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Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 13 March 2019 at 19:30hrs in the Jean Mackie Centre, Dunfermline.

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Sederunt: (Present / Apologies):

Community Councillors & Councillors:			
C.Cllr Wilma Allday (Madam Chairman)	Р	C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane (Vice-Chairman)	Р
C.Cllr Graeme Whyte (Secretary)	Р	C.Cllr Richard Davison (Treasurer)	Р
C.Cllr Ross Cassidy		C.Cllr John Dudgeon	Р
C.Cllr Alan MacAskill	Р	C.Cllr William Muir	Р
C.Cllr Keith Omond	Р	Cllr Helen Law	Α
Cllr Gavin Ellis	Р	Cllr Ian Ferguson	Р
Others:			
PC Kirsty Kay	Α	PC David Haffey	Α
Anne Omond	Р	Peter Collyer	Α
Alan Whyte	Р	Mary Whyte	Р
Ruth Watson	Р	Norma Farquharson	Р

- **1. Welcome and Apologies:** Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were recorded.
- 2. Police Report: PC Kirsty Kay had submitted a report which was read to the meeting and a copy uploaded to the website. The main issue reported was vandalism at the Primary School. Members of the public were reminded to report non-urgent Police matters to their local community police officers by email police@bellyeomancc.org.uk.
- **3. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed. They were proposed by C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane and seconded by C.Cllr William Muir.

4. Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:

The Secretary had written to Fife Council about the issues raised at the last meeting regarding shrubbery maintenance at Drummond Place and Fife Council had reported that the shrubs had been cleared to allow access to the fence for repairs and maintenance. There were no other matters arising that were not catered for on the agenda.

5. Officers' Reports:

- **a.** *Chair:* Madam Chairman had nothing additional to report.
- **b. Secretary:** The secretary reported on the following matters:
 - i. Meeting Venue. Ian MacFarlane had offered the CR Smith Bistro as an alternative venue for CC meetings. The suitability and availability of the Jean Mackie Centre would be monitored, and the decision reviewed at a future meeting.
 - ii. **Correspondence re Band Initiative**. C.Cllr William Muir agreed to read the letter and respond.
- **c.** *Treasurer:* The Treasurer reported that the CC bank balance stood at £8201.89.

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i. The Grant Funding Application System was being developed. A draft online application form had been developed by C.Cllr Richard Davison as part of the application system. The budgets, policy and GDPR issues are to be worked on.

6. Planning - planning@bellyeomancc.org.uk

- **a.** Taylor Wimpey Development. There was currently no update.
- **b.** Paton Street Development. Update. Some planting has been started. Alan Whyte wrote to John O'Neill about the flooding/ice issues on Paton Street park path and John O'Neill had agreed to investigate. Cllr Ellis had also spoken to John O'Neill and with the demolition of the band hall, this may present an opportunity to work on this issue at the same time.
- c. Bellyeoman Depot Re-Development. The Secretary had written to Pam Ewen as requested and read the email and her response to the meeting. The Community Council was disappointed that after all the efforts to work pro-actively with the Council Planning Department, that they appeared to have forgotten the promise made last year.
- **d. Kent Street.** There was no update on this matter.

7. Public Services - publicservices@bellyeomancc.org.uk

a. Whitefield Road Speed Limits. No update at present.

8. Environment - environment@bellyeomancc.org.uk

- a. BiB (Bellyeoman in Bloom). New plants are being provided to the church and the school for their respective planters. C.Cllr Davison was also working on preserving the woodwork of the seats and planters. As the seats/planters could no longer be stored by Fife Council it was agreed to deploy the 2 x seats and 2 x planters as follows: Richard to liaise with John O'Neill re relocating the Primary School seat. The Secretary was to investigate placements for the other seat and planters with Lauriston Nursery.
- **b. Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** A plan to re-vitalise the woodland was detailed to the meeting and it was agreed to follow up this initiative. The Secretary was asked to develop a proposal document and seek costings from Fife Council.
- **c. Alderston Drive Trees.** Cllr Law had previously intimated that she was helping to facilitate a meeting for residents to move this matter forward. This is still ongoing.
- **d. Band Hall, Paton Street.** Cllr Law had previously reported to the meeting that the lease expires on 31 March 2019. It is expected that the band hall will be demolished in the next 6 weeks or so.
- **e. CoOp Lane Maintenance.** Cllr Ellis has agreement from Fife Council that works will be carried out over the year. Cllr Ellis would press for this to be done as and when required and not left to the end of the growing season.
- f. Puddle at CoOp Pavement. Cllr Ellis had chased this issue up, as had the Secretary. Members of the public are also voicing their concerns about the puddle. Given the inaction by Fife Council on this matter after the issue was first raised at CC some four



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years ago, it was agreed that Cllr Ellis would raise a complaint on our behalf and the CC would post news updates on this matter to our Facebook and website pages.

g. Virgin Cable - **Pavement Works.** Complaints had been received by the CC from member of the public about the poor quality of work experienced by the Virgin Cable contractors in the area. After some discussion, Cllr Ferguson agreed to write to the Director of the contractor, expressing these concerns.

9. Education - education@bellyeomancc.org.uk

a. Logo Competition. C.Cllr Richard Davison reported on the shortlist of designs for the competition. It was agreed to take a vote amongst C.Cllrs for the winners.

10. Community Outreach - communityoutreach@bellyeomancc.org.uk

- a. Cold Weather Issues. There was still no update at this stage with no known action from Fife Council. Cllr Ferguson would report on the Fife Council meeting on these issues, which is due to meet on 14 March 2019.
- b. Gritting Priorities. The Secretary had written to Fife Council asking for advice as to who to contact about including Ellon Place as part of Farnell Way when that street is gritted. The officer at Fife Council is either ignoring the CC requests or is not receiving the emails. Cllrs were asked to assist with this matter. Cllr Ferguson agreed to follow-up on who to contact re street classifications and Cllr Ellis agreed to follow-up on the lack of response from the Fife Council officer concerned.

11. Community Spirit - communityspirit@bellyeomancc.org.uk Nothing to report.

12. PR & Marketing - prmarketing@bellyeomancc.org.uk

a. **New Community Council Logo.** This was discussed under item 9a above.

13. Councillors' Reports:

- a. Dog Poo. Cllr Ellis asked people to report offenders to Fife Council.
- **b. Education Committee**. This Fife Council committee will be reviewing High School provision in Dunfermline. The Shepherd site will become the new home for Fife College (Lauder), and a proposal is to build new High Schools on that site too. Other schools may expand with more buildings, e.g. Queen Anne.

14. AOCB

a. Scout Hut, Leys Park Road. Madam Chairman reported on the car park resurfacing works that blocked access to the scout building with little or no notification from Fife Council. Beavers, cubs, scouts and judo club attendees were all affected badly by the works. The Scout Hut has been there since the early 1960s and a Council Official claimed they did not know who owned it. Cllr Ellis is investigating the background to these works which are claimed to have been carried out on Scout-owned land.



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- **b.** Whitefield Road/Kingseat Road sign: Signs have been demolished. The Secretary was asked to contact Phil Clarke on this matter.
- **15. Date and Time of Next Meeting:** Madam Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and intimated that the next meeting of the Community Council was scheduled for Wednesday 10th April 2019 at 19:30hrs in the Jean Mackie Centre, Robertson Road, Dunfermline.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:00hrs.