



**Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 12 February 2020
at 19:30hrs in the CR Smith Bistro, Dunfermline.**

v1.01

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 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	A
Cllr Helen Law	A		

Others:

PC Kirsty Kay	A	PC Jen Fergie	A
Anne Omond	P	Alan Whyte	P
Mary Whyte	P	Ruth Watson	A
Norma Farquharson	A		

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** 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.
- Police Report:** The Police report had been received and there were 136 calls in the area with 22 recorded crimes. Members of the public were reminded to report non-urgent Police matters to their local community police officers by email - police@bellyeomancc.org.uk.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.01). 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.
 - Cllr Ferguson.** Cllr Ferguson had sent an email at 5pm, just before this meeting. His apology read as follows: *"I apologise for any distress my email caused last month"*. There was no explanation given for his comments. Discussion of Cllr Ferguson's conduct ensued. It was agreed that further action will be taken on this matter in due course.
 - Treasurer.** Richard Davison had tendered his resignation after the last meeting and had been regretfully accepted. C.Cllr Ian Macfarlane expressed his disappointment at how Richard Davidson conducted himself at the last meeting and at the tone and content of his correspondence to our Chair. C.Cllr Ian Macfarlane felt much of the correspondence was contradictory and could have been handled better by Mr Davison.
 - Strategy Meeting Report.** C.Cllrs Ian MacFarlane and Graeme Whyte will arrange the next strategy meeting, provisionally on 18 March.



- 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. The Secretary was asked to query C.Cllr William Muir about the Press releases for meetings.
 - ii. **5G Moratorium.** Correspondence had been received asking us to raise concerns about 5G mobile technology.
 - iii. **Community Portal Project.** The meeting discussed this and felt it was not geared towards the requirements of our C.C.
- c. **Treasurer:**
 - i. The C.C. bank balance was £8,332.17.

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.** This item had been included in the agenda in error as it had been concluded last month.
- d. **National Planning Framework 4 –** The Early Engagement stage of consultation is currently under way regarding the scope of NPF4. Feedback is required by 31 March. Any feedback could be discussed by members at our next Strategy Meeting.

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

- a. **Lauriston Park Safety Railing.** Still waiting.
- b. **Whitefield Road Speed Limits.** No update at present. C.Cllr William Muir is working on this matter. More residents have been raising this issue with the Community Council. C.Cllr William Muir would be asked what action he has taken on this issue and to raise it with the Police again.
- 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.** A meeting with Kevin O'Kane had been suggested by Cllr Helen Law as a possible way to progress this issue.
- e. **Corroded Street Name Signs.** No update. Cllr Law to follow this up.

8. **Environment - environment@bellyeomancc.org.uk**

- a. **BiB (Bellyeoman in Bloom).**
- b. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** The Secretary met with John Easton of Fife Council and is saddened to report that even if we source funds for the work, Fife Council are no longer in a position to carry out any required work for us as they simply do not have the manpower. It was noted that the SNP/Labour administration of Fife Council is cutting services to the bone or stopping them altogether while Council Tax continues to rise.
- 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.



- d. **Alderston Drive Verges.** This issue is ongoing. Fife Council is destroying verges too and not repairing them, which makes it difficult to complain about private businesses and residents when they do the same. The Council damaged the verge at the CoOp in October and despite a number of emails from our Chair to the Council Officer responsible, he has still refused to send any reply to the CC. It was suggested that the Chair now write to John O'Neill on this matter.
- e. **Seepage & Flooding across the area.** The Paton Street park drainage work seems to be working. Thanks to Cllr Gavin Ellis and the Council for fixing this.
- f. **CoOp Lane.** It was suggested that Fife Council needs to re-evaluate priorities as areas of shrubbery not affecting residents have been trimmed, while the CoOp lane remains steadfastly ignored for over a year.

9. **Education - education@bellyeomancc.org.uk**

It was suggested that someone should contact the Bellyeoman Primary School head to discuss future possibilities, such as a junior Community Council. This matter will be discussed at the next Strategy meeting.

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

- a. **Community Open Day.** To be discussed at the next Strategy meeting.

11. **Community Spirit - communityspirit@bellyeomancc.org.uk**

Nothing to report.

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

Nothing to Report

13. **Councillors' Reports:**

Nothing additional to report.

14. **AOCB**

- a. **Craigmyle Street Surface Drains.** These are blocked and weeds growing in them. Mr A Whyte has raised this issue with the Council.
- b. **Pavement unsafe with roots.** The pavement between the CoOp and Neidpath Place has root damage which is a potential trip hazard. The Secretary was asked to raise this matter with John O'Neill.

- 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 11th March 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 20:50hrs.