KINROSS-SHIRE LOCAL COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Kinross-shire Local Committee held virtually on Thursday 20 January 2022 at 5.30pm.

Present: Councillors M Barnacle (Convener), C Purves (Vice-Convener), W Robertson and R Watters; Ms S Bruce-Jones (Fossoway Community Council), Mr D Colliar (Kinross Community Council), Mr A Miller (Portmoak Community Council), Ms M Ponton (Glenfarg Community Council), Mr F Principe-Gillespie (Cleish & Blairadam Community Council) and Mr M Thomson (Milnathort & Orwell Community Council).

In Attendance: C Mailer, F Robertson, L Haxton, M Butterworth, P Marshall, J McCrone, B Cargill and D McKeown, (all Communities); L Simpson, S Hendry, K Molley and A Brown (all Corporate and Democratic Services).

Councillor M Barnacle, Convener, Presiding.

The Convener led discussion on items 1-5, 7-8, and 10-11 and Vice-Convener on items 6, 9 and 12.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all those present to the first meeting of the committee.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest made in terms of the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

3. REQUEST FOR A DEPUTATION

In terms of standing order 13, the Committee agreed that Mr A Lowrey, a local resident, be allowed to address the Committee in relation to item 6 – A911 East of Scotlandwell.

4. KINROSS-SHIRE LOCAL COMMITTEE - PILOT SCHEME OF ADMINISTRATION

The Kinross-shire Local Committee Pilot Scheme of Administration was noted, as approved by Perth and Kinross Council on 15 December 2021.

5. 20MPH SPEED LIMIT TRIAL

There was submitted a report by Head of Environmental and Consumer Services as approved at Environment and Infrastructure Committee on 27 October 2021 (copy herewith 21/195).

Resolved:

It be noted that the recommendations in report 21/195, were agreed at the Environment and Infrastructure Committee on 27 October 2021.

6. A911 EAST OF SCOTLANDWELL

Mr A Lowrey, a local resident, addressed the Committee. Following answering a number of questions from the Committee, he left the meeting. Councillor C Purves thanked Mr A Lowrey for his attendance.

There was submitted a report by the Head of Environmental Services (22/9) (1) advising members of road safety and vehicle speed concerns which have been raised regarding the A911, east of Scotlandwell; and (2) recommending that further detailed investigations are carried out as part of a Route Action Plan to inform if any additional signing, lining or other road safety mitigation measures are required.

Resolved:

- (i) It be noted that the Route Action Plan shall progress, taking into consideration issues such as overtaking, signage and a safe foot path link.
- (ii) It be agreed that a temporary 40mph speed limit be introduced from the existing 40mph buffer at Scotlandwell to Auchmuir Bridge in Fife, and the information gathered to form part of the Route Action Plan.
- (iii) It be noted that that a further report will be submitted to a future Committee for agreement on any required improvements following the completion of planned Route Action Plan investigations in 2022.

7. FORMER BLAIRINGONE PRIMARY SCHOOL

There was submitted a report by the Head of Culture and Community Services (22/10) providing information on the former Blairingone Primary School in Kinross-shire, including the details of its current condition, wider community facilities and options for a possible community-led solution to the future ownership and use of the building.

Resolved:

- (i) The background and current provision of services in the Blairingone area, be noted.
- (ii) The options for possible future community management of the building, be noted.
- (iii) It be agreed that the options for community management for the building are reviewed in 12 months time once the new Development Trust is fully established.

8. CO-ORDINATION OF PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT IN THE LOMOND AND OCHIL HILLS

The Convener provided a verbal update regarding the co-ordination of planning management in the Lomond and Ochil Hills.

Resolved:

- (i) It be noted, that a briefing paper on regional parks be shared with members of the committee.
- (ii) It be agreed that the Convener to put forward a motion to a future meeting of Perth and Kinross Council on engaging with neighbouring Councils and the Scottish Government on the principle and funding of proposals to improve coordination of planning and management in the Lomond and Ochil Hills,

including - but not limited to - the extension of the Lomond Hills Regional Park to include Loch Leven and the establishment of an Ochil Hills Regional Park.

9. KINROSS TOWN CENTRE

There was submitted a report by the Head of Planning and Development (22/11) (1) advising members of previous consultation and agreement on the design and development of public realm improvements in Kinross town centre; and (2) recommending action to inform any additional required traffic management and signage in order to improve the management and operation of the use of roads, and space through further review of data, and consultation.

Resolved:

- (i) It be agreed that the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services review traffic data and evidence, undertake traffic surveys and consider potential impacts of current investment in improvements to access and car parking at Loch Leven.
- (ii) It be agreed that the Head of Planning and Development undertake a survey to provide evidence of local views on operation of roads and current and future use of space.
- (iii) It be agreed that the Head of Environmental and Consumer Services prepare options for revised entry and entrance signage and the traffic management arrangements.
- (iv) It be noted that a further report will be submitted to a future Committee for agreement, which would set out any required improvements and any relevant resource and environmental implications.

10. BOUNDARY COMISSION FOR SCOTLAND – 2023 REVIEW OF UK PARLIAMENT CONSTITUENCIES

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive (21/247) (1) advising that on 14 October 2021, the Boundary Commission for Scotland published its initial proposals in respect of boundaries for constituencies for the UK Parliament; and (2) referring to the proposals as they affect the Perth and Kinross Council area in relation to the existing UK Parliament constituencies of Perth & North Perthshire and Ochil & South Perthshire. A copy of the agreed position by the Council on 15 December 2021 was also submitted for information.

Resolved:

The committee agreed to defer this item to a future meeting of the Kinrossshire Local Committee.

11. KINROSS COMMON GOOD FUND – APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – DECEMBER 2021

Voting Members of the Kinross-shire Local Committee were contacted, and the following decisions were agreed via email due to the urgency of the request:

(1) Light Up Kinross be awarded a grant of £443 towards a Christmas tree and a light display in Kinross.

(2) Kinross-shire Move Greener be asked to resubmit a funding request in April 2022, which will be considered at a future meeting of the Kinross-shire Local Committee.

Resolved:

The decision by voting members to award grants in December 2021 be homologated.

12. COMMITTEE FORWARD PLANNING

The Vice-Convener advised that a workshop would be held with non-voting members and local ward members to discuss committee forward planning before the next committee meeting.