



**Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 10 June 2020  
at 19:30hrs in a Zoom Virtual Meeting.**

v1.03

**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	P	C.Cllr William Muir	P
C.Cllr Keith Omond	P	C.Cllr Ruth Watson	P
Cllr Gavin Ellis		Cllr Ian Ferguson	A
Cllr Helen Law	P		

**Others:**

PC Kirsty Kay	A	PC Jen Fergie	A
Anne Omond	A	Alan Whyte	A
Mary Whyte	A	Norma Farquharson	A
Chris Osborne	P		

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** Vice-Chairman, Ian MacFarlane 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 68 calls and 9 recorded crimes. The Police has increased patrols at the primary school to try to deter vandalism. 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 (v1.04). They were proposed by C.Cllr Keith Omond 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/ViceChair:** Madam Chairman and the Vice-Chairman had nothing to report that was not already on the agenda.
  - Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:
    - Misc. Correspondence.** Miscellaneous correspondence had been received and circulated.
    - Community Woodland.** The Secretary reported that Zoe Mayes, a teacher at Bellyeoman Primary School was actively supporting and involved in the Woodland Project.
  - Treasurer:**
    - The C.C. bank balance was £8,332.17.



- ii. Election of Treasurer. C.Cllr Ross Davidson was nominated for the post of Treasurer by C.Cllr Graeme Whyte and seconded by C.Cllr Keith Omond. This was agreed unanimously.
- iii. Bank Mandate Resolution. It was agreed in accordance with the Constitution and Rules that the following changes are to take effect: Richard Davison is to be removed as a signatory from the above account held with Bank of Scotland. We Confirm that Ross Cassidy is to be added as a new signatory to the account held with Bank of Scotland. We hereby certify that the above resolution is in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of this Organisation.
- iv. Cllr Law discussed the issue of funding requests by Community Councils, a topic also raised by Cllr Ferguson via email. The CC had not received any correspondence on this matter but given expected funding requirements and our currently available funds, there was little expectation in this financial year that the C.C. would require additional funding. Once operations return to normal, this situation may well change and would be addressed at the time.

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

- a. **37 Townhill Road – 19/01769/FULL.** This application has been passed by Fife Council Planning with some standard conditions. The C.C. look forward to seeing this development completed.

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

- a. **Potholes.** The Secretary had forwarded details of the pothole that he had on his list to Cllr Law. Cllr Law reported that Kane Smith of Fife Council would attend to this as soon as possible.

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

- a. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** Zoe Mayes, a teacher at Bellyeoman Primary School had approached the Community Council about the Woodlands. The Secretary met with Ms Mayes to look at the woodland and briefly discuss the project and the stage that any planning for it had reached. Zoe had indicated that she was keen to be involved and help in a practical way to at least improve access ahead of the school term starting in the autumn. Such an outdoor resource would be of particular importance when schools return and any possible social distancing guidelines that may be in place for the school. Zoe's input was welcomed. The Secretary reported that a Microsoft Team had been setup for the Woodland Planning team. It was hoped this might prove a useful centralised resource for those involved. C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane suggested that the woodland project could be part of our education brief when we carry out our 6-monthly review of the Strategic Plan.

## 9. Councillors' Reports:

Councillor Helen Law reported on the following issues:

- a. The Community Pantry and Foodbank are still operating out of Baldridgeburn.
- b. The possible timetable for schools re-opening in the autumn was discussed.



- c. Nursery Provision. The building programme had been delayed. Cllr Law was disappointed that there was no additional provision in North Dunfermline and reported that there had been difficulties with the Halbeath site.
- d. Recycling Centre. It was hoped that the recycling centre would be returning to normal over the coming weeks.
- e. Cllr Law explained how the Planning Committee was now meeting 'virtually'.
- f. The Council was looking at how to safely re-open the High Street after lockdown and was looking into possibilities of extending the scope of the pedestrian zone.

## 10. AOCB

- a. **CoOp Lane.** C.Cllr Wilma Allday raised the issue of the CoOp lane which she reported was virtually impassable in sections. It was hoped that this would be a priority once lockdown restrictions were lifted.
- b. **Weeds.** C.Cllr Keith Omond raised the issue of weeds in the streets. Given the current restrictions on Council activities, it was suggested that householders clear any weeds immediately outside their own properties.
- c. **Alderston Drive Trees.** Mr Chris Osborne raised the issue of the tree belt along Alderston Drive. The Community Council assured Mr Osborne that although this item was not on the current shortened agenda, it remained on the Community Council list of items to follow-up in coming months. Having said that, the total inaction of the Council to date on enforcing the planning conditions was noted which, if it had been enforced, would have ensured these areas would have been maintained.
- d. **Strategy Review.** C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane asked members to think of ideas for our forthcoming Strategy review meeting.

11. **Date and Time of Next Meeting:** The Vice-Chairman thanked everyone for their attendance and intimated that the next meeting of the Community Council was scheduled for **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020 at 19:30hrs in a Virtual Zoom meeting.** *It was noted that we do not normally hold a meeting in July and it was agreed that this year we would make an exception as we had missed March and April meetings and current meetings are shorter than normal.*

The Vice-Chairman noted that no conflicts of interest had arisen and with there being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:20hrs.