

**Monthly:** 1st Wed **Pensioners Club** 2-4pm Friendship Room  
 2nd Tues **Greener Kemnay** 7.30pm Burnett Arms  
 4th Tues **Samba & African Drumming** 7.30pm Friendship Room KVH  
 3rd Thurs **Acoustic Folk Music Session** 8pm Grant Arms, Monymusk.  
 last Thursday **Community Council meeting** 7.30pm except July, Aug & Dec.

**Weekly:** Sun **Bingo**, Kemnay Village Hall 6.30-8.30pm  
 Mon **Dru Yoga** 7.55pm Church centre  
 Tues **Children's Dance Classes** 3.30-6.45. Village Hall  
 Tues **Adult Dance Classes** evenings. Village Hall  
 Wed **Knit & Natter Group** 3-5pm Kemnay Library  
 Fri **Kemnay Bargain Box** 9.30-11.30.. See page 6. Closed 30 March, 7 & 14 April  
 Fri **Coffee Bar** 9.30-11.30 KVH (side entrance) Closed as above.

**Apr**  
 Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Cinema. KVH 9.15 for 9.30am.  
 "Horse racing night" Kemnay Bowling Club.  
 Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> Bee Group "Swarm Control" Dalmadilly Apiary. See page 10.  
 "Saltfishforty" KVH BYOB. Doors 6.30pm. Start 7pm.  
 Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Strength & Balance Group 10-11.30am Wainman Room KVH. See page 16  
 Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Health Walk KVH 9.30am See page 36  
 Tues 11<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Centre 1-4pm American Talk with Ian Dow.  
 Fri 14<sup>th</sup> Health Walk KVH 9.30am See page 36  
 Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Kemnay Park & Pavilion Open Day. 12-3pm. See page 36.  
 Tues 18<sup>th</sup> "Dementia Awareness" event KVH 10am - 12 noon. See page 20.  
 Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Bee Group "Queen Marking" Dalmadilly Apiary. See page 10.  
 Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Health Walk KVH 9.30am See page 36  
 Sat 22<sup>nd</sup> Dalmadilly Link Path Opening Meet 10.30am See page 21 for details  
 Tennis Club Open Day 1.30pm onwards. See page 32.  
 Film & Food Night. KVH. Ticketed event. See page 36 for details.  
 NESCGS Sasha Savaloni Kemnay Church Hall 7.30pm. See page 23.  
 Tues 25<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Centre 1-4pm Musical Entertainment by The Huntly Quines.  
 Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Health Walk KVH 9.30am See page 36  
 Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Afternoon Tea Chapel of Garioch Hall 1.30 - 4pm. See page 21.

**May**  
 Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Strength & Balance Group 10-11.30am Wainman Room KVH. See page 16  
 Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Kemnay FC 7-a-side tournament. Kemnay Academy 9am. See page 22.  
 Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Story Sharing Morning. (under 5's + parents/carers) KVH 10-12noon. See p17.  
 Fri 12<sup>th</sup> 1st Stop AGM Bennachie Lodge 7pm. See page 13,  
 Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Monymusk International Boules Tournament. See page 34.

**Jun**  
 Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Strength & Balance Group 10-11.30am Wainman Room KVH. See page 16  
 Sun 18<sup>th</sup> intellicore Red Run. Fetternear. See page 28.

**Note:** All meetings held in the Friendship Room, Kemnay Village Hall unless otherwise stated.  
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Once again we ask all organisers of events in Kemnay & District to give details for publication in the newsletter. It is much better if events do not clash, for in a small community such as ours, these clashes can result in divided loyalties and maybe a lower financial return for those who are raising funds for charity or their clubs expenditure.

# KEMNAY NEWSLETTER

## Issue 443

## April 2017



*For your Entertainment and Delight*

## Film and Food Night

### Saturday April 22nd

See page 30

## NESCGS Sasha Savaloni

Saturday April 22nd  
 Kemnay Church Hall 7.30pm. See page 23.

NEAT presents

## "Your Bard"

A Nicholas Collet production  
 Kemnay Village Hall

Saturday 13th May  
 7.30pm

See page 15

The Newsletter is produced by Kemnay & District Community Association for and by the people of Kemnay. It is distributed each month to approximately 2250 homes in and around Kemnay. If you would like anything included please note that the closing date for both articles and advertisements is **9am on the 23rd of the month.**

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### IF STONES COULD SPEAK, 3

A black granite obelisk, quite near to the Blackhall memorial bears the inscription: *In affectionate remembrance of Alexander Diack Thorpeville Kemnay who died 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 1907 aged 69 his sons John Randolph died 7<sup>th</sup> Aug 1887 aged 18 Benjamin Emslie died 10<sup>th</sup> May 1904 aged 28 his daughters Mary died 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1880 aged 6 Isabella Ann died 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 1883 aged 11 and his wife Isabella Adam died 24<sup>th</sup> Sep 1911 aged 74 "Until the day break" DIACK.*

Alexander Diack was among the first of the Diack family who travelled from Rayne to work in the quarries in the Kemnay area, being firstly employed in the quarries on Leschangie hills before moving to the quarries on Paradise Hill.

In common with many other quarriers, he was soon to acquire a plot of land in the village on a 99 year building lease. This plot of land lay at the foot of the right hand side of High Street and extended along it for 170 feet (51.82m), 65 feet (19.81m) along Aquithie Road, 170 feet along the boundary with the Village Hall and 105 feet (32 m) along the east boundary. On this plot he initially erected a building (facing on to Aquithie Road) which could accommodate three commercial units with domestic accommodation above. The unit next to the Village Hall was leased by a shoemaker and the area between the new building and the boundary was filled in with a building which became the shoemaker's workshop. Another extension was built at the High Street end and this latterly housed what was Lingard the butcher's business.

Around the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century a building was erected which housed a tailor's business ran by a son of Alexander Diack, James Adam Diack, now occupied by the Hair Shop. The building was further extended in the 1970s, to its present size, by Bill Gauld who was at that time running a newsagents business there. This portion is now home to Coco's.

Another small building was erected on the boundary next the village hall which for many years housed the village chip shop. The original purpose of this building was as a meeting place for the Plymouth Brethren, of which religious persuasion the Diack family were members.

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Like all good things the Kemnay Scout Hall is getting past its best and the Scout Group Executive Committee are looking to find an alternative home for the group. The Scout Group currently has over 70 children attending various sections and has been active in Kemnay since 1924, however in planning for the future we realise that a new hall is a must.

The new hall could be on the site of the existing or potentially a new site and hall within Kemnay. We are therefore keen to see if there are any residents of Kemnay that would be prepared to assist in the design/planning and grant application process. We are especially keen to get the help from any architects and persons who have had experience in funding applications. If you would be willing to give a few hours to support the local Scout movement please contact Phil Simons, Kemnay Scout Group Chairman at : - philandlisa.simons@btopenworld.com or 07841 888385

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# Birley Bush



It is with regret we have to say the Aberdeenshire Council Property and Facilities Management Team declined to draw up a lease for the cleared site at Birley Bush. The decision has meant that Council officials have been in disagreement but the purely financial

argument has so far won. At some point the whole site will be sold and Kemnay will have lost a workplace and local authority owned land.

It has been known since we started negotiations that the Birley Bush Depot was planned to close when a Super Depot is built. However we had verbal reports that this was unlikely to happen until after 2022. From searching through reports taken to Councillors in 2013 and 2015 it appears this was planned for winter 2017. The Scottish Government Reporters have not made a decision on the Thainstone expansion so here can be no timescale for the move. The land at Thainstone was not due for development until the period 2024-30 and changes to the A96 junctions also need to be made to accommodate extra traffic entering and leaving the area between Clovenstone and Port Elphinstone.

We have looked at the other green space under Council ownership but play areas, slopes and bogs are not suitable for our original scheme or a community garden.

The Local Development Plan has not included any change of use for Birley Bush. The Kemnay community has not been asked its view on the utilisation or sale of the site.

The roadside section of the Birley Bush Depot sits between the golf course and the beech lined avenue to Kemnay House. Do we really want houses on this area?



Greener Kemnay

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## Kemnay Community Bee Group - April Meetings

10.30am Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April

“Swarm Control” at the Dalmadilly Apiary

7 pm Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April

“Queen Marking” at the Dalmadilly Apiary

*There will be a small charge of £2 to cover refreshments.*

The beekeeping season is now well underway and Kemnay Community Bee Group looks forward to welcoming both old and new members to our forthcoming apiary demos (see above). Membership fees for 2017 are due now : £10 individual and £15 family. For more information contact [secretary@kemnaybees.org](mailto:secretary@kemnaybees.org) or visit our website: [www.kemnaybees.org](http://www.kemnaybees.org) or find us on Facebook.

## Kemnay WI

Ladies from Culsalmond WI were the guests of Kemnay WI for the March meeting and they entertained with a selection of songs, dances and quizzes.

The competitions were:

### 2 Truffles

The winners were: 1 Katrina Thom, 2 Alice Downie, 3 Pauline Jaffray

### A Winter Scene

The winners were: 1 Bess Whyte, 2 Elizabeth Forrest, 3 Elma Adams

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Both the Health Walks and the Strength & Balance group are free and available to anybody living in Kemnay & area. These are excellent ways to get out of the house and meet new people. We are particularly interested to meet with people who are living with some form of dementia and also their unpaid carers (e.g. family member, friend, neighbour) – please contact us if you would like more information & to meet us.

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Senior Section offers an escape from school work and stress and a place for girls to make new friends, develop skills, become more independent and confident.

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### My role

My role as a Shared Lives Carer involves supporting people in my home. We work together to develop new skills and try new activities. I am matched with two different people. One comes to me for a weekend a month and the other comes one day a week. I have a great relationship with the people I support because we have similar interests. This means we can share experiences we both enjoy.

### A typical day

When they are dropped off by their family we usually have a catch up and decide what we will do with our time together. We use pictures to make this easier. Some of the things we do together include cooking, going to a bowling group, helping the local gardening project and swimming. We often invite my friends over to visit, which has encouraged new connections in the local community. Now my friends are also their friends!

### My favourite and least favourite things about my role.

I like meeting the families, which starts from the matching process. Now we consider each other extended family and can support one another. Shared Lives has helped me to try new things I would not have tried on my own. It gives me a great sense of fulfilment and I find life is more colourful with Shared Lives.

When an assessment was mentioned I thought this would be difficult but the assessor came to my home, made me feel at ease and supported me throughout the process. I found this prepared me for my role.

### What I wish I had known before I started.

It's not your typical caring role. It's much more varied and flexible and fits in with my life.

I didn't realise how much I would gain personally from becoming a Shared Lives Carer. I meet other carers and families at the monthly events that Shared Lives organise. I have developed a whole new network of friends.

### What makes me a good Shared Lives Carer?

I feel that my life experience makes me a good Shared Lives Carer. I enjoy spending time with people. I feel I am a good listener and am always eager to try new things.

I didn't have experience in care before I started but with the support and training of the Shared Lives Team I feel confident in my role.

I think everyone has something that they can share, for example I enjoy cooking and have been able to share this passion with those I support.

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Calendar of events for 2017

1. **Open Day and Book Sale** Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 1.30-
2. **Adult Doubles Competitions** Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 10 onwards
3. **Adult Singles Competitions** Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 10 onwards
4. **Mixed Doubles Competitions & AGM** Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> August 1.30-
5. **Christmas Indoor Tennis** Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December

KTC will restart Junior Tennis Coaching Sessions with Zara Coutts this summer. Further details will be available at the open day or by contacting Rod Scott  
(roderick.scottart@gmail.com).

Junior Tennis coaching for members will be on Monday afternoons, starting on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April through until the 26<sup>th</sup> of June, every Monday except 1<sup>st</sup> May & 5<sup>th</sup> June and when the weather is bad.

Times of the three sessions (for P1-3) 3:45-4:15, (for P4-6) 4:15-5.00 & (for P7+) 5.00-5:45. Junior membership is required and a payment of a fee of £3 for 1/2 hour sessions, £4 for 45mins on the day of coaching.

Club membership fees: £10 children, £40 adults and £80 family.

Adult social tennis session: Tuesday afternoons, Thursday evenings from 7.30, Saturday afternoons from 1.30 & Sunday mornings from 10.30, weather permitting. Mixed doubles tennis team practise and matches will be by arrangement.

**PLEASE DO NOT BRING DOGS ON THE TENNIS COURTS.**

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**What I would say to someone who was interested in becoming a Shared Lives Carer.**

Anyone can do it! I didn't think I would have the expertise to support someone but Shared Lives recognises that everyone has their own skill set. Shared Lives get to know you as a person and match you with someone who you will enjoy sharing your life with so...what are you waiting for?

**Shared Lives are always looking for more carers.**

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**Aberdeenshire Wellbeing Festival**

**Tuesday 9 May, 10am-12 noon**

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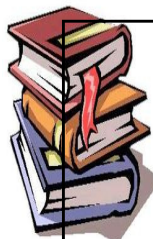
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### **Pop-Up Museum World War 1**

#### **Display Cabinet Ian's display of artefacts**

We are always looking for new displays to put in our lockable cabinet. Speak with a member of staff if you would like us to show off your collection.

**Bookbug Rhymetime** 10.30am – 11.00am  
11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April - 9<sup>th</sup> May

**Story & Craft** 10.30am – 11.15am  
4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> April & 2<sup>nd</sup> May

### **TOLLUND MAN**

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### **EASTER CRAFTS Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> April**

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## Film and Food Night April 22nd

We still have some spaces for our Film and Food night on Saturday April 22nd. This is a ticketed event as we need to commit to food etc. The format has been tried and tested so expect a glass of something cold on arrival, a first course followed by the first half of the film, there will be a vegetarian option. A sweet and coffee will then be available before the second half of the film. The usual refreshments will be available throughout.

The film is **"The Hundred Foot Journey"** starring Helen Mirren as a Michelin starred restaurateur, and Om Puri the head of the Kadam family who have fled unrest and emigrated to France. These two vie for custom as Omi opens an Indian restaurant opposite the famed French eatery.

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There will be a short presentation at 10.30 a.m. including a film. Phyllis Gordon will be happy to answer questions and share information.

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits will be served (no charge). Provided by Positive Steps Kemnay who are supporting this event.



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**KEMNAY SOCIAL & BOWLING CLUB –  
NEW MEMBERS REQUIRED!**

Following our amazing increase in members over the previous 2 years (39 members improving to 66), Kemnay Social & Bowling Club is looking to continue this improvement as we officially open the Bowling Club for the beginning of the Outdoor season on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016 @ 2pm.

A fortnight later, we will have the 3<sup>rd</sup> edition of our new Annual 'Cath & Graham Coutts Trophy' which will be up for grabs in the 'Pro-Am' event – aimed at getting brand new bowlers of all ages into the club!

**The 2017 Pro-Am event will be held on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

This has so far proved a very successful event with over 20 people joining up to the club despite never playing before (please also note the average age of those 20+ is considerably much younger than the stereotypical 'OAP' image that Bowls seems to have!! ha). We hope the local support continues into 2017.

*The club is used on a regular basis by the whole village for Birthday Celebrations, Wedding Receptions etc but without members, there is no club so we are looking at you (yes – you!! :p) to come along, try the game and hopefully sign up for the 2017 season!*

Our current members are already scouring Kemnay (and beyond!) for 'Amateurs' to be their partners ahead of the Pro-Am – it's always a great day, the bar is open and everyone gets along to support those giving it a bash for the first time!

If you want to join the club, or at least give the game a bash at our 2017 Pro-Am (no commitment required) then please contact us on any of the following:

Match Secretary – Liam Thom – 07964222681

President – Billy Thom – 01467 643622

Facebook – <https://www.facebook.com/kemnaybowlingclub/>

Website – [www.kemnaybowlingclub.weebly.com](http://www.kemnaybowlingclub.weebly.com)

Cheers!



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## CELEBRATE DALMADILLY LINK PATH OPENING

**SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> April**

Come and join us celebrating the official opening of the Dalmadilly Link Path.

All members of Kemnay community are invited to this fun event.

We shall meet up at the The Green (alongside Aquithie Road) on **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 10.30 a.m.** – we shall all then walk together along Aquithie Road past the entrance to Breedon Quarry and arrive at Dalmadilly. This is an easy walk on pavements and should take no more than 20 – 30 minutes.

There will be a brief ceremony when the red tape will be cut and the path declared officially open!

Tea, coffee and cakes will be served in the bird hide that overlooks the larger of the two ponds.

Please come and join us as the Path is intended to serve the need of the whole community and make the walk around the Ponds safer and more pleasant for people of all ages and abilities.

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*All ages and experience welcome, we have qualified coaches on hand to help you progress your game for 2017, both for adults and juniors.*

*We have started indoor training for the senior players with outdoor training for all ages and experience beginning on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 6.30pm at Castle Park in Kintore.*

*Matches will begin on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017 @ Bogbeth Park, Kemnay and will be weekly until the end of August.*

*For more information, please contact;*

*Liam Thom – 07964222681*

*Frank Summers – 07802503606*

[www.facebook.com/groups/kemnaykintorecc](http://www.facebook.com/groups/kemnaykintorecc)



## Letters to the Editor

### Bus timetable changes

Stagecoach has just finished a consultation over proposed timetable changes in Aberdeenshire and Moray. For Kemnay the proposal would involve routing the X20 through Kintore and Blackburn, adding a time of at least 8 minutes to each journey to and from Aberdeen, well over an hour for anyone commuting five days a week. This has come about due to the proposed reduction of frequency of the 37 service from Inverurie.

I have written to Aberdeenshire Council asking that, should these changes go ahead, the tendered 420 service should cease diverting through Blackburn. This would at least give a few direct services each day from Kemnay. Other than by responding to the consultation - which I know many people did - our influence over Stagecoach is limited. However, the council services exist specifically for the benefit of the community and so we have every right to ask the council to take steps to reduce the impact of these changes. Compromise is inevitable but it seems that under current proposals, it is Kemnay that is being asked to do all the compromising. Although this compromise is being imposed by Stagecoach, it is within the council's power to redress the balance slightly. I hope that others will join me in making this request directly to the council transportation department.

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4. A car registration number if the dog owner was seen to leave a vehicle to walk the dog.

This information will be passed to an authorised officer who will contact the dog owner and advise them of their legal responsibilities to clean up after their dog has fouled.

When the identity of a dog owner is not known, patrols of the area at the times you witnessed the offence, may be organised.

Any information passed to the council is treated in the strictest confidence.

Alternatively, you can complete the online Dog Fouling Report Form at <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/environment/animal-health/dog-fouling/>

**Saturday 22nd April 7.30pm**  
**Kemnay Church Hall**

north  
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**sasha savaloni.**

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concession £8, 16 and unders free  
when accompanied by an adult.

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## KEMNAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL Report of the Meeting on Thursday 23rd February 2017, 7.30pm, Kemnay Village Hall

**Present:** Hazel Smith (Chair); Irene Ferguson (Secretary); Janet Newberry (Treasurer); Bill Blackwood (Vice Chair); Margaret Basley; David Evans; Robert Ingram; Sue Wainman; Kate Rigby; Fran Patrick; Sasha Brydon p/t; Cllr Sheena Lonchay.

**Apologies:** Vaila Spencer; Alex Rayne; Gaenor Berkin; John Whittall

**Attending:** 1 members of the public

### 1 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed those attending and thanked Bill for chairing the previous meetings during her absence. Apologies were given as above.

**2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST** - There were no declarations of interest.

### 3 MINUTES OF MEETING JANUARY 2017

Minutes as previously circulated were confirmed as accurate proposed for acceptance by Kate and seconded by Sue.

### 4 POLICE MATTERS

Police Report from 27 January to 23 February has been received. The speed calming sign on Aquithie Road continues await repairs. A questionnaire has been received and it was agreed that local issues could be raised at the time, timeous reports welcome in advance of the meetings and alerts could be given and published.

### 5 KEMNAY ACADEMY PUPIL REPORT

A few bus engines still running at the school. Young representatives for KCC - 14-15 year old volunteers for KCC requested to be sought by Sasha.

### 6 GUEST SPEAKERS – None

Aberdeenshire Council Emergency Planning Officer to be invited to attend the April meeting

### 7 FLOOD MITIGATION

**a)** Dye testing by Scottish Water to take place at Victoria Terrace drain to determine source of pollution to the Don and impact of this line on drainage issues. Storage solutions for sandbags being considered by AC. **b)** MM-RCG resilience group; Discussions on solutions following AC/SW site visit ongoing. RM Project in progress. **c)** KPFG resilience group; awaiting delivery advice for temporary Water-Gate barrier. Drains have been cleaned.

### 8 OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO SPEAK

A Resident, Bogbeth; Heavy vehicle access to building site by Barratt builders is a concern to residents and HSE were contacted. Road widening not complete, therefore outwith Planning consent. A generator is running until 10.25pm, with lights shining into windows. Cllr Lonchay advised that planning enforcement are aware and issues should be referred to the Roads Department. Residents will further pursue and Cllr Lonchay to raise with AC. A pool of oil was seen on site to be covered up with sand and rubble.

### 9 MATTERS ARISING

**a)** Place of Origin; Possible October Festival in Kemnay via Greener Kemnay / Scottish Geodiversity Forum. **b)** Electric Car Charging Point - Kate further investigated Energy Saving Trust funding – grants of £500 for individuals only are available or from OLEV £500, otherwise hub at Inverurie is the closest point. **c)** Riverside Path; Roads Engineers are now looking at the options for surfacing and prices to be in by mid April. **d)** The Chair confirmed DPI arrangements. **e)** Scheme of Establishment out for further consultation. All agreed that minutes are not mentioned, therefore not to be kept other than on the website which are recorded back to 2002. **f)** AGM March; no resignations indicated. Groups in village are fragmented with no CC representatives as in the past. Safety Group rep is Bob, Irene for KPFG & MM-RCG. Members to consider officially representing other local groups.

**10 TREASURER REPORT/BANK ACCOUNT(S)** A healthy balance of accounts was previously reported by the Treasurer. **a)** Defibrillator accounts will be audited before AGM.

### 11 PLANNING MATTERS AND APPLICATIONS

6 Planning Applications Submitted from 24/01/2017 – 20/02/2017 (23/02/2017 mtg):

**APP/2017/0093** Prior Notification for Erection of General Store at Blindburn, Blairdaff, Kemnay. **APP/2017/0188** Raising of Ground Levels at South Keithney. Expiry date for public comment 09 Mar 2017. **APP/2017/0259** Alterations and Extension, Birchfield, 28 High Street. Demolish existing conservatory and replace with extension. Expiry date for public comment Thu 09 Mar 2017. **APP/2017/0329** Approval of Matters Specified for Condition 1 of Planning Permission in Principle. **APP/2015/1630** Erection of 2 No. Dwellinghouses at Boatleys Farm. Expiry date for public comment 02 Mar 2017. Roads have a holding objection pending detailed information regarding a bin uplift area. **APP/2017/0309** Demolition of Shed and Erection of Dwellinghouse and Garage at Bankhead Farm, Kemnay. Expiry date for public comment Mon 06 Mar 17. Previous permission in principle application **APP/2015/1220** Demolition of Shed and Erection of Dwellinghouse granted in June 2015. **APP/2017/0367** Alterations and Extension to Dwellinghouse and Erection of Detached Garage Mill Of Braco Croft, Pitcaple, Inverurie. Expiry date for public comment Tue 07 Mar 2017.

### 12 REPORTS

**a) PADS Report;** Report previously circulated. Next units to be at Dalmadilly and Blairdaff. Good response on first training sessions, less 2<sup>nd</sup> month. Next training on 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> March, thereafter to resume at the end of year. Thanks was again expressed to people and businesses in the village **b) Safety Group;** Report previously circulated. Smoke Alarm Tester Sticks initiative discussed. Credit/Debit Card Anti Fraud - protective sleeves proposed for issue to public libraries. **c) GACCF;** Report previously circulated. Aberdeen/Aberdeenshire Revised National Standards for Community Engagement event on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb. Place Standard AGM - 7<sup>th</sup> June. **d) Community Planning;** Report previously issued. Participatory Budgeting event is via Garioch Partnership. **e) Kemnay Futures;** Report previously issued. Going for final approval on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1pm. **f) Greener Kemnay;** Report previously issued. Dalmadilly path opening on 22<sup>nd</sup> April. Greener Kemnay/ Postive Steps looking at Core Path to Thainstone and other links for cyclists to Kintore Station and Inverurie. Draft Integrated Travel Town Inverurie Master Plan should be taken to the Council before summer. Birley Bush update promised by 3<sup>rd</sup> of March. **Public Art Project;** next meeting 6<sup>th</sup> March 10am. **Kemnay LLCP;** workshops held and three Small events planned by the Library Service. **g) Website;** Funding gratefully received from Breedon. **h) Training;** Training for CRP Lead Co-ordinators planned before summer. **i) CRP;** A report was previously circulated. The latest CRP revision, link to website and newsletter advert for volunteers issued. CRP documentation was approved, including CC contact details to be included. **j) Press Reports;** Margaret reported that the railway & station at Kintore is delayed until 2019.

**13 ABERDEENSHIRE NEWS** - Various Budget items discussed - Council Tax increase, access to sports facilities, Roads maintenance savings and other efficiencies to come. Bus forum on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at Westhill. 21<sup>st</sup> April - Grand opening of refurbished Bennachie Centre.

**a) Correspondence from the Council;** Previously circulated.

**b) General Correspondence Received;** nothing outstanding.

### 15 OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS TO SPEAK

**Bob;** Attending **WeSubsea** press event with Irene for container donation to resilience group. **Sue;** KCC Logos circulated - CCs be asked for ideas and Bob to ask at Academy.

**Next Meeting & AGM:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017, 7.30 pm, Kemnay Village Hall - Members of the Public are welcome to attend. The Agenda will be available on KCC Website <http://www.kemnay.info/>