



**Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 12 August 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	A
C.Cllr Alan MacAskill	P	C.Cllr William Muir	A
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 Fargie	A
Anne Omond	A	Alan Whyte	A
Mary Whyte	A	Norma Farquharson	A
Chris Osborne	A		

- 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:** There was no Police report. 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 (v1.02). 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.
 - Zoom and Office/Microsoft 365.** The Community Council agreed to pay for Zoom for one year to allow longer meetings at a cost of £143.88 and the Office 365, now called Microsoft 365, for email, Teams etc., was due for renewal too at an expected cost of £86.40 based upon last year's invoice. This was unanimously agreed. The Secretary reported that he had secured a 20% discount on the advertised price.
 - CC Scheme Revision.** It was noted that the CC Scheme Revision consultation was ongoing and that the CC had not raised any objections to the proposed changes to the rules.



- iv. **Bellyeoman / Townhill CC Boundary.** *The Secretary had written to Townhill CC passing on our condolences to all those involved with or affected by the tragic accident in Townhill the previous week. The Secretary also intimated that the CC had no objections to the suggestion that had been discussed to move the Townhill/Bellyeoman CC boundary to the middle of the Kingseat Road, with the effect of moving the field and the few houses on Townhill Road and Kingseat Road (North) into the Townhill CC area. See map below.*



c. **Treasurer:**

- i. The C.C. bank balance was £8,332.17.

6. **Planning**

There were no planning matters to discuss.

7. **Public Services**

- a. **Potholes.** The pothole reported at Colliston Road had still not been repaired and Cllr Law would continue to chase this matter up with the appropriate .
- b. **Drainage.** The drainage issues in Craigmyle Street are ongoing.
- c. **Grass-Cutting – cutbacks.** After some discussion, it was agreed that the, yet to be proposed, but already actioned, grass cutting cutbacks could not reasonably be seen as re-wilding, they were simply abandonment of the public park. Cllr Law was in agreement with the Community Council that we will work to ensure our public park space is not abandoned and left unusable. Areas such as footpaths and lanes and the Community Woodland had already been abandoned by Fife Council and in the case of the Woodland, had become unusable as a community resource. Members felt that enough 're-wilding' had already taken place in Bellyeoman. Cllr Law agreed to keep the CC informed of any developments.

8. **Environment**

- a. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** No action had been forthcoming in recent weeks. This was primarily due to concerns about the safety of the woodland given the sink hole that had appeared. Cllr Law and the Secretary agreed to seek further information on the sink hole and what action would be forthcoming to fill in the hole.



9. Councillors' Reports:

- a. **Park Railings.** Cllr Ellis had written to Fife Council (Phil Clarke) to ask about the delayed railings, not least after recent tragic events in Townhill. Phil Clarke's department were yet to provide an appropriate response.
- b. **Weather Issues.** Cllr Law reported that following the recent torrential rain and electrical storms that the Bellyeoman area had not been badly affected compared with some other areas, which was welcome news.

10. AOCB

- a. **CC Strategy Document.** C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane reported that he hoped to have a revised draft Strategy Document ready for C.Cllrs in September and hoped that a project such as the Community Woodland could embrace the Environment and Education.
- b. **Elected Councillors Attendance.** C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane noted that some of our elected Councillors rarely attend our Community Council meetings. This is regrettable and if the CC is to work in partnership with Fife Council, including the elected members, then much better participation by elected Members would be required.
- c. **Mossmorran.** Cllr Law had circulated a note via the Secretary reporting that Mossmorran was yet again flaring, this time due to the recent electrical storms.
- d. **Parks.** The Secretary was pleased to report that in addition to John O'Neil in the Parks department, we would soon have the benefit of working with a new member of staff, Mark Blackman. The CC wished Mark all the best in his new role and the Secretary reported that Mark had been in contact with a view to meeting the CC and visiting our area sometime in September at a mutually convenient time.

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 9th September 2020 at 19:30hrs in a Virtual Zoom meeting.**

The Vice-Chairman noted that no conflicts of interest had arisen and with there being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:25hrs.