



Bellyeoman Community Council

Serving NE Dunfermline

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 8th September 2004 AT 7.00PM IN THE JAMES ALLAN CENTRE, DUNFERMLINE.

PRESENT:

Wilma Allday (Madam Chairman), Graeme Whyte (Secretary), Kate Findlay (Treasurer), Tom Brand (Vice Chairman), Jessie Cartmell, Douglas Campbell, Donald Heigh, Lilah McKay, Cllr Jim Tolson, M. Robertson, J. Leslie, & Dave Paterson (Fife Council).

- 1] **Madam Chairman's Welcome / Apologies:** Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Arthur Ashton, John Dudgeon, & Cllr Les Wood. Madam Chairman reviewed the last year and listed a number of items which have not been actioned by the Council and the relevant authorities. The Community Council is voicing local concerns and issues and judging by the action, no-one is seriously listening. From now on the CC will be using the press to highlight issues and where relevant, Council inactivity. Some successes were noted but they were outweighed by three to one. Dave Paterson asked the CC to write to him with a full list of the issues and see if these items can be resolved. This was agreed that the Secretary write to Dave on these issues.
- 2] **Minutes:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. They were moved by Lilah McKay and seconded by Douglas Campbell.
- 3] **Matters Arising From Minutes:**
The drain covers in Alderston Drive have been repaired.

There were no matters arising from the minutes that were not catered for elsewhere in the Agenda.
- 4] **Madam Chairman's Report:** The chairman had nothing to report that was not covered later in the agenda.
- 5] **Secretary's Report Inc Correspondence:**
The month's correspondence was reported to the meeting by the Secretary.
Correspondence follow-ups: Cathy Jamieson re Police funding; FETA re consultation; EAGA re invite. The Secretary & Cllr Tolson reported that no feedback had been received from Scottish Water on the subject of the Christie Street sewer collapse.
- 6] **Treasurer's Report:**
The Treasurer, Kate Findlay stated that the balance of the Community Council account stood at £2208.60.

7] **Council:**

Issues raised included...

- Yellow Lines, Speed Bumps and Christie Street already covered in Chairman's welcome and Matters Arising.
- Parking at matches. This issue was discussed at length and the Secretary noted that the CCs appeal for restrictions on the blind part of Bellyeoman Road had no sooner been rejected than the current blanket parking restrictions are being imposed. Secretary, Graeme Whyte felt that the proposed parking ban was a sledgehammer to crack a nut in our CC area and the residents would be more badly affected by the traffic restrictions than any problem parking. Cllr Tolson supported the move by Fife Council and the Police to impose blanket parking restrictions around games on matchdays.
- Bus Stop pavement cracking in Robertson Road. This issue was originally issued with Cllr Helen Law and is still on-going. Cllr Wood to be advised.
- Council grass cutters are leaving messes on the pavements. No collection/tidying of grass-cuttings is being made. Cllr Tolson reported that Fife Council have given the time & money issues for the limited grass-cutting service that we experience. Cllr Tolson suggested that a hike in Council tax would be needed to improve the situation. The Secretary suggested that a more efficient use of public resources by Fife Council could improve the level of service whilst keeping Council Tax down.



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8] AOCB:

- **Zebra crossing at top of New Row:** Madam Chairman noted that it was one of the most dangerous crossings known. Whilst this is not directly in the CC area, it was agreed that this was a ludicrous place to have sited the crossing and Fife Council should be pressed to make necessary safety adjustments.
- **Top of New Row parking:** Why is parking allowed on this narrow steep slow approaching the zebra crossing? Madam Chairman called for improved approach to parking planning.
- **Council Offices:** Walmer Drive & 82 High Street will remain open, despite many offices merging at the New City House.
- **OAP Xmas Offering:** Lunch or gift? A number of options were discussed. It was agreed to have an Xmas afternoon tea for the OAPs.

9] DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The date & time of the next meeting which will be the AGM and first meeting of the newly elected Community Council was scheduled for Wednesday 13th October 2004 at 7.00pm in the James Allan Centre, Paton Street, Dunfermline. Dave Paterson kindly agreed to chair the start of that meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.30pm.

Signed:

Date: