



Kincardineshire Development Partnership  
AGM - Thursday 25 October 2018 at 7 pm  
Macphie, Glenbervie

### Minutes

#### Attendees:

David Nelson – Mearns Community Council (Chair)  
Michael Bennett – Benholm & Johnshaven Community Council  
Councillor George Carr – Aberdeenshire Council  
Sandra Davison – Mearns Area Partnership  
Mairi Eddie – Benholm & Johnshaven Community Council  
Councillor Alison Evison – Aberdeenshire Council  
Jim Farquharson – Newtonhill & District Bowling Club  
Joanna Fraser - Macphie  
Alfie Hendry – Newtonhill & District Bowling Club  
Ian Hunter – Stonehaven Community Council  
Walter McMillan – Portlethen Men's Shed  
Marion McNeil – Crathes, Drumoak & Durris Community Council  
Alan Melrose – Aberdeenshire Council  
Councillor Ian Mollison, Aberdeenshire Council  
Councillor Colin Pike – Aberdeenshire Council  
Ron Sharp – Portlethen & District Community Council  
Ed Thorogood – Maryculter Woodlands Trust  
Isabella Williamson – Arbutnott Community Council

#### In Attendance:

Lesley Carnegie – KDP Administrator (Minutes)  
Jacky Niven – KDP Development Worker

#### Apologies:

Jackie Bruce – Panthers Basketball Club  
Councillor Sarah Dickinson – Aberdeenshire Council  
Sundari Joseph – Portlethen Jubilee Hall

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Julie Lindeman – Stonehaven Town Partnership  
Bob McKinney – North Kincardine Rural Community Council  
Michael Morgan - Newtonhill and Cammachmore Community Council  
Julia Morton - Starsparks  
Andrew Newton – Stonehaven Town Partnership  
Bridget Scott – Bettridge Centre  
Sheila Taylor – Inverbervie Lunch Club

### **1. Welcome**

David Nelson welcomed all members, Trustees, Councillors and staff, and thanked them for attending.

### **2. Previous Minutes and Matters Arising.**

The minutes of the AGM of 26 October 2017 were presented. Their approval was proposed by Walter McMillan and seconded by Ian Hunter. There were no matters arising.

### **3. Chairman's Report**

David Nelson referred attendees to the KDP Annual Report, which was included in the papers for the meeting. **David reinforced KDP's commitment to promoting community development and providing support and advice to community groups and social enterprises across K & M. It was noted that the administration of 3 windfarm community funds also facilitates contact with a wide range of smaller community groups and organisations. The Community Action Plans are progressing, although rather more slowly than had been anticipated.**

Aberdeenshire Council continues to be the principal funder of KDP through a Service Level Agreement which is in place until 2020. KDP has operated within its budget and is now looking to generate various income streams for the future. David paid tribute to KDP staff and thanked the Trustees for their ongoing diligence and commitment. KDP's main strategic aim continues to be to help communities help themselves. There were no questions.

### **4. Treasurer's Report**

Ian Hunter presented the annual accounts for KDP. The reserves have grown slightly but the proposed move to new office accommodation will increase costs and prudent financial management will be needed for the challenging times ahead. Ian thanked Lesley Carnegie and

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Charles Sands for their assistance in compiling and presenting the accounts. There were no questions.

#### **5. Appointment of Board of Trustees**

Notices of resignation had been received from George Greiss (October 2017), Caroll Evans (January 2018), Paul Melling (February 2018), David Evans (June 2018) and Jim Stuart (October 2018). In addition, Ron Sharp stood down as a o-opted Trustee in October 2018.

As per the KDP Constitution, all Community Council representatives are deemed to remain as Trustees until such time as they resign. Accordingly, the following Trustees all remain in place:

Arbuthnott – Isabella Williamson

Benholm & Johnshaven – Mairi Eddie

Catterline, Kinneff & Dunnottar Community Council had nominated William Dargie as their representative following David Evans' resignation. William's nomination was agreed unanimously.

Crathes, Drumoak and Durriss – Marion McNeil

Mearns – David Nelson

Newtonhill, Muchalls and Cammachmore – Michael Morgan

North Kincardine Rural Community Council - Bob McKinney

Portlethen and District Community Council had nominated Ron Sharp as their representative following Paul Melling's resignation. Ron's nomination was agreed unanimously.

Stonehaven – Ian Hunter

Also as per the Constitution, Community Group Trustees also remain in post until such time as they resign. The following Trustees all remain in place:

Portlethen Men's Shed – Walter McMillan

Stonehaven Town Partnership – Andrew Newton

The Bettridge Centre - Bridget Scott

Mearns Area Partnership had nominated Sandra Davison as their representative following Jim Stuart's resignation. Sandra's appointment was agreed unanimously.

No further nominations were received.

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Councillor Carr noted there were gaps in the representation from Gourdon and Inverbervie Community Councils. It was agreed that KDP should seek nominees from both over the coming weeks.

#### **6. Any Other Business**

There was no further business

#### **7. KDP Annual Report Live**

Jacky Niven, KDP Development Officer gave a short presentation summarising KDPs activities and achievements over the previous year. Jacky was congratulated by Councillor Carr for her efforts and professionalism throughout the year.

#### **8. Macphie and the Community**

Joanne Fraser showed a short film and gave a presentation on the history and current activities of Macphie, in particular, their links with a wide range of local community groups.

#### **9. Democracy Matters Event**

Jacky Niven and Lesley Carnegie facilitated discussions around Democracy Matters – a review of local governance commissioned by CoSLA and the Scottish Government. This is just one of a series of discussions taking place across the country, and feedback from K & M will be collated by KDP and fed back to CoSLA and the Scottish Government.

#### **10. Thanks and Close of Meeting**

Mairi Eddie thanked all attendees for coming to the meeting. Following informal networking and refreshments, the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Minutes taken by Lesley Carnegie

I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby confirm these minutes reflect a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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