



**Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 11 September 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)	P	C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane (Vice-Chairman)	A
C.Cllr Graeme Whyte (Secretary)	P	C.Cllr Richard Davison (Treasurer)	P
C.Cllr Ross Cassidy		C.Cllr Alan MacAskill	
C.Cllr William Muir	A	C.Cllr Keith Omond	P
Cllr Gavin Ellis	A	Cllr Ian Ferguson	P
Cllr Helen Law	A		

**Others:**

PC Kirsty Kay	A	PC Jen Fargie	A
Anne Omond	P	Alan Whyte	A
Mary Whyte	A	Ruth Watson	P
Norma Farquharson	P	Peter Collyer	A
Frances Henderson	P	Mary Russell	P
Janet Gilmour	P	Liz Paterson	P

- Welcome and Apologies:** Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were recorded.
- Police Report:** PCs Kirsty Kay & Jen Fargie provided the following report. 16 crimes and 151 calls recorded. A window was smashed at Bellyeoman PS but unfortunately, due to non-working CCTV no one has been caught.  
Members of the public were reminded to report non-urgent Police matters to their local community police officers by email - [police@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:police@bellyeomancc.org.uk).
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Subject to a minor correction to section 8.a.i, the Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.03). They were proposed by C.Cllr Richard Davison and seconded by C.Cllr Wilma Allday.
- Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:**  
There were no matters arising that were not catered for on the agenda.
- Officers' Reports:**
  - Chair:** Madam Chairman reported on the following.
    - Replacement C.Cllrs.** C.Cllr William Muir is continuing to work on an animated video which may aid recruitment to the C.C.
    - Date of next Strategy Meeting.** The last week in September was agreed.
  - Secretary:** The secretary reported on the following matters:
    - Misc. Correspondence.** Miscellaneous correspondence had been received and circulated. In addition, Members were reminded of the date schedule and venues for future meetings, which would be available on the website and Facebook page. John O'Neil...

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# Bellyeoman Community Council

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December		No Meeting

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January	15 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
February	12 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
March	11 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
April	8 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
May	13 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
June	10 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
July		No Meeting
August	12 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
September	9 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
October	7 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
November	11 <sup>th</sup>	CR Smith Bistro
December		No Meeting

- c. **Treasurer:** The Treasurer had reported to the Secretary that the CC bank balance remained unchanged at £7890.49.
- A draft Grant Funding Application policy has been circulated to members. This item is to be finalised at the next Strategy meeting.
  - Annual Grant Application – Fife Council. The deadline is 31/12/2019. Audited accounts will be sent also. We have not yet received funds for 2019/20.
  - The annual invoice for the CC Email System had been received from Microsoft. The amount being £86.40.

## 6. **Planning - [planning@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:planning@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**

- Taylor Wimpey Development.** There was no update on this matter.
- Paton Street.** The following update was reported on planting on the Campion home site. The Secretary contacted Campion Homes and they have now completed the planting along the Gabion wall. The Secretary was asked to remove this item from the Agenda.
- Bellyeoman Depot Re-Development.** There was no update at this stage.

## 7. **Public Services - [publicservices@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:publicservices@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**

- Lauriston Park Safety Railing.** Cllrs Ferguson and Ellis had arranged a site meeting with Mr Clarke of Fife Council. The correspondence recommends that a barrier be installed but we await any confirmation of this. It was regrettably noted that Cllrs Ferguson and Ellis chose not to inform the C.C. of this site visit until after the event. Our elected members, above all, should be aware of the serious concerns of the C.C. regarding engagement by Fife Council in general and certain staff members in particular. The C.C. recorded their disappointment and hoped that future communications would be improved.
- Whitefield Road Speed Limits.** No update at present.
- Pedestrian Crossing - Lauriston Park/Robertson Road.** No update at present.
- Play Area Consultation - Fife Council.**



- i. **General Consultation including loss of Lorimer Gardens Play Area.** The CC asked for views on the proposals for all play areas in and around our boundary. These views would be distilled and submitted by the C.C. to the Fife Council Consultation process. Concern was noted that all play areas to the south of the railway track are earmarked for closure. A discussion of the matter ensued.
- ii. **Paton Street Play Area.** Cllr Helen Law had met with Madam Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and Secretary to outline how any playpark development might be undertaken should the C.C. take this on board. Further discussion of this was needed by the Community Councillors. Given the consultation detailed at 7.d.i above, this added a layer of complexity to the process and it was agreed to discuss further at our next Strategy Meeting.

## 8. Environment - [environment@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:environment@bellyeomancc.org.uk)

- a. **BiB (Bellyeoman in Bloom).**
  - i. **Bulbs for Nursery & Church.** The Secretary was asked to contact the Nursery and Church for an update on their plans for the bulbs.
  - ii. **School Bench.** The bench at the school has been restored and is due to be replaced when time and weather allows.
- b. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** This item is ongoing at the moment as detailed last month.
- c. **Alderston Drive Trees.** Cllr Law had previously intimated that she was helping to facilitate a meeting for residents to move this matter forward. She is investigating a new approach with Estates. This is still ongoing.
- d. **Band Hall, Paton Street.** The meeting was pleased to record that the eyesore of the old Town Band Hall had now been demolished. Thanks were recorded to all elected members who had helped progress this matter over the last 4 years. This item would be removed from the Agenda.
- e. **Puddle at CoOp Pavement.** Works are due to commence during the w/c 21 October 2019. The CoOp have also fixed the downpipe that was leaking onto the path. Potholes and corroded street signs were discussed. Cllr Ferguson kindly agreed to follow up on these matters.
- f. **Virgin Cable - Works.** An update is awaited on the restoration of the trial area in Neidpath Place and the tarring of the pavement on Alderston Drive where a control box had been temporarily placed. The issues of Hawthorn Bank and Neidpath Place not being included in the Virgin network were discussed.
- g. **Alderston Drive Verges.** The Council had marked areas for repair and C-Plan contractors had re-tarred marked areas and put down soil and grass seed in areas along the verges of Alderston Drive. Cllr Ellis had agreed to investigate options to control verge parking at Alderston Court. He was unable to update the meeting in his absence.

## 9. Education - [education@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:education@bellyeomancc.org.uk)

The main issue affecting some families in the area has been the recent fire at Woodmill High School and the huge knock-on effect this is having. Congratulations were recorded for the



work of the school and Council officials in finding alternative provision at such short notice. Concern was expressed about clarity of funding for the new school building at the former Shepherd Offshore Facility.

**10. Community Outreach - [communityoutreach@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:communityoutreach@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**

a. **Cold Weather Issues.** There was still no update. Cllr Ferguson had promised to bring an update to the Community Council. A discussion ensued of various problems in the area. Cllr Ferguson had been unable to answer the original issues raised after the 2018 winter weather. He informed the meeting that nothing would be done to address the issues and suggested that the CC do what other CCs do. Given that our elected Cllr appears to be unable to act on these matters, Madam Chairman suggested that we consider writing to Fife Council Chief Executive, Steve Grimmond about the situation. The discussion drifted onto issues of vegetation and the lack of pruning. Cllr Ferguson suggested that nothing is being trimmed due to financial cutbacks by the Council.

**11. Community Spirit - [communityspirit@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:communityspirit@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**

Nothing to report.

**12. PR & Marketing - [prmarketing@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:prmarketing@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**

Nothing to Report

**13. Councillors' Reports:**

Nothing additional to report.

**14. AOCB**

- a. **Bellyeoman Park Path.** Thanks were recorded to John O'Neil of Fife Council and his colleagues for filling in the muddy potholes at the top of the railway steps.
- b. **Bellyeoman Primary School Parent Teachers Association.** Cllr Ferguson attended a recent meeting and encouraged parents to attend. They would like donations of books for the children's library.
- c. **Empty Council Housing Stock.** A question was raised about housing allocation and the problems of bad Council tenants. Cllr Ferguson would investigate this issue with Cllr Ellis.
- d. **Garden Maintenance.** An ongoing issue in Drummond Place was raised. Cllr Ferguson agreed to investigate this issue.

**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 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 19:30hrs in the Jean Mackie Centre, Robertson Road, Dunfermline.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:05hrs.