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

v1.02

Sederunt: (Present / Apologies):

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

AGM Business

- i. Welcome and Madam Chairman's Report: Madam Chairman, Wilma Allday, welcomed members to the meeting and asked Cllr Gavin Ellis to take the chair to elect the office-bearers for the coming year.
- ii. Election of Office Bearers for the coming year: Cllr Gavin Ellis took over the chair for the election of office bearers. The existing office bearers were nominated as follows. The nominees, proposers and seconders were as follows and these nominations were agreed unanimously by the meeting.

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Madam Chairman	Wilma Allday	Ian MacFarlane	Richard Davison
Vice-Chairman	Ian MacFarlane	Graeme Whyte	Keith Omond
Secretary	Graeme Whyte	Richard Davison	Ian MacFarlane
Treasurer	Richard Davison	Ian MacFarlane	Keith Omond

There being no other AGM business, the chair was handed back to C.Cllr Wilma Allday.

Monthly Meeting Business

- 1. Welcome and Apologies: Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were recorded. Members were asked to declare any perceived conflicts of interest, but none were raised. Due to the number of attending C.Cllrs at the October meeting being low, the meeting had been inquorate, and this evening's meeting was asked to ratify the meeting held on 9 October 2019. This was unanimously agreed.
- 2. Police Report: No report was submitted. Members of the public were reminded to report non-urgent Police matters to their local community police officers by email -

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<u>police@bellyeomancc.org.uk</u>. Addendum: Shortly after the meeting completed, PC Jen Fargie submitted a report and apologised for its delay due to operational reasons. The report was as follows:

Recorded Crimes 16 Calls to Police 146

- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.02). They were proposed by C.Cllr Keith Omond and seconded by C.Cllr Wilma Allday.
- 4. Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:

There were no matters arising that were not catered for on the agenda.

- 5. Officers' Reports:
 - a. Chair: Madam Chairman reported on the following.
 - i. Replacement C.Cllrs. C.Cllr William Muir had produced an excellent animated video which was now on our website and Facebook pages. It was hoped that this will help in our aim to recruit new members to the C.C.
 - ii. Strategy Meeting Report. A report was given by C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane of the Strategy Meeting held on Thursday 24 October 2019. A minute of that meeting is included as an appendix to this minute. C.Cllrs Ian MacFarlane and Graeme Whyte have to arrange the next strategy meeting for late January 2020.
 - **b. Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:
 - Misc. Correspondence. Miscellaneous correspondence had been received and circulated. In addition, Members were reminded to check the website for the dates and venues of future meetings as they are due to change in January 2020.
 - ii. CoOp pioneer. Samantha Gunn from the Robertson Road CoOp had made initial contact with the C.C. and would inform us about her role in the community in the new year.
 - c. Treasurer: The Treasurer reported that the C.C. bank balance was £7,654.09.
 - i. A Grant Funding Application policy was finalised at the last Strategy meeting. This is being rolled out on the website and Facebook pages. Thanks were recorded to Richard Davison for his work on this matter. Discussion ensued on the issues surrounding grants and donations and this will be further discussed and amended as required at the next Strategy Meeting.
 - ii. Annual Grant Application Fife Council. The deadline is 31/12/2019. Audited accounts will be sent by that date too. The Treasurer will circulate audited accounts to Members for agreement before being submitted to Fife Council.
 - iii. It was agreed to give donations of £100 each to Balfour Court, Jean Mackie Centre & Bellyeoman P.S.
- 6. Planning planning@bellyeomancc.org.uk
 - a. Taylor Wimpey Development. There was no update on this matter.
 - b. Bellyeoman Depot Re-Development. There was no update at this stage.
 - c. Kent Street. There was no update on the Developer's Appeal.

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

- a. Lauriston Park Safety Railing. Cllr Ellis is awaiting an update on the timescale for supply and installation of the railings. It was noted that the Council had installed a second set of barriers at the east end of the old railway path from Townhill. This was mysterious as they had not been requested and we still await installation of the Lauriston Park railings.
- b. Whitefield Road Speed Limits. No update at present. C.Cllr William Muir is working on this matter.
- c. Pedestrian Crossing Lauriston Park/Robertson Road. No update at present. C.Cllr William Muir is working on this matter.
- d. Play Area Consultation Fife Council.
 - i. General Consultation including loss of Lorimer Gardens Play Area. Everyone was reminded that the Council has asked for views on the proposals for all play areas in and around our CC boundary area and that the consultation runs from 21st August until 31st December 2019.
 - ii. Paton Street Play Area. A discussion ensued on what plans Fife Council had for play parks in our area and options for funding. This issue will be discussed further once we know the intentions of Fife Council in the new year. This is of particular importance for the Paton Street play area as developer funds are lying unspent by Fife Council.
- e. Potholes & Corroded Street Name Signs. In the absence of any update on this matter from Cllr Ian Ferguson, Cllr Helen Law kindly agreed to look into the maintenance schedule for street signs.

8. Environment - environment@bellyeomancc.org.uk

- a. BiB (Bellyeoman in Bloom).
 - i. Bulbs for Nursery & Church. The Nursery had posted on Facebook showing the planting of their bulbs. We look forward to seeing the flowers in the spring.
- **b. Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** This item is ongoing at the moment and will be reported on in the new year.
- 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. Nothing has been actioned on this.
- d. Puddle at CoOp Pavement. The Works were completed on time. Madam Chairman reported on the damage to the verge by the contractors and the verge has not been repaired. Wilma will write to Ian Balfour on this issue.
- e. Virgin Cable Works. Virgin Media had promised that the monobloc in Neidpath Place would be replaced by as close a match as possible. In addition the cabinet base hole at the entrance to Neidpath Place on Alderston Drive requires infilling. Madam Chairman had chased up these issues with Rory Sherwood-Parkin, Regional Affairs Manager of Virgin Media and is awaiting an update.
- f. Alderston Drive Verge at Alderston Court. Cllr Ellis would forward a Kingdom Homes contact to the Secretary so that the CC can write to them about this issue.

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- g. Seepage & Flooding across the area. Many areas had been reported including Paton Street Park, Lauriston Park & Robertson Road, and Alderston Drive at park. Cllrs Ellis and Law are taking up these issues and others across the north of Dunfermline with officers. Discussion ensued of the large number of flooding problems across North Dunfermline and the concern about the root causes.
- h. Potholes & Corroded Street Signs. This item was duplicated on the agenda and was dealt with at item 7e above.
- i. CoOp Lane. Maintenance of this area had been promised in the autumn/winter. Cllr Ellis reported that the path is on a list to be completed. It was observed that Fife Council are not 'Making Places', they are in fact 'destroying places' by letting them become run-down, and potentially unsafe for pedestrians.

9. Education - education@bellyeomancc.org.uk

- a. Woodmill High School. Cllr Fergusson had submitted his written explanation of the funding for the Joint Learning Campus at Halbeath. The Scottish Government was criticised for their inaction in not providing funding for a replacement Woodmill High School. Given the circumstances, is this not what a responsible Government should do?
- **b. Junior Community Council.** C.Cllr Richard Davison is in contact with Bellyeoman P.S. about the subject of a junior Community Council.

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

- a. Community Open Day. Discussion ensued about the proposal to hold a possible community open day in 2020. Plans are to be discussed in the new year.
- 11. Community Spirit communityspirit@bellyeomancc.org.uk
 Nothing to report.
- 12. PR & Marketing prmarketing@bellyeomancc.org.uk
 Nothing to Report

13. Councillors' Reports:

- a. Glen Bridge. Cllr Helen Law reported on consultation to improve this area.
- b. Christmas Light Switch-on. Cllr Helen Law also intimated that the Christmas light switch-on would take place in the City Centre on Saturday 16 November.
- **c.** Awards. Cllr Helen Law also reported that Dunfermline City Centre had won an award along with 'Best Park' for Pittencrieff Park.
- d. Improved police patrols. Cllr Gavin Ellis reported on a satisfactory increase in Police patrols in the area and particularly those affected by reported anti-social behaviour.
- e. Amazon. Cllr Helen Law reported that Amazon are keen to work with local communities. It was noted that this may be a potential source of funding for any future projects.

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14. AOCB

No matters were raised.

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 15th January 2020 at 19:30hrs in the CR Smith Bistro, Gardeners Street, Dunfermline. Full details and directions would be posted on the website.

Madam Chairman noted that no conflicts of interest had arisen and with there being no further business, the meeting closed at 21:25hrs.

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Appendix

Minutes of Strategy Review Meeting

Notes of meeting held on Thursday 24th October 2019

Attendees: Wilma Allday (WA), Keith Omond (KO), Richard Davison (RD), Ian Macfarlane (IMacf)

Apologies: William Muir (WM), Graeme Whyte (GAW), Ross Cassidy (RC), Alan MacAskill (AMacA)

1. Funding/grant application system

Awards criteria proposed and a few amendments suggested. Under eligibility RD/GAW checklist, change to "answer YES to some of the following...." and under exclusions "are mainly for the development of religious or political campaigns."

Send to GAW for final comment and if no objections, proceed as above.

2. Recruitment

WM provided a first-class video for CCs. It was agreed that this promotional video can go live asap. RD suggested that all those on the CC use their own social media to promote and KO also suggested to try to get into the Dunfermline Press if possible.

3. Paton Street play area

Helen Law met with IMacf, WA and GAW. The general consensus was that funds from the builder only should be used and that the area at Robertson Road was a better site for investment. Agreed that we would raise this with the CCs at the next CC meeting. RD is investigating possible funding.

RD

4. Creation of new walkways/access to woodland parks and bird boxes to encourage biodiversity.

Waiting on winter to get a clear picture of what a proposed plan might look like once GAW the greenery disappears. Follow this up with GAW.

5. Junior Community Council

RD will speak to the head at BCC.

RD

6. Bellyeoman open day

It was suggested that we do this in June 2020 to foster community spirit and harness ideas from the community. Discuss at the next CC meeting.

7. Next meeting. TBC