



KINTORE AND DISTRICT
COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Approved Minutes of the Kintore & District Community Council

Held on Tuesday 18th November 2025 at 7pm by Zoom Video Conference only

1) Welcome and Apologies

Community Councillors Present:

MM (Chair) Moira Moran, LM Laura Murrie, JC Janine Cracknell, AC Angus Cheyne, EL Eve Lamond, AM Alan Milne, RS Rod Smith, KM Ken McEwen, AW Anne Wels, DM Dave MacAllan

Ward Councillors Present:

CLlr Jim Gifford, CLlr Dominic Lonchay, CLlr Trevor Mason

Members of the Public Present: Wilma Walker

Apologies:

FG Fabio Greatbatch, FB Fiona Brown, JM June Morrison, CLlr Glen Reid

Welcome:

The Chair welcomed attendees and noted apologies. The meeting began with informal greetings and technical checks for participants. The Chair confirmed that the meeting would proceed with a near full attendance. The quorum had been reached with 10 of the 12 community councillors present.

a) Update on Co-options and Associate Members

This relates to actions 2025/10/01 and 2025/10/02. AW has been confirmed as a co-opted community councillor and the co-option form has been sent on to the Garioch Area Office. JM has been confirmed as an associate member of KDCC and the data protection form has been sent on to the Garioch Area Office. The attendees welcome AW and JM to KDCC.

2) Declarations of Interest

None declared.

3) Minutes of the October 2025 Meeting

a) Corrections:

No corrections were raised during the meeting. The Chair noted that minor amendments had already been made prior to circulation.

b) Approval:

Approved- Laura Murrie. Seconded - Eve Lamond.

4) Matters Arising; Update on Open Actions

All attendees were reminded that action updates are sent to LM via vicechair.kdcc@gmail.com.

- **2024/09/04 – RS to organise water pump training for members of the Kintore Resilience Group.**
The training was scheduled for 11/10/2025 but was cancelled due to insufficient rainfall. RS has taken over ownership of this action from JR.
Update (Nov): Training postponed to the new year due to lack of water. **Action in progress.**
- **2024/09/06 – RS to validate the list of Kintore Resilience volunteers and update any contact details.**
This will be completed at the same time as the water pump training. RS has taken over ownership of this action.
Update (Nov): To be completed at the same time as water pump training. **Action in progress.**
- **2024/10/18 – LEM to email Cllr Lonchay with details of the missing reflective black post next to the bus stop at the junction with School Road and East Park Road.**
The email has been actioned and a reply from Aberdeenshire Council Roads has been received. The post will not be replaced, although the location will be checked to ensure the tarmac is flat. Concerns were raised again regarding what could happen when there is snow covering the kerb. There was a discussion regarding whether further action was required. It was agreed that MM would write to Aberdeenshire Council Roads highlighting this potential safety issue.
Update (Nov): MM confirmed letter sent; awaiting Council response. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/02/02 – JR to purchase AED, Cabinet and sundries for Midmill School. MM to liaise with Aberdeenshire Council to have the AED installed once it has arrived.**
The AED was installed on 19/05/2025 and is live on the AED network. MM has been liaising with the community groups who have agreed to contribute to the cost of the AED alongside KDCC. A photograph will be organised with the groups presenting the AED and the member of the public who suffered the cardiac arrest that initiated the AED being installed.
Update (Nov): Awaiting group photograph. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/03/12 – MM to provide the contact details for the Kemnay Community Councillors who are interested in attending the pump training to RS .**
This is linked to action 2024/09/04 and will be actioned by MM once the date for the pump training is known. The pump training was cancelled on 11/10/2025 due to insufficient rainfall. This action will be carried over until the training has taken place. RS has taken over from JR as the resilience contact.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/03/16 – FB to feedback to SMT at Kintore School that a feature designed and written by the pupils for Kintore Konnect would be welcomed.**
FB raised this at the recent Kintore School PTA meeting. There was enthusiasm for the pupils being involved in the Kintore Konnect, but the publication cycle of the magazine is problematic. FB will be contacting Midmill School regarding whether they would like to provide something for the Kintore Konnect going forward. It was agreed to leave the action open whilst FB investigates possible solutions.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**

- **2025/03/18 – FB to request at the PTA meeting for Kintore School pupils to provide a guy for the bonfire fire.**
 FB is collecting the guy from Kintore School on 31/10/2025.
 Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/03/21 – JR/MM to investigate into the payment issue for the debit cards with the account provider.**
 JR has spoken to the account provider and the issue is being investigated. JR has confirmed there is still an upper limit issue when purchasing online. This does not occur when purchasing in person. RS and LM have debit cards for both accounts. This action will remain open until it can be confirmed whether the problem persists for the new card holders.
 Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/04/08 – JR requested photos and biographies to be provided by LM, RS and FB for the “Meet the Community Council” page on the Kintore website.**
 AC has taken over managing the Kintore website. A reminder has been made of this requirement, only FB’s photo and bio is outstanding.
 Update (Nov): AW is requested to also provide a photo and bio to add to the website. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/05/03 – MM/LM to approach other community groups, such as the weekly Church drop-in and sheltered housing premises regarding the Community Action Plan. It was also agreed to ensure Kintore’s young people are engaged in the process, through the schools and The Bothie.**
 Update (Nov): Community Action Plan results have been received and analysed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/05/08 – EL is to work with MM and FG to update the Fireworks plan.**
 The plan is due to be updated with further amendments.
 Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/05/09 – MM will submit the updated licence once the Fireworks plan is updated.**
 This action is linked to action 2025/05/08 and will remain open until the updated licence has been approved.
 Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/05/12 – MM is to send EL the required forms necessary to book the pavilion, park and the extra refuse bins for the Fireworks event.**
 This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.
 Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/05/13 – EL is to ask Kintore Scouts if they are able to shake donation tins during the Fireworks event.**
 It is noted that the Kintore Scout contact is part of the fireworks WhatsApp group. This action is in progress and will be carried over until the event has taken place on 2/11/2025.
 Update (Nov): Scouts participated; event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/05/16 – JC is to contact the Kintore Community Church to ask for volunteers to support the Fireworks event.**

JC emailed Kintore Community Church and received a positive response. The number of volunteers required needs to be clarified as well as the roles and responsibilities. This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.

Update (Nov): Volunteers provided; event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/05/17 – MM is to contact Neil Meyer from Kintore Kirk/Bennachie Parish Church of Scotland to ask for volunteers to support the Fireworks event.**

Neil Meyer has confirmed he can provide volunteers. The number of volunteers required needs to be clarified as well as the roles and responsibilities. This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.

Update (Nov): Volunteers provided; event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/05/18 – MM is to check with Kintore United as to whether there are any football matches planned for the weekend of the fireworks.**

Kintore Amateurs has confirmed they will arrange to play away on Saturday 1st November. It is believed that there are no home fixtures for Kintore United on the same weekend as the fireworks. This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.

Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/07/06 – FG is to work on a simplified version of the fireworks plan once the detailed version of the fireworks plan has been finalised. This action relates to action 2025/05/08.**

This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.

Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/07/10 – MM to contact SSEN Leylodge to establish the current status of the 2 AEDs and advise AM accordingly.**

MM and AM are to discuss this during the onsite visit scheduled for 30/09/2025. June Morrison, the co-ordinator of Leylodge Against Industrialisation has volunteered to manage the two Leylodge AEDs as they have previous first responder experience. The locations of the AEDs are to be agreed with SSEN.

Update (Nov): JM to confirm locations with SSEN out with KDCC's involvement. **Action closed.**

- **2025/07/13 – RS to send details of the Suez Communities Trust – Scottish Landfill Communities Fund to Action Kintore for their consideration.**

KM confirmed that RS should contact Kenny Thomson of Action Kintore regarding funding opportunities for solar panels on the Bothie.

Update (Nov): Details were sent as requested. **Action closed.**

- **2025/09/02 – MM to advise the Kintore Girl Guiding contact of the requirements once numbers and roles and responsibilities for volunteers at the fireworks event has been defined.**

This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.

Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/09/06 – MM to ask the Kintore Co-op if they are able to supply the milk required for the fireworks event (48 pints of semi-skimmed).**

This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.
Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**

- **2025/09/09 – MM highlighted the oddity in the title for the planning application APP/2025/1384 Crichtie. It states Planning Permission In Principle at the start and then Full Permission further through the title. MM requested that Cllr Mason query this with Aberdeenshire Council Planning and advise KDCC as to the validity of this.**
Cllr Mason has attempted to gain clarification from Aberdeenshire Council planning on this point without success. MM is to forward the email correspondence relating to this to all the ward councillors for escalation. Cllr Reid will advise MM of the outcome of this escalation asap.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/09/10 – The planning sub-group, headed by MM, to work together, in consultation with the wider KDCC, to respond to planning application APP/2025/1384 Crichtie.**
This action has been completed and the response was submitted by LM after obtaining agreement from the wider KDCC via WhatsApp.
Update (Nov): Response submitted. **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/11 – JR to advise KDCC who will be the new Resilience Co-ordinator.**
The appointment of a new resilience co-ordinator has been completed. RS has taken over as the resilience co-ordinator.
Update (Nov): **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/13 – MM is to prepare an article regarding the generous donation from Kintore Seniors Club to the Kintore Floral Display account.**
The article has been prepared and will appear in the winter edition of the Kintore Konnect.
Update (Nov): **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/14 – JC is to interview Irene Davidson and write an article to accompany the photographs of her recent art exhibition.**
The interview took place on 24/09/2025 and the article and photographs were sent to MM for consideration on 26/09/2025. The article has been prepared and will appear in the winter edition of the Kintore Konnect.
Update (Nov): **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/15 – MM is to contact Aberdeenshire Council to discuss the situation at Airlie House further.**
This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/09/16 – AC and RS are to consider what would be achievable at Airlie House and report back at the next KDCC meeting.**
RS has been investigating into possible gazebos for the site. This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**

- **2025/09/17 – AM is to contact Drew Cullinane to offer to go up the steps to check the Town House clock, wind and correct the time if needed.**
Update (Nov): AM will continue to liaise with Drew re: ongoing maintenance of the clock. **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/18 - EL and MM to proceed with purchasing the items required for the fireworks event as agreed in the KDCC meeting on 16/09/2025.**
The purchasing of items is underway. This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.
Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/19 - MM is to contact Ruby from Chalmers Mackay to request KDCC borrows some urns from Hatton of Fintray hall for this event and invite her to the next KDCC or Fireworks meeting to clarify the finer details.**
This action is in progress and will be carried over until event has taken place on 2/11/2025.
Update (Nov): Event completed. **Action closed.**
- **2025/09/22 – JR is to co-ordinate a photograph with the complete set of sponsors and the BookBench once the plinth plastic stickers have been updated with the appropriate company logos.**
The BookBench is back in situ. The plinth plastic stickers are yet to be printed. This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/09/26 – MM to create a post on the Kintore Facebook page once the compiled community information from Kintore Kirk has been received.**
This action relates to actions 2025/09/27 and 2025/09/28. MM has received the community information from Kintore Kirk and has been validating its contents prior to publication on social media. This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/09/27 – AC to set up a dedicated page on www.kintore.org.uk website for the compiled community information and create a QR code.**
This action relates to actions 2025/09/26 and 2025/09/28. A dedicated private page on the website has been created and is being populated with data currently. This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/09/28 – MM to work with the Kintore Konnect graphic designers to include a four-centre page pull-out feature of the compiled community information in the winter edition.**
This action relates to actions 2025/09/26 and 2025/09/27. This action is in progress and will be carried over.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/01 – JC to send out the community council handbook, KDCC constitution and co-option form to AW to be completed and returned. JC is to forward onto Aberdeenshire Council's Garioch Area Office once received.** Documents were sent to AW and the co-option form was

completed and returned. This has been forwarded to Aberdeenshire Council's Garioch Area Office. AW is fully co-opted to KDCC. **Action closed.**

- **2025/10/02 - JC is to send details of associate membership to June Morrison and Amy Sheldon.**
Details sent to June Morrison and Amy Sheldon. June Morrison has agreed to become an associate member of KDCC and has returned the data protection form. This has been forwarded to Aberdeenshire Council's Garioch Area Office. **Action closed.**
- **2025/10/03 – JC to add James Robb plaque/bench to November agenda.**
Update (Nov): There was insufficient time to discuss this matter and the item is carried over to the January 2026 agenda. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/04 – JM/MM to contact UK Minister for Energy re: ECU overhead line.**
Objection reaffirmed; public inquiry triggered by Angus Council's stance.
Update (Nov): JM/MM to continue working together on this. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/05 – AC to investigate software options for online portal.**
Ongoing; AC investigating into options.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/06 – AC to contact Granton Developments re: community project assistance.**
Offer acknowledged; follow-up required.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/07 – MM to email Garioch Area Manager re: Fireworks licensing.**
Email sent; awaiting response.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/09 – MM/RS/AM/FG to investigate SSEN funding for First Responders vehicle.**
Application in progress; deadline 19th November.
Update (Nov): MM/RS/AM/FG to report outcome at next meeting. **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/10 – AW to report on Trades Widows' Fund Charity.**
AW to advise at next meeting the precise criteria for applications.
Update (Nov): **Action in progress.**
- **2025/10/11 – MM/The Bothie Co-ordinator to complete CYCJ Stakeholder Engagement survey.**
Survey completed and submitted.
Update (Nov): **Action closed.**
- **2025/10/12 – AC to report on Pollinator Friendly Award and Climate Seminar.**
AC to register and report back. AC was unable to attend and no other members could attend either.
Update (Nov): **Action closed.**
- **2025/10/13 – MM to respond to pharmacy enquiry.**
MM sent a response to the member of the public advising this was out with the areas of KDCC

responsibility.

Update (Nov): **Action closed.**

5) Police Report & Update on Local Issues

The police report was received and is attached under **Appendix A**. The Chair summarised the report which covered October 2025 with a comparison to September 2025 statistics.

a) Proposed Change to Police Reporting

The Chair highlighted proposed changes to the police reporting schedule, with future reports likely to be issued quarterly rather than monthly. Police Scotland is seeking feedback from KDCC on the content and frequency of reports. Police Scotland are open to attending meetings virtually when the opportunity allows. No formal questions were raised by attendees, but concerns were noted regarding the effectiveness of online reporting and the need for community engagement, especially in relation to recent social media discussions about anti-social behaviour. The Chair encouraged members to report incidents online and shared a positive experience with prompt police response.

6) Planning Matters

The Planning Report is attached under **Appendix B**, the chair talked through the applications that had been validated and decided in October 2025 and in November 2025 (up to 13th November 2025).

a) APP/2025/1384 – Crichtie:

KDCC submitted a consultee response highlighting concerns about the lack of an environmental impact assessment, potential impact on nature and biodiversity, traffic and air quality, and school capacity. The group reaffirmed its position and discussed the slow progress of existing developments and the questionable demand for further housing.

b) ECU00005225 Kintore to Tealing Overhead Line:

KDCC reaffirmed its objection to this application. Angus Council's stance has triggered a public inquiry, although it is unclear how much of the overhead line will be covered by the public inquiry. Concerns were raised about whether the democratic process is being followed by Aberdeenshire Council with the lack of any opportunity for local councillors to debate the project. The Chair and councillors discussed the limited influence of local objections for a Scottish Government energy infrastructure project.

c) Community Action Plan Update

LM provided an update on the Community Action Plan. The CAP sub-group have met twice since the last meeting to review survey results and draft objectives. Ten groups have been identified consisting of a total of 39 objectives. The draft objectives were circulated via KDCC WhatsApp for feedback and an article has been prepared for the winter edition of Kintore Konnect. This article invites survey responses either via email or via a QR code. This would count towards the validation stage of the process. The attendees discussed options for further validating the plan with the public, including holding a stall at the Christmas lights switch-on or hiring the Town House/Public Hall/The Bothie for a dedicated event. The consensus was to pursue an in-person session before year-end, subject to venue availability and weather. MM is to contact the Kintore Fundraising Team to enquire whether it would be possible to do the CAP validation during the Christmas Light Switch-on. **Action 2025/11/01 MM**

7) Kintore Community Resilience

a) **Resilience Plan** – Open Actions 2024/09/04, 2024/09/06 & 2024/09/11

i) The standby generator at Kintore Public Hall – The standby generator at the Public Hall requires inspection; AM agreed to check and report back. The manual has been provided, and a restart may resolve the issue. **Action 2025/11/02 AM**

b) AEDs – Open Action 2024/07/10. RS ordered parts for the AED unit at the Co-op. These have been delivered to AM.

8) Kintore Konnect – Actions 2025/03/16, 2025/09/13, 2025/09/14

The Chair reported significant workload and delays with the production of the winter edition of Kintore Konnect. The winter edition is a bumper one with numerous new articles and new advertisers. Proofreading and invoicing processes were discussed, with positive feedback on the responsiveness of advertisers.

9) Action Kintore – The Action Kintore chair is taking some leave for medical reasons. Andrew Douglas was acting chair at the meeting held on 17th November 2025. The AGM has been postponed until 1st December 2025 in The Bothie. AC and DM are intending to represent KDCC at the AGM.

a) The Bothie Update:

- The junior group and Tuesday groups are thriving, with strong attendance and engagement.
- The cooking class at Garioch Community Kitchen has been very popular with the attendees.
- Some of the group have been taken to Garioch Indoor Bowling Centre after the cooking class.
- More volunteers are needed to maintain the groups available at The Bothie on an ongoing basis.
- The gravel surface at The Bothie car park has proven difficult for wheelchair users to navigate in order to get vaccinated at the pop-up vaccine centre based there. The disabled space is not marked out with road markings or signage.

b) Town House Project:

- The Lord Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire continues to be very keen to use the Town House for presentations. This request is being explored at the moment.
- The flood lights that have been fitted cannot be connected to the electricity supply due to the thickness and curvature of the granite wall that requires drilling. The drill bit needs to be 2.5 metres long. The only solution would appear to be to dig up the tarmac and connect to the old cabling, this is not feasible at this time.

10) Community Projects for Kintore

a) It's Your Neighbourhood 2025 & 2026 – Action 2025/09/16. It's Your Neighbourhood's fallen leaves clearance has been delayed due to weather, and litter on slip roads remains a concern. The group discussed the timing of clean-up efforts and the impact of snow and frost.

b) Post Fireworks Report – Actions 2025/03/18, 2025/05/08, 2025/05/09, 2025/05/12, 2025/05/13, 2025/05/16, 2025/05/17, 2025/05/18, 2025/07/06, 2025/09/02, 2025/09/06, 2025/09/18, 2025/09/19. The event was well attended, with a significant proportion of the community in attendance. Logistics, crowd control, and fundraising were discussed, with suggestions for future improvements, including possible shuttle buses and increased insurance coverage if applicable. Some of the products on offer did not sell. The chair is liaising with the Kintore Fundraising Team to see if the excess stock can be sold at cost to them for the Christmas Light Switch-on scheduled for 6th December 2025. There was unanimous agreement with the excess stock (popcorn, jellybean candy canes etc) being sold at cost to Kintore Fundraising Team.

The occurrence of the unplanned attendance by the Kintore Fire Station on the night to put out the smouldering bonfire was highlighted. There was an extensive discussion regarding the bonfire damage to the football pitch and the possibility of using a turf cutter for repairs. It is believed the severity of damage was caused by there being 6 barrels rather than the usual 5. The paving slab configuration was not sufficient for 6 barrels. Also, the barrels were new and had an oily coating inside that appears to have leaked out onto the grass. It was agreed next year to revert to 5 already used barrels, lift the turf prior to set-up and use undamaged paving slabs to cover a much wider area. Several members volunteered to coordinate equipment and labour and the chair is meeting with a landscape officer from Aberdeenshire Council to discuss this. A unanimous vote was held to confirm agreement for the cost of replacing the turf to be met from KDCC funds. AC is to utilise AI and the drone footage to estimate approximate attendance at the fireworks event 2025 and advise at the next meeting. **Action 2025/11/03 AC**

i) Decision re splitting firework proceeds between community groups – There was unanimous agreement from the attendees to donate £100 to each of the following community groups; Kintore Kirk (Bennachie Parish Church at Kintore), Kintore Scout Group, Kintore Fundraising Team, Kintore Community Church, Kintore Fire Station. RS is to pay £100 to Kintore Kirk (Bennachie Parish Church at Kintore), Kintore Scout Group, Kintore Fundraising Team, Kintore Community Church, Kintore Fire Station. **Action 2025/11/04 RS** A donation of £200 was unanimously agreed for Chalmers Mackay Music School to cover labour costs. RS is to donate £200 to Chalmers Mackay Music School. **Action 2025/11/05 RS** RS talked through the running costs and current profit amount made from this event. It is noted that the expenditure was slightly higher than 2024. This is detailed in **Appendix C**.

c) CLAN BookBench – Open Action 2025/09/22. The cost of purchasing the BookBench and the additional donation to CLAN have been paid. This item will be removed from the agenda once the open action has been closed.

d) Allotments/Men's Shed/Cycling Without Age

- i) **Allotments** - Interest has increased to 33 people for allotments in Kintore. Options for possible asset transfer or nominal rent of the old football pitch at Howieslap and hopeful collaboration with the Men's Shed were discussed, with input from councillors and members.
- ii) **Men's Shed** – The Kintore Men's Shed has been confirmed as official within the wider Men's Shed organisation and have started to appoint office bearers. AC has been voted as chair and agreed to fulfil the role for the first year. The meetings have been well attended. There is a visit to Aberchirder Men's Shed organised for 4th December 2025 to view their set-up with semi-temporary container structures which could be mirrored at The Bothie site.
- iii) **Cycling Without Age** – No update.

11) Kemnay Academy Parent Council Update

The Parent Council reported on recent school events, including the purchase of gym equipment and exercise bikes for less than £1,000, saving significant costs compared to council procurement. Parent engagement events were held to discuss reporting and school uniforms. Over 75% of students support the uniform, though this is not reflected in daily attendance. The PVG application process remains unresolved, with ongoing debate about the scope and cost. Two bus contracts have been cancelled due to poor service; Premier Coaches were praised for reliability. Aberdeenshire Council introduced a new snow policy requiring children to be met by an adult when sent home due to weather. Fundraising efforts are ongoing, with meetings scheduled to plan future activities.

- a) **Aberdeen Council Learning Estate Strategy – Online meeting held on 13th November 2025** – JC attended a virtual meeting with Aberdeenshire Council Learning Estates to

discuss the future strategy for the Kemnay cluster. The meeting was very informative and provided greater insight into decisions that have been made regarding the primary and secondary school offering in Kintore and District. The only other community council represented at the meeting was Peterhead.

12) Aberdeenshire Councillors' Update

Updates included Burn Lane car park charges, with discussion on the impact on local businesses and staff parking. The council decided to maintain charges, citing continuing budget constraints. The chair requested a comparison of charges from the previous year to establish how much extra income was generated from the free area of the Burn Lane car park becoming chargeable. **Action 2025/11/06 Ward Councillors** The water supply at Leylodge has been restored, with ongoing monitoring of private supplies and aquifers. The upcoming full council meeting will address financial performance among other agenda items.

13) Funding Opportunities

a) **SSEN Regional Community Benefit Fund - £40,000 up to £500,000 – Deadline 19th November – Action 2025/10/09**

b) **The Garioch Partnership Community Initiative Grant Scheme – Open for Applications -** Garioch Partnership Community Initiative Grant is open for applications. RS has applied to The Garioch Partnership for some funding towards setting up the Kintore Men's Shed and is awaiting a response.

c) **Nestrans Sustainable Travel Grant Scheme – Deadline of 7th November –** Deadline passed.

d) **Trade Widows' Fund – Action 2025/10/10**

14) Correspondence

a) **Draft Unified Statement by North East Scotland Convention of Community Councils –** The draft unified statement has been shared with all attendees.

b) **Email from ex-community councillor re new powers for community councils –** This has been shared with all attendees.

c) **Aberdeenshire Council Funding Share Community Council Summit – Monday 24th Nov 2025 –** This in person summit has been cancelled due to poor attendance.

d) **Adopt a Grit Bin – Deadline extended to Friday 19th December 2025 –** This item has been discussed with KDCC since the initial communication was sent on 13th October 2025. JC to analyse the grit bin spreadsheet and interactive map supplied from Aberdeenshire Council and provide detailed location information for the grit bins that are earmarked for removal. **Action 2025/11/07 JC** Once this information has been shared with the KDCC members, a separate meeting will be held to discuss this issue in detail with a view to reaching a decision. **Action 2025/11/08 KDCC**

15) **Treasurer's Report –** The Treasurer's Report and Running Costs of the Fireworks Event 2025 are attached as **Appendix C**. Open action 2025/03/21.

a) **KDCC Account - £21,525.98**

b) **Floral Display Account - £2,043.15**

16) AOCB (Any Other Competent Business)

Kintore Christmas lights switch-on and the “Glow as you go” event were noted as scheduled for 6th and 7th December 2025 respectively.

17) Date of Next Meeting

There is no meeting scheduled in December 2025 as per the KDCC constitution. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 20th January 2026 at 7:00 PM via Zoom Video Conference only.

Appendix A – Police Report



GARIOCH COMMUNITY POLICING TEAM VISIBLE, ACCESSIBLE AND EFFECTIVE

Community Council: Kintore

Reporting Period: 1st October to 31st October 2025

Current Policing Priorities:

Our priorities remain unchanged (see Planned Activity):

ASB – Proactive patrols to provide community reassurance and to deter/detect instances of ASB and Vandalism.

PROACTIVITY – Increased use of Stop and Search to deter/detect Drug and Acquisitive crime.

ROAD SAFETY – Enhanced speed checks and other speed reduction measures.

Crime Overview and Explanation:

| CRIME TYPE | PREVIOUS PERIOD (September 2025) | This period (October 2025) |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Assault | 3 | 0 |
| Housebreaking/Theft | 0 | 1 |
| Public Nuisance | 4 | 2 |
| Road Traffic | 2 offences and 1 incident | 3 offences and 1 incident |
| Drugs | 7 | 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 0 reported Assault(s) for this reporting period.

Housebreaking/Theft:

There have been 1 reported Theft(s) for this reporting period.

There was 1 Theft by Shoplifting reported which there is still enquiry ongoing for.

Public Nuisance:

There have been 2 reports of public nuisance in the reporting period.

The first incident relates to two persons riding an electric scooter on the pavement and reportedly being close to hitting another member of the public.

The next incident relates to two reports of a drunk male, throwing bottles on the road and causing a nuisance. Police attended and traced the male, there was no criminal action taken against him and there was no effect on any other road users or members of the public.

Road Traffic:

This period has seen 3 Road Traffic Offences in which all the drivers have been dealt with and 1 incident. Incidents can relate to things such as cars blocking driveways, abnormal loads or breakdowns.

Drugs:

There have been 0 report(s) of Drug misuse for this reporting period.

Significant Crime/Issues within Your Community:

In relation to the report of an electric scooter, much like last month, we will continue to act on any intelligence we get, with a view to identifying the drivers and owners of the scooters/ bikes.

Planned Community Policing Activity/Advice:

The Community Policing Team will continue to carry out speed checks and mobile patrols in response to incidents involving anti-social behaviour in Kintore.

Conclusion:

Overall, this is a good report with low levels of incidents /crime reported.

Thanks,

Mark Barber
Constable
Inverurie Community Policing Team
North East Division
Police Scotland / Poileas Alba
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Appendix B – Planning Report

Kintore & District Community Council Planning Report – as at 13th November 2025

Validated October 2025

- **Erection of Building for Country Store (Class 1A)**

Marshall's Farm Shop Kintore Aberdeenshire AB51 0XD

Ref. No: APP/2025/1682 | Received: Fri 10 Oct 2025 | Validated: Thu 23 Oct 2025 | Status: Pending Consideration

- **Demolition of Former Function Suite and Erection 3 Dwellinghouses with Associated Parking (Amended Design to Planning Permission APP/2021/1773) without Compliance with Condition 1d (Parking) of Planning Permission Reference APP/2022/1572**

Site To Rear Of Kintore Arms Hotel Elm Way Kintore Aberdeenshire

Ref. No: APP/2025/1574 | Received: Tue 23 Sep 2025 | Validated: Wed 01 Oct 2025 | Status: Pending Decision

Decided October 2025

- **Erection of Forestry Building in relation to Prior Notification Reference APP/2025/1048**

Land at Donvallen Croft Kintore AB51 0YX

Ref. No: APP/2025/1342 | Received: Thu 14 Aug 2025 | Validated: Tue 19 Aug 2025 | Status: Decided

Validated November 2025

- **Change of Use and Alterations of Steading to Dwellinghouse**

Redundant Part Steading At Home Farm Steading Thainstone Inverurie AB51 5NT

Ref. No: APP/2025/1813 | Received: Thu 06 Nov 2025 | Validated: Fri 07 Nov 2025 | Status: Pending Consideration

- **Change of Use and Alterations of Steading to Dwellinghouse**

Redundant Part Steading At Home Farm Steading Thainstone Inverurie AB51 5NT

Ref. No: APP/2025/1783 | Received: Thu 30 Oct 2025 | Validated: Thu 06 Nov 2025 | Status: Pending Consideration

Decided November 2025

- **Alterations and Extension, including Dormer to Dwellinghouse**

6 Ashlea Avenue Kintore Inverurie AB51 0FL

Ref. No: APP/2025/1569 | Received: Mon 22 Sep 2025 | Validated: Tue 23 Sep 2025 | Status: Application Approved

- **Demolition of Dwellinghouse**

The Sheiling South Fordtown Kintore AB51 0XZ

Ref. No: APP/2025/1508 | Received: Thu 11 Sep 2025 | Validated: Mon 22 Sep 2025 | Status: Application Approved

Appendix C – Treasurer’s Report

Kintore & District Community Council Treasurers Report

– BANK BALANCES CORRECT AS AT 12 NOV 2025

KINTORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACCOUNT

BALANCE AT 12 NOV 2025 **£21525.98** FOR KDCC MEETING ON 18 NOV 2025

UP £7585.95 FROM £13940.03 REPORTED ON 17 OCT 2025 KDCC MEETING

BANK MOVEMENT

INCOME TOTAL :- **£9722.65**

- £1.08 – CASHBACK – BANK PARTNERS DEAL
- £8821.57 – FIREWORKS EVENT COLLECTIONS AND SALES
- £900.00 - DONATION - FIREWORKS

EXPENDITURE TOTAL:- **£2136.70**

- £180.00 – DEFIB PADS
- £28.73 – WEBSITE FEES
- £109.82 – JANINE CRACKNELL – REIMBURSEMENT- KDCC ADMIN/FIREWORKS COSTS
- £287.70 – JIM REID REIMBURSEMENT – FIREWORK BANNERS
- £1530.45 – FIREWORK EXPENSES

PREDICTED INCOME & EXPENDITURE DUE BEFORE NEXT MEETING

Money due in before next meeting

- KINTORE KONNECT ADVERTISEMENT PAYMENTS

Money due out before next meeting

- Various Hire Costs associated with Fireworks events

KINTORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL FLORAL DISPLAY ACCOUNT

BALANCE AT 12 NOV 2025 £2043.15 FOR KDCC MEETING ON 18 NOV 2025

UP £222.35 FROM £1820.80 REPORTED ON 17 OCT 2025 KDCC MEETING

BANK MOVEMENT

INCOME TOTAL :- £222.35

- £0.33 – CASHBACK – BANK PARTNERS DEAL
- £110 – CREDIT
- £112.02 – COLLECTION TIN – DOSSETTS BUTCHERS

EXPENDITURE TOTAL:- £0

PREDICTED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE BEFORE NEXT MEETING:-

NONE I AM AWARE OF

WARNING ! – THERE STILL NEEDS TO BE A MASSIVE INJECTION OF FUNDS INTO THIS FLORAL ACCOUNT TO ALLOW THE FLORAL GROUP TO PAY FOR THE SUMMER PLANTS NEXT YEAR

Appendix D – Kintore Fireworks 2025 Running Costs

| KINTORE FIREWORKS 2025 | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| DESCRIPTION | INCOME | OUTGOINGS | TOTALS |
| Donations | £1,000.00 | | |
| Popcorn Planet | £56.90 | | |
| Cash | £6,618.43 | | |
| SumUP | £435.50 | | |
| SumUP | £65.31 | | |
| SumUP | £48.74 | | |
| SumUP | £24.37 | | |
| SumUP | £12.67 | | |
| SumUP | £1,559.65 | | |
| INCOME TOTAL | | | £9,821.57 |
| Float | | £1,000.00 | |
| Charges | | £11.15 | |
| Aldi | | £19.35 | |
| Costco | | £31.85 | |
| Popcorn Planet | | £56.90 | |
| Farmfoods | | £64.56 | |
| Amazon | | £83.76 | |
| Turriff Printing | | £287.70 | |
| Toys | | £1,203.07 | |
| Amazon | | £12.57 | |
| Reimbursement to Moira for Toys | | £314.10 | |
| Fireworks | | £2,115.00 | |
| Costco Popcorn (Janine) | | £41.94 | |
| Costco Popcorn (Moira) | | £83.88 | |
| Bothy Hire - Debrief | | £25.00 | |
| ACC - Bin Hire | | £71.69 | |
| First Aid | | £154.00 | |
| OUTGOING TOTAL | | | £5,576.52 |
| PROFIT | | | £4,245.05 |