

# Bellyeoman Community Council

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## Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 15 January 2020 at 19:30hrs in the CR Smith Bistro, Dunfermline.

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### Sederunt: ( Present / Apologies ):

#### Community Councillors & Councillors:

C.Cllr Wilma Allday (Madam Chairman)	P	C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane (Vice-Chairman)	P
C.Cllr Graeme Whyte (Secretary)	P	C.Cllr Richard Davison (Treasurer)	P
C.Cllr Ross Cassidy	P	C.Cllr Alan MacAskill	A
C.Cllr William Muir	A	C.Cllr Keith Omond	P
Cllr Gavin Ellis	A	Cllr Ian Ferguson	P
Cllr Helen Law	P		

#### Others:

PC Kirsty Kay	P	PC Jen Fergie	P
Anne Omond	P	Alan Whyte	A
Mary Whyte	A	Ruth Watson	P
Norma Farquharson	A	Samantha Gunn (CoOp Pioneer)	P

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** Madam Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were recorded. Members were advised that the meeting was being recorded. Cllr Ferguson had written earlier that afternoon to Fife Council Officer Phil Clarke and in that email stated the following: *"I have the fun that is Bellyeoman Community Council this evening. The item below, and the caustic comments within it will be raised. I'd guess it will take at least 15 minutes for everyone to vent their spleens, I will time it and let you know."* Given the unprecedented nature of the Councillors comments, the Chair asked him to explain in writing what he meant by his comments and to apologise to the Community Council. The Chair asked Cllr Ferguson to leave the meeting at this point, which he agreed to do. Members were also asked to declare any perceived conflicts of interest, but none were raised.
- Police Report:** 132 calls had been made to the Police in the last period and investigation was being made into debris dumped at the side of Lauriston Drive. 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:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.02). They were proposed by C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane and seconded by C.Cllr Keith Omond.
- 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.
    - Lauriston Parks Barrier.** Some discussion ensued about the issue which had prompted Cllr Ferguson's comments, which was the provision of barriers at the bottom of the path in the Lauriston Park. Mr Clarke of Fife Council had stated that the process to install the barriers could take 2-3 months. It was therefore hoped that we should see the barriers installed sometime in February or March.



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- ii. **Replacement C.Cllrs.** Members were once again encouraged to ask interested members of the public to consider attending C.C. with a view to being co-opted as members.
      - iii. **Strategy Meeting Report.** C.Cllrs Ian MacFarlane and Graeme Whyte would look to arrange the next strategy meeting. Dates would be circulated to members.
    - b. **Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:
      - i. **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.
      - ii. **CC Review.** Boundaries. The meeting discussed the issue and were broadly happy with the existing boundary and appreciated that future change may be necessary when the Halbeath/Taylor Wimpey housing is built to the east of our area. The Secretary was asked to respond to the Council with this viewpoint.
    - c. **Treasurer:**
      - i. **Accounts Report.** The Annual Report was submitted as per the previous minute and all cheques had been issued as requested. The Treasurer reported that the C.C. bank balance was £8,332.17.
      - ii. The Annual Fife Council Grant of £878.08 had been received.
  - 6. **Planning - [planning@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto: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.** The Developer's Appeal had been successful. This was regrettable given the breaches of local Planning Policy in the application.
    - d. **National Planning Framework 4 – Early Engagement – scope of NPF4 – feedback by 31/3.** It was agreed to discuss members feedback at our next Strategy Meeting.
    - e. **37 Townhill Road.** The new developers are expected to proceed with development. It was understood that the existing plan for four homes with two homes facing in opposite direction from the original may be progressed. Any amended Planning Application should appear on the planning portal.
  - 7. **Public Services - [publicservices@bellyeomancc.org.uk](mailto:publicservices@bellyeomancc.org.uk)**
    - a. **Lauriston Park Safety Railing.** As previously noted, Fife Council had intimated that this railing was requested in December and the process normally takes 2-3 months for completion. We are pleased that this matter is now progressing.
    - 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 Proposals inc. Paton Street.** Cllr Helen Law suggested that a meeting with Kevin O'Kane of Fife Council to discuss possible outcomes may be a way forward.
    - e. **Corroded Street Name Signs.** No update. Cllr Law agreed to follow this up. She would also follow up a bad pothole in Townhill that was mentioned.



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

- a. **BiB (Bellyeoman in Bloom).** No update.
- b. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** This item is ongoing at the moment and the Secretary hoped to be able to progress this project soon. The Secretary will also aim to recruit assistance with this project – volunteers please. Samantha Gunn intimated that the CoOp would be interested in helping where it could.
- 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. Cllr Law will continue to press this issue which affects many areas.
- d. **Virgin Media - Update.** The works at Neidpath Place have now been completed.
- e. **Alderston Drive Verge at Alderston Court.** Cllr Ellis has provided a contact number for Kingdom Homes to the CC. The issue of CoOp delivery lorries damaging the verges in Alderston Drive was also raised and Samantha Gunn took this issue away.
- f. **Seepage & Flooding across the area.** Update. Paton Street park has had work carried out installing a drain under the footpath. The C.C. urged Fife Councillors to support the departments looking after the C.C area such as street-sweepers and park workers. Efficiencies were discussed such as lorry squads and the ratio of those working to those sitting in the vehicle. Discussion also included supervision levels.
- g. **CoOp Lane.** Not yet cleared.

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

Richard Davison had talked to BPS Head. Meeting arranged for next week to discuss future possibilities such as a junior Community Council.

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

- a. **Community Open Day.** To be discussed at Strategy Meeting.

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:**

- a. **Leys Park Road Shuttle Bus.** This was reported as being a successful initiative over the Christmas period.
- b. **Council Budget Meeting.** The Council is due to meet soon to discuss budgets for the year ahead.

14. **AOCB**

- a. **CoOp Pavement Verge repairs.** The chair has written to the Council officers concerned and no response had been received from the Council staff.

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- b. **Venue.** Thanks were recorded to Ian MacFarlane for provision of the new venue for the C.C.

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 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 19:30hrs in the CR Smith Bistro, Gardeners Street, Dunfermline.** Full details and directions are 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 20:45hrs.