



## Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 9 March 2022 at 19:30hrs in a Zoom Virtual Meeting.

v1.03

### Sederunt: ( Present / Apologies / Unknown ):

#### 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 (Treasurer)	P
Gordon Harvey	P	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	P
Cllr Helen Law	P		

#### Others:

PC Stewart Paton	A	PC Paul Scougall	A
Alan Whyte	A	Mary Whyte	A
Zoë Mays	P	Gordon Pryde	P
Auxi Sousa	P	Craig McIvor	P

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** The Vice-Chairman, C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane, welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular Mr Gordon Harvey. Gordon has worked with the Community Council on many occasions. His nomination as a co-opted member is on the agenda at this meeting. 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. C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane noted that he would need to leave the meeting at 20:45hrs.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.03). They were proposed by C.Cllr Alan MacAskill and seconded by C.Cllr Wilma Allday.
- Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:**  
There were no matters arising that were not already included in the agenda.
- Police Report:**  
There was no Police report this month.
  - The Secretary informed the meeting that PC Callum Jenkins had left the area for a new role and had written to him thanking him for all his work and support during his time serving Dunfermline North. PC Paul Scougall is his replacement, and we look forward to meeting him in due course.
  - 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).
- Officers' Reports:**
  - Chair/Vice-Chair:**  
Madam Chairman had nothing additional to report at this stage.  
Vice Chairman, C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane proposed that our meetings start at 7pm given the changed circumstances following the effects of the pandemic, particularly on those members who previously had to commute home from Edinburgh. This was seconded by C.Cllr Graeme Whyte. The proposal was unanimously agreed.
  - Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:
    - Misc. Correspondence.** Misc. correspondence had been received and circulated.



- ii. **Co-opted Member.** The Secretary presented a nomination paper for the election of Gordon Harvey as a co-opted member. This nomination had been correctly completed as per the terms of the Scheme for Community Councils. Mr Harvey's nomination was unanimously agreed by the meeting.

c. **Treasurer:**

- i. **Balance.** The Treasurer reported that the bank balance stood at £9,333 following receipt of a cheque for £61 from the West Fife Coast and Community Councils organisation. This followed the dissolution of the group and the disbursement of funds to member organisations. C.Cllr Wilma Allday had written and acknowledged receipt of the monies.
- ii. **Internet Banking.** The Treasurer reported that internet banking was now setup.

## 6. Planning

- i. **Northern Link Road.** There was discussion about outline plans for the Northern Link Road. Members asked that the sketches of a possible route be attached as appendices to this minute for reference. Cllr Ellis agreed to follow-up with the Council to see if further information or consultation with the Community Council could be established. **Appendix 1** shows the overall suggested route of the NLR (East) which includes the closure of the existing Whitefield Road / Kingseat Road junction which is universally disliked at present. **Appendix 2** shows a sketch of an option for a T-junction connecting the existing Kingseat Road as it heads east out of Dunfermline. Another option being discussed is, to close Kingseat Road east of South Bellyeoman Farm to vehicular traffic. This option would help with the existing problem of speeding cars and accidents and would only involve a short diversion of traffic to the proposed new roundabout connector just south of Townhill village. It is believed that the latter proposal would be favoured by those who have expressed opinions to the Community Council thus far.
- b. **Taylor Wimpey Site - Whitefields.** Gordon Harvey reported on the two applications that were lodged in 2017. One was for the full area from Halbeath to Bellyeoman. The second was for a small section at the north-west corner of the site. It was understood that this smaller 'fallback' application was no longer needed. Some discussion ensued about the status of Fife Council's negotiations with landowners to build the railway bridge crossing at Halbeath. It was unclear whether this was progressing or whether it was in stalemate.
- c. **Bellyeoman Depot.** The public consultation documents for this site were available to view and a link would be posted on the CC Facebook and the website pages. It was noted that only pedestrian access was proposed through the old prison wall onto Bellyeoman Road. C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane agreed to contact Mr Eric Keenan to ensure that he and other Bellyeoman Road residents were aware of the proposals. The CC were unsure if Mr Keenan had received emails from the Secretary as no responses had been received.

## 7. Public Services

- a. **Core Path – Bellyeoman - Townhill.** Cllr Ellis was pleased to report that he had been in contact with the Fife Coast and Countryside Trust (FCCT) who had agreed to take on this project and fix the step and the section of core path that was made worse by the Fife Council teams despatched by Ian Jones (Fife Council Staff) to put in the wooden steps and then to remove them again! The CC look forward to hearing from the FCCT in due course.
- b. **Overgrowing hedges.** The Community Council wished to record their thanks to James Dewar of Fife Council for his quick work in ensuring a number of overgrown hedges were attended to by their owners.



- c. **Potholes.** The very poor state of the B912 from Whitefield Road to Kingseat and onwards to Hill of Beath and Kelty was noted again. Cllr Ellis & Cllr Law noted that repairs to sections of this road were due to be agreed on 22 March 2022 at the Council meeting. It was not known when the works might commence but they should start in the 2022/2023 financial year. Cllr Law reported that £219k allocated to the Kingseat Road sections and £114k to the Cuddyhouse Road.

C.Cllr Alan MacAskill suggested that we put a link on our Facebook and web pages to Fife Council's Report A Pothole page. This was agreed.

## 8. Environment

- a. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** Cllr Law discussed potential options for funding for this project. Cllr Law agreed to discuss this further with the relevant officers at Fife Council. Zoë Mays agreed to look for quotations for some of the potential works.

*C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane left the meeting at 20:45hrs as previously intimated and C.Cllr Graeme Whyte took the 'chair'.*

- b. **Unkempt Factored Areas.** Further discussion was held on this topic and both Cllr Law and Gordon Harvey noted that although this issue was a result of Council Planning Conditions, the problem was nationwide and not just in Fife or Dunfermline. It was agreed that any resolution to this issue needed to come from the Scottish Government. It was agreed to invite our MSPs to a future meeting to discuss this topic, although this would need to wait until after the local elections in May.
- c. **Lochhead Dump.** There was no update on this matter.
- d. **Unmarked Speed Bumps.** Cllr Law reported that this was on the Fife Council Officer's list but not high up. Cllr Law agreed to continue to chase this matter.
- e. **Play Park Reviews.** Zoë Mays had met with Sarah (who had previously intimated interest in this subject at previous meetings) and planned to meet with Cllr Law. This was with a view to form a sub-group of this Community Council.

## 9. Education

There was nothing to report at this time.

## 10. Community Outreach

There was nothing to report at this time.

## 11. Community Spirit

- a. **Queen's Platinum Jubilee – 2nd June 2022.** No plans had yet been agreed for the Platinum Jubilee. The Secretary was finding it difficult to obtain any help from the Council or the Police.

## 12. PR & Marketing

There was nothing to report at this time.

## 13. Councillors' Reports:

- a. **Cllr Law.** Cllr Law reported on the Platinum Jubilee celebrations that are planned for the Glen, details would be available in due course. Also, work was moving on with the Learning Campus at Duloch with the sod-cutting ceremony having been held.
- b. **Cllr Ellis.** Cllr Ellis reported on various antisocial behaviour issues that he had been dealing with on behalf of constituents over the previous few weeks.

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## 14. AOCB

- a. **Fife Access Forum.** Gordon Harvey is Community Representative on the Access Forum which is the mechanism for contributing to the Council's Access Officer decision making on core path issues. He had been endorsed into the role by Halbeath and Duloch CC some years ago but, given his change of location, felt it wise to ask whether Bellyeoman CC would support his continuing in the role. This was agreed..
- b. **National Planning Framework 4 Meeting.** Gordon Harvey had attended the meeting which had been very informative in many ways and highlighted the proposed new planning structures. The lack of third-party right of appeal was still missing from the Scottish Government's proposals, which is very disappointing. It means local communities remain relatively powerless against determined developers and with little or no protection from the Scottish Government's proposals.
- c. **Crystal Server Planning Notifications.** It was reported that the weekly planning notifications received from Fife Council by the Community Council are to be stopped. This was being replaced with a modified web portal which is available all the time and can be accessed by members of the public as well as Community Councillors and others. The link to this site would be added to our CC website.
- d. **Whitefield Road Crossing.** After some discussion about improvements to pedestrian crossing points on Whitefield Road, Cllr Gavin Ellis and the Secretary agreed to investigate this matter.

15. **Date and Time of Next Meeting:** The Secretary thanked everyone for their attendance and intimated that the next meeting of the Community Council was scheduled for ***Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2022 at the newly agreed time of 19:00hrs 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 21:25hrs.



- Site boundary (79.2ha)
- Existing trees and shrubs
- Existing hedgerow
- Proposed woodland with woodland edge
- Proposed woodland edge planting
- Proposed meadow grassland
- Proposed SuDS basins and swales
- Proposed SuDS pond
- Proposed amenity grassland
- Proposed tree line
- Proposed green link
- Proposal to de-culvert / divert watercourse
- Play area
- Proposed kickabout area
- Residential Parcels of Development (POD)  
Total area: 47.8 ha (118.12 acres)  
Around 1400 homes
- Character area to be located within POD
- Community Hub (2.87ha)
  - Business (0.6ha)
  - Community / Medical (0.2ha)
  - Retail (0.12ha)
  - School (1.95ha)
- Open space calculated on 1400 homes
- OS Provided
- Area (Ha)
- Area (acres)
- Total
- 8.4
- 20.8
- Northern Link Road (NLR)
- Connector street
- Neighbourhood street
- Tertiary street
- Private access to The Pleasance
- Pedestrian link
- Cycle path
- Node
- Potential to restrict access to pedestrians and cyclists only
- Land retained by land owner for grazing
- Steep slopes along Buckie Burn Dean
- Proposed embankments for railway crossing

Rev S - (09.07.18) Drawn: SB Checked: KT Approved: KT  
Note: IDP updated following Council's urban design comments  
Rev P - (22.05.17) Drawn: SMCK Checked: KT  
Note: Extent of land retained by land owner for grazing updated  
Rev O - (08.03.17) Drawn: SMCK Checked: KT  
Open space calculation updated  
Rev N - (02.03.17) Drawn: SMCK Checked: KT  
NLR junctions updated, notes amended  
Rev M - (22.02.17) Drawn: KT Checked: PM  
Layout adjusted and POD numbers updated to reflect phasing  
Rev L - (16.02.17) Drawn: SMCK Checked: KT  
Layout updated due to revised contours, road alignment and SuDS  
Rev K - (27.01.17) Drawn: SMCK Checked: KT  
Landscape framework updated  
Rev J - (10.01.17) Drawn: RM Checked: KT  
Layout Amended  
Rev I - (06.11.16) Drawn: SD Checked: BS  
Layout Amended  
Rev H - (14.07.16) Drawn: KT Checked: BS  
Layout Amended  
Rev G - (08.07.16) Drawn: SD Checked: KT  
Layout Amended  
Rev F - (22.01.16) Drawn: SD Checked: KT

Status: For Planning

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Appendix 2 - BCC Minutes - 9 March 2022

Prepared By: ⑥ NLR - JUNCTION WITH KINGSEAT ROAD, DUNFERMLINE

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