kintore and District Community Council Floral Display Bank Account is £422.76.

18. AOCB

- There was general disappointment within KDCC that the hoped for on-line hustings for the East Garioch Ward by-election did not come to fruition. It was acknowledged that this would have been a beneficial service to provide to the community. It is

accepted that the short period of time to organise such an event, ensuring all candidates were invited and involved, was the core reason for not succeeding. Permission was requested and granted by Aberdeenshire Council's pre-election team in Legal on 8th June 2021 and all candidates and their agents were emailed by the chair following this. Positive responses were received from all candidates eventually but sadly there was insufficient time available to the chair to organise the event. Going forward, this is something the KDCC will consider for future democratic events. Cllr Ford made the general observation that volunteers who used to post candidate leaflets through letterboxes for past elections are no longer available. Social media has taken over as the source for candidate information and it had been noted that there seems more apathy within the community to recent elections. Cllr Reid advised that to leaflet just one location it takes a number of volunteers and several hours. This is why the more rural addresses within and outwith Kintore do not always receive literature before an election.

- The Scottish Government Deposit Bottle Return is due to be introduced from 1st July 2022. The scheme is designed to make it easy for the Scottish population to recycle single use drinks containers. A deposit of 20pence is charged when the drink is purchased, and this deposit is returned when the empty container is returned. All meeting attendees are asked to be aware of this scheme and to promote it within the community. More information can be viewed online at <https://depositreturnscheme.zerowastescotland.org.uk/>
- The large tiered floral display that has been located on the Elm Way/School Road junction outside Floral Request has been moved to outside the Town House. The requirement to move the floral display was advised at short notice by Aberdeenshire Council Roads after a near-miss incident involving a tractor and car at the junction. Cllr Ford was contacted by a relative of one of the involved parties and he referred the location of the planter to Aberdeenshire Council Roads for a road safety assessment. The Aberdeenshire Council Roads decided there was a road safety matter that required the relocation of the floral display. Both Cllr Ford and Cllr Reid advised the attendees that matters of road safety can be raised directly with Aberdeenshire Council via the website or through one of the Cllrs. Both routes receive the same level of priority once raised to Aberdeenshire Council Roads.

19. Date of next monthly meeting – Tuesday 17th August 2021.

KDCC agreed to have the summer break in July and therefore the next monthly will be August; 7 KDCC members voted for and 2 KDCC members voted against.

Appendix A – Update on open actions

| Date Raised | Date Closed | Owner | Comments |
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| 20/04/2021 | 15/06/2021 | JG/JC | The Chair will forward the police report for April 2021 to all attendees once received. The secretary has requested the April 2021 police report from new contact. The secretary is to request contact details from Sergeant Burnett for Constable Chris Williamson and Constable James Stewart. The secretary is to request from Sergeant Burnett the outstanding detailed police report for the period 16 Mar – 15 Apr 2021 for KDCC future reference. The secretary is to query how the recent unrest and vandalism in the centre of Kintore is reflected in the Police Report. The secretary is to extend invitations to Officer Williamson and Officer Stewart once KDCC face to face meetings have re-commenced. |
| 20/04/2021 | | JG/PD | A letter is to be written to the ICC asking for thoughts on a joint Aberdeenshire Canal community project. The chair and Paul will make further contact with Mr Colin Wood, ICC, with regards the potential joint canal project. The KDCC chair has been in correspondence with the chair from ICC, but as yet no discussion regarding a potential joint canal project. Paul has prepared a proposed text which is being considered by the chair. |
| 20/04/2021 | | JG | The Chair is to arrange a meeting to discuss and agree the chosen project/s from the short list of potential community projects. |
| 20/04/2021 | 15/06/2021 | KM/GR/JG | The Vice Chair is to confirm with Margaret McWilliam that she is still prepared to repaint the signs if permission is granted. Cllr Reid has agreed to request and provide Margaret McWilliam's contact details to KDCC to progress the repainting of the Royal Burgh of Kintore Signs. |
| 20/04/2021 | | MM/PD/JG | Maira, Paul, and the Chair are to draft a letter with a view to requesting the affected residents could sign to indicate their agreement with remaining within the boundary of the KDCC. The letter has been prepared and signatures are being requested. |
| 20/04/2021 | | LM | Lesley is to identify which Midmill Industrial Estate business is causing the noise pollution and advise Cllr Reid. |
| 18/05/2021 | 01/06/2021 | JG | The KDCC is to reach out to all interested parties to discuss a collective approach regarding the Town Park. The KDCC will discuss and agree how to |

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| | | | respond to the revised report over email and social media prior to the 1 st June GAC meeting. |
| 20/04/2021 | 15/06/2021 | GR | Cllr Reid agreed to contact Susan Adams regarding the fountain in the Square and advise Drew and the KDCC accordingly. |
| 20/04/2021 | | JG | The chair will contact the community groups involved in the clean-up of Tuach Hill to offer the KDCC thanks for all their efforts. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JC | The secretary is to extend invitations to Constable Chris Williamson and Constable James Stewart via Sergeant Debbie Burnett once the KDCC commence face to face meetings. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JG/JC | The secretary and chair will circulate an email requesting volunteers for the planning sub-group shortly. |
| 15/06/2021 | | PD/All | The planning contact is to draft the email to the other impacted community councils and circulate to the KDCC members for comment. This will appeal for a collective approach in communicating with the Scottish Parliament Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport (Michael Matheson). |
| 15/06/2021 | | All | A sub-group is to be set up to focus on the hoped for Fireworks display in the autumn. |
| 15/06/2021 | | All | A sub-group is to be set up to focus on resilience and flooding in preparation for the worsening weather. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JC | The secretary is to add response dates to emails and consultations. These will be added to the open action list and managed by the secretary to completion. |
| 15/06/2021 | | All | A sub-group is to be set up to focus on the community projects for Kintore. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JG | Confirmation from Margaret McWilliam regarding the required materials to repaint the Royal Burgh of Kintore signs. The chair is awaiting a response. |
| 15/06/2021 | | LM | Lesley is to request permission from the three residents who are clearing the rubbish from Tuach Hill every Monday for their names to appear on Facebook. Once obtained, Lesley is to advise Ken. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JG/JC/KM | Linked to above action. A Facebook post thanking Sustainable Kintore, the scouts and other residents who are litter picking in and around Kintore is to be drafted. |
| 15/06/2021 | | All | All KDCC members are to consider if they wish to be an administrator on the Kintore website and advise the chair accordingly. |
| 15/06/2021 | | JG/JC/All | The chair and secretary are to look in detail at the A96 Community Development Fund and all KDCC members to assess whether there is anything that could be applied for and advise the chair and secretary. |

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| 15/06/2021 | 15/06/2021 | JC | The secretary is to advise Dav Lynch, SSEN, that Moira and herself would be the KDCC representatives for the CLG. |
| 15/06/2021 | 15/06/2021 | JC | The secretary is to circulate the email communication regarding the Queen's Green Canopy Project to mark her Platinum Jubilee. |
| 15/06/2021 | 15/06/2021 | JC | The secretary will circulate the Aberdeenshire Council Community Council Handbook to all KDCC members. |
| 15/06/2021 | | All | All KDCC members are to advise the secretary if they wish to access on-line training or face to face training (when available). |

Appendix B – Police Reports for April 2021 & June 2021



GARIOCH COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM
VISIBLE, ACCESSIBLE AND EFFECTIVE

Community Council: Kintore

Reporting Period: 16 March – 15 April 2021

Previous Reporting Period: 15 February – 15 March 2021

Current Policing Priorities:

Our priorities remain unchanged from last month, with a slight amendment to ASB to include Licensed Premises.

1. ASB – Proactive patrols to provide community reassurance and to deter/detect instances of ASB and Vandalism. To reduce instances of ASB as a result of the re-opening of Licensed Premises.
2. DRUGS – Intel gathering and disruption tactics to target those dealing drugs and related violence.
3. ROAD SAFETY – Preventative measures and enforcement action to ensure our roads are safe to use.

Crime Overview and Explanation:

| CRIME TYPE | CURRENT PERIOD | PREVIOUS PERIOD |
|-------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Assault | 0 | 0 |
| Housebreaking | 0 | 0 |
| Public Nuisance | 4 | 2 – Social Media Posts |
| Road Traffic | 7 | 2 – Fail to stop after minor accident and no insurance and a vehicle in a dangerous condition |
| Drugs | 3 | 0 |

Assault – Includes all recorded instances of violence.

Housebreaking – includes all break in's to domestic and commercial premises, including attempted break in's.

Public Nuisance – All youth annoyance and calls in relation to anti-social behaviour.

Road Traffic – all calls in relation to Road Traffic Accidents and Offences (speeding, illegal parking, obstruction etc).

Drugs – all reports incidents in relation to drugs dealing and use.

Assault:

There have been no incidents of assault reported during the period.

Housebreaking:

There have been no reported incidents of Housebreaking.

Public Nuisance:

All Covid related calls have been recorded as Public Nuisance by our Control Room to ensure all such calls are recorded under the one call type and easily researched. There has been one call during the period where suitable advice was provided.

This reporting period has seen Public Nuisance calls remain low, with four incidents being reported. Enquiries are ongoing to trace persons responsible for damaging property at the scout hut along with a small fire made by persons in an outside area close to the primary school. It is believed this was set whilst persons were sitting outside.

Road Traffic:

There have been no reported accidents during the period.

There have been 7 'other' calls in relation to Road Traffic, which consist of road defects, speeding, mobile phone, and other road traffic offences.

Drugs:

During this reporting period there were 3 'drug related' calls, all of which relate to persons being in possession of a controlled substance.

Significant crime/issues within your community:

As above during the reporting period, there have been no significant crimes or highlighted issues of concern.

As ever there continues to be numerous reports and instances of fraud, online and over the telephone. I would again urge residents to be extremely cautious and not give out bank details or any details over the phone. There has been recent concern over a text message which is being sent out purportedly from Royal Mail asking for a fee to be paid to deliver a missed parcel. It appears very authentic but is a scam message and will ask for bank details after clicking on a link.

Planned Community Policing Activity/Advice:

We will continue high visibility patrols which will increase as more premises being to open.

There are no planned operations.

Conclusion:

The re-opening of Licensed Premises will be considered over the next few weeks and the situation will be monitored as the restrictions ease. Community Policing will continue to focus on reassurance and patrolling during this time.

Debbie Burnett

Sgt

PS 0141



GARIOCH COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM
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Community Council: Kintore

Reporting Period: 18 May – 15 June 2021

Previous Reporting Period: 16 April – 17 May 20

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Crime Overview and Explanation:

| CRIME TYPE | CURRENT PERIOD | PREVIOUS PERIOD |
|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Assault | 1 | 2 |
| Housebreaking | 0 | 0 |
| Public Nuisance | 2 | 3 |
| Road Traffic | 5 | 3 |
| Drugs | 1 | 3 |

Assault – Includes all recorded instances of violence.

Housebreaking – includes all break in's to domestic and commercial premises, including attempted break in's.

Public Nuisance – All youth annoyance and calls in relation to anti-social behaviour.

Road Traffic – all calls in relation to Road Traffic Accidents and Offences (speeding, illegal parking, obstruction etc).

Drugs – all reports incidents in relation to drugs dealing and use.

Assault:

This reporting period has seen one Assault reported, which is a slight decrease from the last period. It relates to a youth on youth assault and enquiries are ongoing to trace the person responsible.

These incidents will have no impact on the wider community.

Housebreaking:

There have been no reported incidents of Housebreaking.

Public Nuisance:

All Covid related calls have been recorded as Public Nuisance by our Control Room to ensure all such calls are recorded under the one call type and easily researched.

This reporting period has seen Public Nuisance calls remain low, with two incidents being reported. A male was charged with anti-social behaviour and enquiries are ongoing to trace the persons responsible for causing damage at the primary school.

Road Traffic:

There have been no reported accidents during the period.

There have been 5 'other' calls in relation to Road Traffic, which consist of road defects, speeding, mobile phone, and other road traffic offences.

Drugs:

During this reporting period there were 1 'drug related' calls which related to a person being in possession of a controlled substance.

Significant crime/issues within your community:

There have been no significant incidents to report.

Planned Community Policing Activity/Advice:

As the warmer now appears to be here, a reminder about checking the security of your property, even when at home, especially leaving ground floor windows open when you are in another part of the house.

Conclusion:

The re-opening of Licensed Premises is continuing to go well and will continue to be monitored especially due to various sporting events taking place and larger groups of people meeting up. Community Policing will continue to focus on reassurance and patrolling during this time.

Debbie Burnett

Sgt

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Appendix C – KDCC planning actions May-Jun 21

Pending

APP/2021/0686 [Thainstone Bus Park: Removal of condition requiring Port Elph rdbt mods](#). Concern is that council will rewrite other conditions. Separate motions for conditions and approval?

APP/2021/0391 [Erection of signage \(retrospective\) alongside A96 at Broomhill roundabout](#). C & M McDonald. KDCC objected: distraction & public safety hazard. TS objected – distraction.

APP/2021/0686 [Thainstone business park non-compliance with condition 8](#). ANM applied to defer Port Elphinstone road mods until 3100m² buildings occupied (10% total area) instead of at start of occupation. Further example of piecemeal development. KDCC objected.

APP/2021/0616 [Erection of Fence 10 Tuach View Kintore](#). 1.8m fence around house at corner of Tuach View & Nicol Rd - open-front garden area. KDCC objection addressed community, security & visual impact.

APP/2021/0525 [Crichie development- non-compliance with conditions 1c & 3 \(foot and cycle path connection\)](#). Dandara applied to disapply requirements for footpaths to Port Elphinstone for 1st 150 houses. KDCC objected, but asked for route under A96 Don bridge to be deleted from condition. Housing not needed – Abshire population falling.

Refused

APP/2021/0712 [Northbound Erection of Signage](#) Marshall's Farm Shop Kintore AB51 0XD. Advance warning sign for turn-off to shop. Distracting! More distracting than APP/2020/1156 ANM sign?

APP/2021/0710 [Southbound Erection of Signage](#) Marshall's Farm Shop Kintore AB51 0XD. Advance warning sign for turn-off to shop. Distracting!

APP/2020/1999 [Town Park enabling development](#). & **APP/2021/0422** [Revised s.75 agreement](#).

- Still no Town Park.
- Planning Service reports to committee were disappointing: selective, incomplete and unconvincing.
- Planning is about land use. The plans had OP2 for housing and R2 for Town Park. APP/2020/1999 was a significant change to this.
- 18 May KDCC comments on APP/2020/1999 still not on portal
- Text of proposed revised s.75 agreement not made clear – why not give existing and proposed texts?
- APP/2017/0288 s.42 application significantly changed the conditions required for Town Park.
- Construction fencing still on site.

Approved

APP/2021/0829 [Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse](#) Gartchonzie 1 Allandale Gardens Kintore AB51 0UT. 2 e/s bedroom extension to 1m of fence.

APP/2021/0794 [Erection of Cabin \(Retrospective\)](#) Cottsway Kintore AB51 0YA.8mx5m wood cabin in domestic garden.

APP/2021/0791 [Erection of Shelter/Storage Room](#) The Residence Midmill Kintore AB51 0UY Addition of garden room in 4 car parking spaces.

APP/2021/0685 [Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse](#) Glendale Broomhill Kintore AB51 0XB. Small extension as permitted development.

APP/2020/2025 [Formation of SUDS Basin in Association with Adjoining Development and Change of Use of Land to Domestic Plot 9](#) Woodside Croft Mid Mill Kintore AB51 0UY

Decided

APP/2020/1324 [Thainstone Energy from Waste plant](#). Comments from Garioch Area committee passed on to full council with no recommendations. District heating an uncertainty.

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APP/2021/1251 [Erection of Building \(Class 4\) and Formation of Car Parking Space](#). Land South-West Of Cairnhall Kintore. 10m x 6m x 3m wood building for gas pipeline magnetometers. Consult: 15 Jun; Public: 02 Jly

APP/2021/1214 [Formation of new vehicular access](#) Old Police House Northern Road Kintore AB51 0YF

APP/2021/1140 [Section 37 Consultation for East Coast 400kV Overhead Line Upgrade](#) Kintore To Kincardine/ Notification under Electricity Act 1989.

APP/2021/1074 [Alterations and Extension to Workshop](#) Unit 15 - 16 Camiestone Road Thainstone Business Park AB51 5GT

APP/2021/0864 [Erection of Workshop/Storage Shed \(Retrospective\)](#) Yardhill Of Cottown Kintore AB51 0YA Public: 17 Jun. No application form! KDCC objected – damage to U103C road.

Appendix D – KDCC Chair response re APP/2021/0864 & APP/2021/0865 Yardhill Of Cottown, Kintore

From: [Hilary Wilkinson](#)
To: [Planning Online](#)
Subject: FW: APP/2021/0864 (also APP/2021/0865) - haulage business operation in Cottown/Hartshill without planning permission
Date: 07 June 2021 12:13:17

Please upload as a consultation response

From: Jamie Grant <chair.kdcc@gmail.com>
Sent: 07 June 2021 12:11
To: Hilary Wilkinson <hilary.wilkinson@aberdeenshire.gov.uk>
Cc: info@kintorecommunitycouncil.co.uk; Planning <planning@aberdeenshire.gov.uk>
Subject: APP/2021/0864 (also APP/2021/0865) - haulage business operation in Cottown/Hartshill without planning permission

Dear Ms Wilkinson,

I appreciate we have missed the deadline for consultee comments on this application, APP/2021/0864. However Kintore and District Community have been concerned for a long time about the state of the U103C road from the B994 junction at Cottown to Leschangie. This narrow road has a large volume of lorries and heavy traffic and suffers from near-constant potholes and other damage, requiring frequent repair. KDCC objects to any development on properties using this as an access road until the road is upgraded to a state adequate to cope with the heavy traffic.

A lot of the reason for the damage to the road has been that much of the development along side the road has been new industrial use or incremental extension of premises without planning permission. This appears to be the case for this haulage yard at Yardhill of Cottown. We therefore request that planning permission be refused for this retrospective development unless the U103C road is upgraded to a standard suitable for the current volume of traffic, to which this operation already contributes.

The application form for APP/2021/0864 has not been published on the planning portal. This might give some justification for requiring retrospective planning permission. So we would like to be able to comment further when the application form is made available.

Kind regards,

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20. Appendix E - Kintore AEDs


Zoll AED 3 Semi- Automatic

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|-------------|----------|-------|-------|------------------------------|------|------|--------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery secure | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery Power % Level | | | 79% | | | | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | AX20B047005 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | AU19JAD1773 | | | |
| Pads Replace Date | 25/04/2025 | | | | Pads Serial Number | | | | 0420C | | | |

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No1, Hallforest

Press & hold the power on button for 10 seconds. Once screen comes on, press the information icon(i) bottom left of the screen you will see the battery %


Zoll AED 3 Semi- Automatic

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|-------------|----------|-------|-------|------------------------------|------|------|--------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery secure | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery Power % Level | | | 79% | | | | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | AX20B046905 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | AU19JAD2991 | | | |
| Pads Replace Date | 25/04/2025 | | | | Pads Serial Number | | | | 0420C | | | |

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No2, Kintore School

Press & hold the power on button for 10 seconds. Once screen comes on, press the information icon(i) bottom left of the screen you will see the battery %


Zoll AED 3 Semi- Automatic

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|-------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------------------|------|------|--------|-------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery Power % Level | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | | | 79% | | | | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | AX20B047014 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | AU19JAD1776 | | | |
| Pads Replace Date | 25/04/2025 | | | | Pads Serial Number | | | | 0420C | | | |

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No3, Midmill

Press & hold the power on button for 10 seconds. Once screen comes on, press the information icon(i) bottom left of the screen you will see the battery %


Zoll AED Plus Semi- Automatic

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------------------|------|------|--------|--|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Batteries secure | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery power % Level | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | X15D752383 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | 10 Duracell High Power Lithium 123 Battery 3 V, | | | |
| Pads Replace Date | 15/11/2025 | | | | Pads Serial Number | | | | 8900-0800-01 | | | |

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No4, Wellpark Road (Co-op)

AED Plus self-test has detected a low battery. Press the Battery Reset Button located in the battery compartment after replacing ALL batteries in the device with new batteries.


Philips HeartStart FR2

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------------------|------|------|--------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | X | X | X | X | X | X | | | | | | |
| Battery Power % Level | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | B14C-00407 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | B03202504 | | | |
| Pads replace Date | 04/2022 | | | | Battery Replace Date | | | | 04/2025 | | | |

Sounder not working after being opened and left to the elements.

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No5, The Square

Heart Sine 360p Automatic

|  | January | February | March | April | May | June | July | August | September | October | November | December |
|---|-------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------------------|------|------|--------|--------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Outside of Cabinet is Clean | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet in good condition | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet has power | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Heater is working | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Cabinet sounder working | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | | | | | | |
| Batteries secure | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Battery power % Level | OK | OK | OK | OK | OK | OK | | | | | | |
| Green ✓ visible | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are connected | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Pads are sealed | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| Confirm Gloves, Razor & Gloves | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | | | | | |
| 1/4 Function Test | | | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Checker Initial | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | AM | | | | | | |
| Unit Serial Number | 20E90003563 | | | | Battery Serial Number | | | | Combined with PADs | | | |
| Pads Replace Date | 2025/01/01 | | | | Pads Serial Number | | | | A3922 | | | |

This Check-Sheet is for AED Unit No6, Kintore Railway Station
CODE for Cabinet C159X