

Approved Minute of the Annual General Meeting of Kintore and District Community Council meeting.



Held at 7.00pm on 15th July 2025 at Kintore School and online.

Welcome

The Chair Moira Moran welcomed everyone to the meeting.

AGM

1) Attendees and Apologies

Community Councillors Present – Moira Moran, Jim Reid, Laura Murrie, Rod Smith, Janine Cracknell, Ken McEwen, Alan Milne, Angus Cheyne, Fabio Greatbatch
Aberdeenshire Council Garioch Area Committee Officer – Alison Cumming
Members of the Public – Wilma Walker
East Garioch Ward Councillors Present - None
Apologies – Lesley Monaghan, David MacAllan, Eve Lamond, Fiona Brown, Cllr Glen Reid, Cllr Jim Gifford, Cllr Trevor Mason, Cllr Dominic Lonchay

The Chair advised the attendees that Lesley Monaghan is resigning as a community councillor after twelve years. The Chair thanked Lesley for her service and dedication to the Kintore & District Community Council.

2) Minutes of the last AGM

- a) **Corrections** – none
- b) **Approval** – Alan Milne/Jim Reid

3) Chair's Report – The report was distributed prior to the meeting, see Appendix A. No questions were raised.

4) Treasurer's Report including the Annual Accounts – Jim Reid gave a summary on the two bank accounts. It was confirmed the accounts have been approved by an independent verifier and the signed accounts will be sent to the Garioch Area Committee Officer following the meeting. The closing balance of Kintore and District Community Council Bank Account as at 31st March 2025 was £15,851.67. The Kintore and District Community Council Floral Display Bank Account as at 31st March 2025 was £2,490.88.

It was noted that some future event deposits were included within the accounting period 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025. An example of this would be the deposit for the Fireworks being held in November 2025. Also, highlighted were the flowers for summer 2025 being paid after the year end and will therefore be reported in the 1st April 2025 - 31st March 2026 accounts. A query was raised regarding the timing of the annual payment for Zurich insurance. It has since been confirmed that this was paid on 12th March 2025 and accounted under "Administration" on the

accounts. The accounts were approved by Alan Milne and seconded by Fabio Greatbatch.

The Aberdeenshire Council Garioch Area Committee Officer took over chairing the meeting for the duration of the office bearer elections. Alison Cumming, on behalf of Aberdeenshire Council, thanked all the community councillors for their efforts over the last year supporting Kintore & District.

- 5) Election of Chair** – Proposed by Alan Milne, seconded by Janine Cracknell, Moira Moran was re-elected to the office bearer role of Chair.
- 6) Election of Vice Chair** – Proposed by Rod Smith, seconded by Jim Reid, Laura Murrie was re-elected to the office bearer role of Vice Chair.
- 7) Election of Treasurer** – Jim Reid advised the attendees of his intention to resign from the office bearer role of Treasurer. He was thanked for all his efforts over the three years in the office bearer role. Proposed by Jim Reid, seconded by Moira Moran, Rod Smith was elected as Treasurer.
- 8) Election of Secretary** – Proposed by Fabio Greatbatch, seconded Rod Smith, Janine Cracknell was re-elected to the office bearer role of Secretary.
- 9) Dates agreed for the monthly meetings for the next 12 months** – It was agreed to continue to meet on the third Tuesday of each month with the exception of August and December. Video conference via Zoom will continue as an option while the main focus will be meeting in person at Kintore School.
- 10) The next monthly meeting of Kintore & District Community Council.** – The next monthly meeting of Kintore & District Community Council took place immediately following the Annual General Meeting. The next Annual General Meeting of the Kintore & District Community Council will be on Tuesday 16th June 2026.

Appendix A - Chair Report July 2024 June 2025

This is the first year for a couple of years in which we have had no serious weather-related incidents so long may that continue.

During the early summer months community council members and volunteers who are part of the It's Your Neighbourhood (IYN) team carried out a great deal of work in many areas around the town, examples such as the cutting back of an overgrown hedge on School Road and tidy up of various areas like the corner of MacAllan Road and weeding many areas. Judging as part of the Keep Scotland Beautiful project took place at the end of July and we were delighted to achieve a rating of 4, with 5 being the top rating from the judge Sandy Scott.

The Best Garden competition was very successful with many entrants. In the weeks preceding the Street Party the Town House doors and downstairs windows received some much-needed TLC, receiving a fresh coat of paint, by volunteer Chris, helped by his son. The tarred area surrounding the town House had the potholes filled and tar restorer applied to a large area. Refurbished benches and a couple of new benches including a picnic bench were added there and at Lochburn Road.

The Street Party was a huge success, with £3000 raised for two local charities, Halfpenny Animal Sanctuary and Kintore United Football team. KDCC were delighted to have helped with the Street Party.

In August, the existing CC members stood down and an election held in September which was open to everyone to stand as a member, pleased to report that many of the existing members stood and are part of the team again. I was delighted that several new members of the community stepped forward to be part of the CC, these were Laura Murrie, Janine Cracknell, Fiona Brown, Rod Smith, Dave MacAllan, Angus Cheyne and Fabio Greatbatch. I would also like to thank Claire Campbell and Donna Heron for their contribution to the CC over the previous year as they move on to concentrate on other things.

The other big event in the Kintore calendar of course was the Fireworks Display which was a resounding success and reported by many to have been the biggest and best ever. Some of the funds raised were donated to 4 local groups who helped on the night.

In the Autumn, thanks to a dozen Kintore businesses we were able to obtain a CLAN Bookbench for placement in The Square during July and August 2025.

Explore Kintore Interactive History Tour- Partial Funding was received for this fantastic project through last year Garioch Initiative Fund however we are still working on this project with the launch date being end of July 2025. Visitors will engage with this tour by scanning a QR coded tile which will be fixed to either a Explore Kintore branded post or Bench, this will be close by one of 10 Historic sites /buildings , once scanned will play an informative audio recording about that site or building, users are then encouraged to visit all the sites.

In April we were contacted by residents of Provost Lawrence Court to enquire whether

we could help them with their large grounds. During April and May volunteers from IYN worked on several occasions to lay paving, creating 3 raised beds, laying a decorative feature in the lawn, weeding borders and beds and planting a few fruit trees. We were helped by volunteers from the SSEN team at Leylodge on one occasion. I also facilitated SSEN volunteers to help out for a day at the local animal sanctuary.

We received several grants over the year, one from the Garioch Initiatives fund to cover half the costs of the IYN project, and also from Aberdeenshire Council money was received to go towards the overall cost of repairing the bund at Kingsfield Road, the remainder of the costs were borne by a Kingsfield Road resident. We received a grant from SSEN for funding of much needed equipment for the Kintore Resilience group, lastly, we applied to SSEN on behalf of the Inverurie First Responders who cover the Kintore area for funds to buy valuable equipment such as a new CPR mannikin and PPE which was passed directly to them.

We received money from the Kids Club which was being dissolved which we put towards a new Defibrillator for Midmill School together with money from several local groups.

Scotia Homes kindly donated a new Defibrillator to replace the out of support device at First Photographics.

IYN 2025

The Kintore It's Your Neighbourhood Project 2025 will have 6 Main Project Areas to support:-

- Provost Lawrence Court
- Kintore Park Pavilion
- Northern Road (Ex Public Toilets site)
- Kintore Square & Surrounding Area
- Kintore Kirk
- Explore Kintore Interactive History Tour