



Minutes of meeting on the 21 September 2023 in the Mercat centre at 19.30

Meeting commences at 19.36.

1. Present. Tom Anderson **TA** (chair), Marion Macleod **MM** (Secretary), Angie Cox **AC** (Minutes Secretary) Rita Fenton **RMF** (Treasurer), Allan McLeod **AM** CC, Beverley Wells **BW** CC

Public in attendance. none

2. Apologies. Ron Ferguson **RF** (Vice Chair), HClIr Derek Louden, HClIr Alistair Rhind

3. Police report. No Police in attendance and no report submitted. **MM** has sent emails but has had no response. **MM** to follow up.

4. Minutes of ordinary meeting held on 15.06.2023 Minutes approved by 1st **RMF**, 2nd **BW**

5. Matters arising from the minutes. Tain 3-18 campus is progressing. CC's who were not present at previous meeting welcomed **BW** to the committee. CC is on agenda under item 8. St Duthac Book & Arts festival - KALECC had requested a booklet with list of events but had not received one.

6. Reports by Highland councillors. No HClIr's present at tonight's meeting due to another meeting in Tain.

School closure due to strikes on 26th-28th Sept are to go ahead.

7. Annual accounts. There is currently £910.34p in the accounts. Annual Grant money from HC has not been received yet.

8. Community Council Issues. **TA** gave a brief outline of the process for CC Election. Online nomination forms are to be received by 12 noon on 3 October 2023 KALECC needs between 4-8 members to continue. If the CC is contested there will be an election for the CC. **BW** voiced concerns of the speed of motorists along the road between Ken's garage and Milton. Milton junction is just inside the 30 mph, but motorists are not slowing down, making it hard for drivers to pull out safely. **AC** said that it had been noticed that a few people are walking along the road which given the speed of some motorists, is a safety concern. **BW** highlighted that the Tarbat bus shelter needed repair and a tidy up. **RMF** said the one in Kildary has also been broken for some time too. The passing places along Tarbat road are not marked and are being used by motorists to park in while they go for a walk, making it harder for residents etc to navigate the road because it is narrow. A 10-mph sign has been put up on a verge in Tarbat. The road is private, and the speed sign is not enforceable. Over hanging trees and weeds on the pavements into Milton are forcing people

to walk on the road rather than the pavement. It was noted that the leaves were not gathered from the pavements last year either, with residents complaining that this left the pavements very slippery to walk on in the wet/icy weather. **BW** asked if KALECC members knew anything about the ownership of land at Wester Tarbat cottages, the carpark area has large potholes which are prone to flooding. Requires repair but unsure if the area belongs to HC. **MM** to follow up all issues with HCllrs.

9. Planning and Licensing. Ref: 23/04087/ FUL – Sitting of cabin for holiday lets. Item will be added to next months agenda to allow CC's and public to view application.

10. Mental Health and wellbeing. A new report shows Scotland mental health officers sent more time working on mental health officer duties in 2022 than in any other year since 2016. The overall hours estimated to be spent on MHO duties each week in 2022 was 12,752 the highest since 2016, when the figure was 12,388.

People across Scotland are being urged to arrange Power of attorney (POA) in a bid to protect their wishes in the event of serious illness or accident. A POA can be arranged by a solicitor or alternatively by visiting <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/social-care-and-support-guide/making-decisions-for-someone-else/giving-someone-power-of-attorney/> for guidance.

11. Correspondence. Email from Milton Improvement Group to thank KALECC for Beinn Tharsuinn funding to replace Defibrillator Pads. Email from Milton primary school to thank KALECC for Beinn Tharsuinn funding for School Pantomime trip. The bowling club sent a receipt for proof of Beinn Tharsuinn funding spending. Message from the West Lothian Joint forum of Community Council's regarding the formation of a Scottish Forum of Community Councils. To be added to next month's agenda to discuss.

12. AOB. Nothing this month.

13.Date of next meeting 19 October 2023. This date may be subject to change due to CC Elections, but KALECC Website will be updated if that is the case. Members of the public are welcome.

14. Beinn Tharsuinn: Applications from KALE and Milton primary school approved by members.

TA thanked everyone for their time and attendance.

Meeting concluded 20.28.

Angie Cox Minutes Secretary, Kilmuir and Logie Easter Community Council

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