

Bellyeoman Community Council

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 13th October 2004 AT 7.00PM IN THE JAMES ALLAN CENTRE, DUNFERMLINE.

PRESENT:

Wilma Allday (Madam Chairman), John Dudgeon (Secretary), Graeme Whyte (Acting Secretary), Tom Brand (Vice Chairman), Jessie Cartmell, Douglas Campbell, Donald Heigh, Lilah McKay, Janet Miller, Cllr. Jim Tolson, Cllr. Les Wood. Members of the public S Inglis, H Cunningham, M Robertson, J Leslie, A Currie & H Keenan.

- Madam Chairman's Welcome / Apologies: Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. Outgoing Secretary, Graeme Whyte had agreed to complete taking the minutes for this evening. Apologies were received from Dave Manderson & Kate Findlay.
- Minutes: The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. They were moved by Donald Heigh and seconded by Tom Brand.
- **Matters Arising From Minutes:**

There were no matters arising from the minutes that were not catered for elsewhere in the Agenda.

- Madam Chairman's Report: The chairman had nothing to report that was not covered later in the agenda.
- 51 **Secretary's Report Inc Correspondence:**

The immediate Past Secretary, Graeme Whyte read out the month's correspondence to the meeting. The following items required further action or decision.

DCACC: It was agreed that Kate Findlay and Graeme Whyte would remain as Bellyeoman CC's representatives to DCACC. The next DCACC meeting was to held at 7pm in the City Chambers on 21st October 2004.

Best Kept Towns Awards. Wilma Allday and Jessie Cartmell agreed to represent the CC at this Civic Reception on Tues 19th Oct 2004 at 7pm in the City Chambers.

Fife Council. The Statement as to Persons Nominated would be completed by Graeme Whyte and returned to David Henderson.

Police Report from CPC Dave Morman:

Please accept this as my written report the area covered by Bellyeoman C.C.

For 3 of the last 4 weeks I have been on annual leave. I had hoped to make the meeting on Wednesday evening, however due to a change of shift, was not working at the material time.

In terms of hard numbers 14 crimes/offences have been recorded in the area over the past month, with 10 being detected. A 71% success rate is a good return, but of course we are all striving to do better. The crimes/offences cover the spectrum from minor frauds to assaults, Breach of the Peace, thefts and vandalisms.

Several complaints have been made recently regarding the use and abuse of the football park and changing facilities at the park on Paton Street. This matter has been taken up Peter Howden, and money has been found to raise the height of the fence to prevent balls ending up in the gardens of those residents in Ormiston Park. In addition, I have been told that the council will be speaking to the team managers of teams that use the facilities in the area, to try and ensure that some form of decorum is maintained.

I have now started to hold regular surgeries in Queen Margaret Hospital. On a rotating basis the surgeries will be in the public area near to the Earl Grey coffee shop, and the following week in the staff canteen. In addition I have been in touch with the new head of hospital security, and hope to have a more fruitful relationship with him, than with his predecessor. It won't have escaped anyone's notice that the nights are drawing in now. Consider buying an automatic light timing switch so that by 8pm'ish there are lights on in the house. Light is the enemy of would be burglars and a cheap switch can save a lot of heartbreak. If you would like a home security survey carried out please let me know.

Neighbourhood watch. Is there enough demand out there to form any neighbourhood watch schemes? If so give me a call,

If there are any matters that you wish brought to my attention, then either speak to me when I am out and about or call 01383 - 318700 and leave a message with the call handling centre who will contact me.

The Immediate Past Secretary had written to Dave Paterson about the outstanding issues raised by Wilma Allday at the last meeting. Dave had only just received this and was not expected to respond to tonight's meeting.

In addition, Wilma Allday noted that the proper re-alignment of the Adamson Crescent/Robertson Road junction was not completed. Dave Paterson noted this.

Wilma ask the Secretary to ask Dave Morman for meeting with QMH personnel re parking and pavement access problems.

Treasurer's Report:

In the absence of the Treasurer, the accounts would be available for the next meeting.

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Issues raised included...

Cllr Wood reported that the **Ormiston Park fencing** was currently being erected.



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- Youth drinking in the Paton Street park has been reported to the Police by Cllr Wood.
- Brent Vivien had been found by Cllr Wood to be the contact required to arrange a site visit re Landscaping. Wilma noted it was now 13 weeks since this meeting had been requested. Cllr Wood promised to organise this meeting as soon as possible.
- Football parking restrictions. Cllr Tolson had reviewed his support for the blanket parking restrictions and was now asking for a system to allow residents to park sensibly or lift the blanket ban completely because of the problems being encountered by residents. Cllr Tolson has asked the officials to report back within one month. Tom Brand noted that the locking of the cemetery gate in Bellyeoman Road had reduced the number of cars parking near there. Wilma Allday's observations were that parking was not too bad at recent matches. CC Graeme Whyte suggested that the CC give Cllr Tolson full support for his new position on this subject which now echoed the view recorded in last months minute.
- Leys Park nursing home closure. Cllr Tolson informed the meeting that Leys Park nursing home is planned to shut on 28th December 2004. Fife Council will endeavour to re-house residents. The owners of the home have their nearest other home in Perth.
- Cllr Wood to look into pavement crack at the Bus Stop in Robertson Road near the post box.
- Bus Shelters. Various bus shelters have popped up around Dunfermline, some where no buses or vehicles could travel and the CC was unable to secure a bus shelter in Robertson Road. The CC recorded their disappointment at Fife Council's apparent inconsistent stance (excuse the pun) on the provision of bus stop shelters.
- Trees cut down at top of Aldertson Drive and left lying. Dave would check to see if they were subject to any preservation orders.

New St. Andrew's Erskine Church: Opens on 28th October 2004 and the first service on 31st October. Rat in James Street. Dave Paterson will report this. Members of the public should advise Environmental Health of such issues to the Dunfermline Local Office.

Credit Union. Dave Paterson advised that meetings about Credit Unions were being organized in Dunfermline. They were also being widely advertised in the press and local radio. Further information could be obtained from him.

New Row. Zebra crossing and parking issues are still being followed up by Wilma Allday.

Rubbish. Wilma Allday noted that a lot of rubbish was being dumped in the corner of the football park in Robertson Road.

Buses. Wilma reported that she had written to Mr Walker of Stagecoach re the problems with the buses. He will monitor the timekeeping of the 55A.

Hedges and fences. Dave Paterson would seek clarification from planning on the rules affecting the height and regulation of fences and hedges.

QMH Chimney. Wilma Allday had noticed that the main QMH chimney stack had started to smoke/steam more than usual over the last few days. This would be monitored.

Xmas Afternoon Tea. It was agreed to hold this on the afternoon of Monday 13th December 2004. Wilma Allday and Kate Findlay would be organising this event with as many volunteers as possible. **QMH.** Cllr Wood would update the next meeting on Health Board proposals for QMH services.

Kingseat Junction. This junction is in desperate need of re-painting and should be treated as a priority by the Council. This was noted by Dave Paterson.

DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING:

The date & time of the next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 10th November 2004 at 7.00pm in the James Allan Centre, Paton Street, Dunfermline.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

Signed:		
Date:		