



# Bellyeoman Community Council

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## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> January 2003 AT 7.20PM IN THE JEAN MACKIE CENTRE, DUNFERMLINE.

### **PRESENT:**

Wilma Allday (Madam Chairman), Graeme Whyte (Secretary), Kate Findlay (Treasurer), Jessie Cartmell, Cllr. Helen Law, Douglas Campbell, Nick Dimeo, S. Inglis, Helen Cunningham, Janet Miller, Catherine Taylor, Lilah McKay, Dave Manderson (Council Community Worker), Tom Brand.

- 1] **CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS & APOLOGIES:** Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanks were given to the Jean Mackie Centre for the last minute provision of a venue for the meeting. The mix-up over the hall bookings was now sorted and future meetings were in the diary at the James Allan Centre.  
Apologies were received from Ian Douglas, Arthur Ashton and Cllr. Jim Tolson.
- 2] **MINUTES:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. They were moved by Tom Brand and seconded by Jessie Cartmell.
- 3] **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**  
There were no matters arising from the minutes that were not catered for elsewhere in the Agenda.
- 4] **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** The chairman had nothing to report that was not covered later in the agenda.
- 5] **POLICE** As there were no police present there was no report.
- 6] **TREASURERS REPORT:**  
The Treasurer, Kate Findlay stated that the balance of the Community Council account stood at £2324.39 and presented a detailed statement to the meeting. A copy of this statement is attached.  
  
The Trusts & Legacies cheque of £107.50 was discussed. Ideas were requested for the next meeting of deserving individuals or groups by 5th February 2003 to allow the Secretary to check their validity ahead of the meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 2003.  
David Manderson suggested that the proposed Skateboarding Group could be considered. This was noted.
- 7] **COUNCIL:**  
Issues raised included...
  - The rattling manholes at No.6 Farnell Way are a Water Board issue. Cllr Law will raise this issue again with the Water Board at a meeting she is having with them later in January,
  - The grit bin requested for Farnell Way will be in place early in the new year. Cllr Law will ask for another further down Farnell Way to help spread the availability of grit.
  - Residents in Farnell Way have raised queries about the factoring of common ground around the Alderston Gardens development (Farnell Way etc.). The Secretary has written to Hacking & Paterson (The Factors) and they have agreed to send a representative to the next meeting of the Community Council on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003 to answer questions.
  - Drainage issues at Craigston Park/Cycle Track are still under investigation by Cllr Law and Cllr Tolson.
  - Parking issues in Bellyeomen Road near Robertson Road are still being followed up. The Police are currently looking into the issue. Cllr Law will chase the Police on this matter. She believed a site visit was to take place.
  - Robertson Road site visit. There was to be a site visit with representatives from the school board to inspect the proposed road safety improvements. A £15k budget had been allocated by the Council for this work. A 20's Plenty time zoned area would start outside the school in the next few weeks.
  - Children's Play area in Alderston Drive park. Persimmon Homes have given money & the Council are keen to start once plans finalised. There could also possibly be a teenage shelter plus basketball hoop.



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- James Allan Centre Exterior. It looks like the Council will allocate money from the 2003/2004 budget to paint the exterior which is in desperate need of a makeover.
- Names are being sought for David Manderson for Skateboarding Youth Group.
- A resident in Craigston Drive raised the issue that the grit lorry never grits bottom half of street. They have asked for a grit bin. Cllr Law would investigate.

## 8] **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The following correspondence was reported and made available to the meeting by the Secretary.

### **Correspondence Received:**

Party	Details
Fife Council	Bellyeoman Primary School, proposed speed bumps.
Fife Council	West Area Meetings.
Fife Council	West Fife Divisional Licensing Board.
SEPA	Special Farming Issue Newsletter, see <a href="http://www.dunfermline.ws/bellyeoman">www.dunfermline.ws/bellyeoman</a>
Fife Council	Fife Minerals Subject Local Plan
Fife Health Council	Raising The Issue...
Fife Council	Planning Applications
Fife Health Council	Healthwatch Newsletter. <a href="http://www.fifehealthcouncil.com">www.fifehealthcouncil.com</a>

### **Correspondence Sent:**

Party	Details
Members (Email)	Fife Council CC Seminar on 22 <sup>nd</sup> February.
Cllr Law	Manhole covers at 6 Farnell Way & Grit Bin at same.
Hacking Paterson	Invite to 12 <sup>th</sup> February Meeting.

The Secretary was asked to write to the Council about the Community Council Seminar on 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Kate Findlay expressed an interest in attending.

## 9] **AOCB:**

**Buses** The timetables change on 20/1/2003. Madam Chairman gave details of changes. The changes appear to be unsatisfactory. The question was asked: Is Alderston Drive being abandoned? The Community Council should invite Stagecoach to a future meeting. The contact at Stagecoach is Scott Walker in Kirkcaldy. The Secretary was to wait for a response from Cllr law before sending an invitation.

**Craigston Drive Speeding:** Nick Dimeo raised the issue of speed in Craigston Drive. Cllr Law would speak to Transportation about the possibility of speed bumps and she said it may be worth waiting for a 20's plenty scheme.

**Hospital Verge Parking.** Madam Chairman raised this issue as it still is a huge problem. Cllr Law will raise the issue with the hospital.

**Play Area Drinking.** Madam Chairman raised the issue of drinking at the play area in Alderston Drive near Alldays. She had counted 43 bottles. She urged people to report such incidents to the Police to help them with their dossiers.

**School Crossing. Whitefield Road.** Cllr law has a meeting to discuss the viability of a School Crossing Patrol in Whitefield Road for children from the Thistle Homes estate.

## 10] **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:**

The date & time of the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2003 at 7.00pm in the James Allan Centre, Paton Street, Dunfermline.



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At this point, a number of members of the public left. Those remaining discussed the following special topics.

## **11] REVIEW OF SCHEME FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS IN FIFE:**

The above correspondence was read and discussed. The following points were noted.

- The idea of Entrust Funding was agreed to be a good idea.
- It was agreed that all Community Councils should have the same constitution.
- It was agreed that the minimum voting age for Community Council elections should be the same as other elections.
- It was agreed that unsuccessful candidates should be the first to be given the opportunity to be co-opted to the Community Council in-between elections.
- It was agreed that provision be made to discuss certain items in private where they could lead to the disclosure of a constituents or businesses private data, such as financial information.
- It was agreed that Community Councillors should declare any conflicts of interest.
- It was noted that Bellyeoman Community Council elect Office Bearers annually. A move to election for the entire 3 year period would be deemed restrictive.
- Community Councillors standing as Local Government candidates should declare their position and stand down from the Community Council during any election campaign. .
- The requirement to have two from four signatories to cheques was agreed to be correct.
- It was agreed that Community Council accounts should be audited.
- As ultimate responsibility for Heritable Property could fall to Fife Council, it was agreed that Fife Council should be consulted and give consent before a Community Council acquire and hold heritable property.

## **12] REVIEW OF COMMON GOOD FUND GRANT PROCEDURES:**

The above correspondence was read and discussed.

The Community Council were happy with all the proposals.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed:

Date: