

## **Approved Minute of the Annual General Meeting of Kintore and District Community Council meeting Held at 7.00pm on 20th June 2023 at Kintore School and online**

### **Welcome**

As Chairman had already left Moira Moran welcomed everyone to the 2023 AGM meeting of the Kintore and District Community Council. She thanked everyone for nominating themselves and for attending tonight's meeting as an interested Kintore resident.

The Kintore & District Community Council nominations took place during June 2023 and the following nominees became members, Paul Davison, Rachel Lewis, Ashleigh Gall, Lesley Monaghan and Claire Campbell. All elected office bearers had stepped down prior to the AGM therefore Cllr Gifford agreed to chair the meeting until the Chair had been elected.

### **AGM**

#### **1. Attendees and Apologies**

2. Community Councilors Present –, Ken McEwen, Moira Moran, Paul Davison, Lesley Monaghan, Donna Heron, Rachel Lewis, Ashleigh Gall and Alan Milne
3. Apologies – Claire Campbell, Jim Reid
4. Ward 12 East Garioch Councilors Present Cllr Jim Gifford, Cllr Trevor Mason
5. Apologies – – Cllr Glen Reid, Cllr Dominic Lonchay,

6. **Minutes of the last AGM** – Approved by Jim Reid and seconded by Paul Davison.

7. **Chair's Report** – Jamie Grant had summarised the last year and had emailed his report prior to the meeting. The chair's report highlights the major projects KDCC have been focused on, such as the Coronation Day celebration, the Flower arrangements and Kintore Konnect. **See Appendix A**

8. **Treasurer's Report including the Annual Accounts** – Moira gave an update on the accounts and confirmed the accounts had been approved. There have been minor movements on the accounts. The closing balance of Kintore and District Community Council Bank Account is £10,340.70, although it must be noted that there were large invoices that require payment in April. The Kintore and District Community Council Floral Display Bank Account is £3080.41.

9. **Election of Chair** – Moira Moran, nominated by Alan Milne and seconded by Paul Davison. Moira then took over as Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

10. **Election of Vice Chair** – Jim Reid was proposed by Lesley and seconded by Alan Milne.
11. **Election of Treasurer** – Jim Reid was proposed by Moira and seconded by Ashleigh
12. **Election of Secretary** – Moira was proposed to continue as secretary by Lesley and seconded by Alan.
13. **Dates agreed for the monthly meetings for the next 12 months** – It was agreed to continue to meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Video conference via Zoom will continue as an option while our main focus will be meeting at Kintore School. Historically, KDCC has not met in August and December. The next monthly meeting of Kintore & District Community Council will be held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The next Annual General Meeting of the Kintore & District Community Council will be on 18<sup>h</sup> June 2024.

**6 The monthly meeting of Kintore & District Community Council will take place immediately following this Annual General Meeting.**

## APPENDIX A

### June 2023- Kintore and District Community Council – Chair Report

Another busy year for Kintore and District Community Council, and my last one as Chair. Over the last 3 years there have been plenty of challenges to deal with, not least Covid which happened as I started. It was a difficult period for obvious reasons, for many people, and it has taken a while to get out of it, and into the new normal. This past year we have been able to meet each month in person, utilizing the Kintore School once again, but have maintained our hybrid format with members able to join via Zoom.

Just prior to our last AGM, we took on responsibility for the local magazine, Kintore Konnect, after Lorna let everyone know that she couldn't continue, the feedback on Facebook made it clear that the community would miss KK, so as a committee we decided to take it on. This has been one of the highlights of my time as Chair, there is a huge amount of work goes in to produce the magazine, and Lorna and her team had been doing an amazing job for years. The first issue we complete was a steep learning curve, many hours on the computer fitting everything into place but as a team we made it work. Thanks go to Moira and Jim, in the early days of planning what we would do, and Ashleigh for also stepping up and taking on editing of the latest issues, it's been a team effort but a success too. With fresh ideas, interesting stories and the support of the community, especially local businesses, the magazine has continued to be well received and it is in good hands with the community council for the future.

One of the reasons I got involved in KDCC initially was helping at the fireworks, this was the first thing I did in 2019, not knowing anyone and just getting stuck in. Little did I know the next event I would be running, and another, with last years one being a big challenge but a highlight of the year. Rising costs meant it took me persuading people that we could do it, knowing it was risky, but the community and weather played a part and we had a brilliant night with live music, food and entertainment on the field. The success meant we could manage the cost increase and will be able to entertain everyone again this year. Again, hats off to the team for organizing and getting stuck in on the day, these events take a lot of effort from a team of volunteers.

Last year Ruby MacKay approached about putting on the street party in the Square, for the Queens Platinum Jubilee, another great day out, which was repeated this year for the King's Coronation. These events have been a brilliant example of local community groups getting together to help out and put on a show for the community, great vision from Ruby and she was never short of volunteers, a busy event this year should solidify this as a regular occurrence in the Kintore calendar and long may it continue.

Other community groups have been busy, and I've been fortunate to be involved in several, with Rotary having a busy year of tippy tea parties and other fun fundraising activities, as well as the Kintore Summer Festival putting on another brilliant day out recently which was well attended. The fundraising committee for the Christmas Lights also had a great end of year celebration last year with the light switch on, which was also well attended.

The theme in this past 12 months has been the people of Kintore, after a few years of little to no events, each one arranged since the Platinum Jubilee has been amazingly well attended, so credit to all of the community for getting along and supporting the local community groups and the local businesses. Talking of the local businesses, they have been brilliant this last year, too many to mention have helped our community, whether it is donating funds to

events, sponsorship or lending manpower, it's been brilliant to see how many have got involved and wanted to support Kintore, so my thanks goes to all of them.

Planning matters are still a key element of what KDCC do, this last year hasn't seen too many larger applications, the main discussions have been around the Town Park enabling plans at Midmill, and various power sites, with battery storage facilities and the upgrades at Leylodge. There will be a lot of work to do for the committee in representing the public in these cases, the next year might be a busier one again.

Finally, as mentioned at the start I will be leaving KDCC at the AGM, I've enjoyed the last 3.5 years immensely, and would continue if I hadn't moved out of Kintore to Kemnay. But there are some new faces in the last couple of months, who have all stepped up to commit to KDCC and get involved in the community, along with long serving members with a lot of experience. I wish them all well, and hope that there is support from everyone to continue the work being done for Kintore, there is a lot happening and I'm sure the next year will be just as busy. I'll be looking forward to seeing how things go as I'll still be attending and helping out at events where I can.

Jamie Grant, Chairman, Kintore and District Community Council