



Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 8 September 2021 at 19:30hrs in a Zoom Virtual Meeting.

v1.01

Sederunt: (Present / Apologies / Unknown):

Community Councillors & Councillors:

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

Others:

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| PC Stewart Paton | A | PC Callum Jenkins | A |
| Alan Whyte | A | Mary Whyte | A |
| Zoë Mays | P | | |

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** The Vice-Chairman, C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane, welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were recorded. Members were asked to declare any perceived conflicts of interest either now or at the appropriate point in the meeting.
- Police Report:**

The Police had met with the Secretary and discussed matters of interest to the residents of Bellyeoman.

 - Paton Street Park Tree Fire.** It was noted that there had been a fire in trees in the Paton Street Park. This was believed to be 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.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.01). They were proposed by C.Cllr Wilma Allday and seconded by C.Cllr Keith Omond.
- Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:**

There were no matters arising that were not already included in the agenda.
- Officers' Reports:**
 - Chair/Vice-Chair:**

Madam Chairman had nothing specific to report that was not covered on the agenda.
 - Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:
 - Misc. Correspondence.** Miscellaneous correspondence had been received and circulated.
 - Future Meetings:** After some discussion, the committee unanimously agreed to stick with holding our meetings via Zoom, at least until Spring of 2022 when it would be reviewed.



c. Treasurer:

- i. The C.C. bank balance was £8,584.29.
- ii. In the absence of the Treasurer, Vice-Chairman Ian MacFarlane would check with Ross about *Internet Banking* setup and *Annual Accounts Preparation*.

6. Planning

- a. **Taylor Wimpey - Halbeath.** It was noted that the Weekly Planning list included the details of the demolition of Wester Whitefield Farm, which was necessary for future house building and the re-alignment of Whitefield Road. The background documents with this demolition notice gave some very interesting reading about the history of the area including the old mine workings of Wester Whitefield, which had manifested themselves last year in the Community Woodland.
- b. **Unclassified Roads.** Fife Council have renumbered unclassified (minor) roads to match national naming conventions. Only two are affected in Dunfermline North Ward.

7. Public Services

- a. **Core Path – Bellyeoman - Townhill.** Cllr Law had visited the path with her colleague Kimberley, whose team have agreed to plan in work on the path but are not able to work on the step. Cllr Law has contacted Fife Council's Mark Blackman about the step work, to see what can be done.
- b. **Overgrowing hedges.** It was noted that the Barchester Home hedge had not been cut back and the CoOp lane remains un-maintained, although this work has been scheduled for October 2021.
- c. **Gritting Routes Review.** Ellon Place. The review was coming before a Fife Council Committee tomorrow (9 Sep 2021) and it was understood that Ellon Place was being recommended for inclusion in the gritting route when Farnell Way is gritted. This was welcome news, and we await confirmation of this following the meeting of the Council.

8. Environment

- a. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** Zoë Mays reported that children are now allowed off site as the Covid restrictions lift. This means that we should be able to progress with plans for the woodland over the winter.
- b. **Alderston Drive Trees, ongoing.** Cllr Law is in the process of arranging a meeting with Cllr Vettraino to see areas affected such as Alderston Drive.
- c. **Lochhead Dump.** No update at this stage.
- d. **Unmarked Speed Bumps.** Cllr Law agreed to continue pressing this matter for a response.
- e. **Paton Street Lane Barrier.** Cllr Law had received a reply from Fife Council on this matter which she would forward to the Secretary.

9. Education

- a. It was agreed that it will be a good strategy for the Community Council to be pro-active in supporting the primary school with various projects. C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane kindly offered to represent the C.C on Education matters. This was unanimously agreed.



10. Community Outreach

There was nothing to report at this time.

11. Community Spirit

There was nothing to report at this time.

12. PR & Marketing

There was nothing to report at this time.

13. Councillors' Reports:

Cllr Gavin Ellis

- a. **Lauriston Drive Litter Bin.** Cllr Ellis reported on the litter bin in Lauriston Drive.
- b. **Pothole at Bellyeoman Park.** Cllr Ellis was pursuing this matter as the hole was getting ever larger and had been present for months. The difficulty appeared to be finding which Fife Council department were responsible for this particular hole.
- c. **Robertson Road Refuge.** Cllr Ellis had reported to the Council, that an island refuge in Robertson Road had been damaged in a collision with a vehicle. The Council had promised that it would be replaced.

Cllr Helen Law

- d. **Disabled Access.** Cllr Law reported on budget that was available to spend on disabled access including a dropped-kerb at the James Allan Centre, Paton Street.
- e. **Bin Collection Issues.** Fife Council had reported that bin collection issues had been due to temporary staff availability issues, such as Covid 19 isolation. While we had experienced few problems in our area, it was reassuring that the Council were doing all they can to maintain the bin collection service in such difficult times.
- f. **Recycling centres.** It was hoped that these would re-open to the public without pre-booking in the near future.
- g. **Big Learning Campus.** Planning was well under way for construction of the new learning campus at Duloch.
- h. **City Centre Christmas.** While this year would not be fully back to normal, Cllr Law reported that the Council and business groups were making plans to encourage people back to the City Centre for Christmas shopping.

14. AOCB

There was no other competent business raised.

- 15. **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 6th October 2021 at 19:30hrs in a Virtual Zoom meeting.**

It was also noted that there had been no potential conflicts of interest intimated and with there being no further business, the meeting closed at 20:30hrs.