

KINROSS-SHIRE LOCAL COMMITTEE

Minute of meeting of the Kinross-shire Local Committee held virtually on Thursday 24 November 2022 at 5.00pm.

Present: Councillors W Robertson (Convener), D Cuthbert (Vice-Convener), and R Watters; S Bruce-Jones (Fossway Community Council); D Fraser (Glenfarg Community Council); F Principe-Gillespie (Cleish & Blairdam Community Council); and M Thomson (Milnathort and Orwell Community Council).

In Attendance: M Butterworth, K Farmer, L Haxton and B Wilson (Communities), L Simpson, K Molley, A Brown and M Pasternak (Corporate and Democratic Services); and I Clark, Iconic Consulting

Also in Attendance: D Cairns, CATCH

Apology: Councillor N Freshwater

Councillor W Robertson, Convener, Presiding.

The Convener led discussion on items 1-4, 6 and 8 and Vice-Convener on items 5 and 7.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Convener welcomed all present to the meeting and an apology was noted as above.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

3. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Kinross-shire Local Committee of 18 August 2022 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

(i) Road Safety

In the absence of D McKeown, Senior Technician, Communities, M Butterworth advised that a written update on road safety in Kinross shire would be provided to members of the committee following the meeting.

Post agenda note: Information regarding road safety schemes mentioned at committee was circulated to members from D McKeown –

The lowering of the speed limit at Carnbo, from 40mph to 30mph, was identified as a community priority at the Ward meeting with the Kinross-shire

Councillors. We are currently working on the creation of this Traffic Regulation Order. It is anticipated that this will come into effect from April 2023.

There are also three outstanding projects from the A977 Mitigation Measures programme in the vicinity of Crook of Devon/Drum. The two priority projects, agreed with the local Councillors and Fossoway Community Council, were the signalisation of the school Road junction and the realignment of the A977/B9097 junction. The traffic signals were installed at School Road but there is still work to be done to complete the footway links. The junction realignment project still must be designed and costed. To date, we have not had the staff resources to progress either of these schemes as resources have been directed to other priorities of work. It is hoped that these can be delivered in the next financial year.

Upon completion of these two projects, and provided funding was still available, the third project was to be undertaken. This involves the signalisation of the Drum crossroads, the removal of the Puffin crossing (as a pedestrian phase would be incorporated within the traffic signals) and a reduction of the speed limit from 40mph to 30mph.

(ii) Blairingone Primary School

L Haxton, Community Planning and Policy Team Leader, provided a verbal update on Blairingone Primary School. He advised that the Development Trust were given access to the former primary school building for a community development session on the 19 November 2022 which seemed to be a success. There was submitted a request by the Development Trust to register as a charity in October 2022 and by early 2023 the Development Trust should have the legal status that they require to submit a Community Asset Transfer. It was agreed at the first meeting of the Kinross-shire Local Committee that a review would be undertaken after 12 months. L Haxton confirmed that an update would be brought back to the February 2023 Committee.

5. THE PROPOSALS OF THE BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND

The approved emerging motion that was submitted to Council on 9 November 2022 regarding the Proposals of The Boundary Commission for Scotland be brought to Committee for noting.

Resolved:

- (i) The contents of the motion, be noted.
- (ii) The Convener of the Kinross-shire Local Committee write to the Boundary Commission regarding the proposals announced on 8 November 2022, expressing members objection to the Scotlandwell area of the Kinross-shire ward being included in the proposed Glenrothes constituency and that this area should instead be included in the Perth and Loch Leven constituency.

6. CATCH – LOCH LEVEN

There was slide based presentation by D Cairns, on CATCH – Loch Leven (Climate Change Through Community Heating) (Appendix 1).

Members questions were answered, and the Convener thanked D Cairns for his informative presentation.

Members suggested a combined approach from the local community and the PKC to look at future funding and resourcing to protect Loch Leven.

Committee noted the position.

7. SUPPLY AND DEMAND FOR SERVICED EMPLOYMENT LAND IN THE KINROSS WARD

There was submitted a report by Head of Cultural and Community Services (22/290) providing information to Committee on the current situation regarding the supply and demand of serviced employment land in the Kinross area; and (2) covering progress the Council is making in relation to developing its own existing employment land.

Resolved:

The contents of Report 22/290, be observed.

8. KINROSS COMMON GOOD FUND APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCE ASSISTANCE – NOVEMBER 2022

Members of the Kinross-shire Local Committee were contacted via email, and the following decisions were agreed:

- (1) A group of residents in the Broom Road/Broom Court area be awarded a grant of £100 to set up a Neighbourhood Watch Group.
- (2) Light Up Kinross be awarded a grant of £831 towards their Christmas Lights.

Resolved:

The grants awarded by the Kinross-shire Local Committee members in November 2022, be noted.