



## Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 15 June 2022 at 19:00hrs at CR Smith.

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### 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)	A
C.Cllr Gordon Harvey	P	C.Cllr Alan MacAskill	P
C.Cllr William Muir	A	C.Cllr Keith Omond	P
C.Cllr Ruth Watson	P		
Cllr Auxi Barrera	A	Cllr Gavin Ellis	P
Cllr Gordon Pryde	P		

#### Others:

PC Stewart Paton	P	PC Paul Scougall	P
Alan Whyte	A	Mary Whyte	A
Zoë Mays	P	Alex Allan	P
Derek Armitage (Dunf. Men's Shed)	P		

1. **Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** C.Cllr Wilma Allday welcomed everyone to the meeting, the first in-person meeting since the pandemic started in March 2020. Apologies for absence were recorded. Members were asked to declare any potential conflicts of interest either now or at the appropriate point in the meeting. C.Cllr Allday also expressed her thanks to C.Cllrs MacFarlane, Whyte, and Harvey for their support in chairing meetings when we met over Zoom.
2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.03). They were proposed by C.Cllr Keith Omond and seconded by C.Cllr Gordon Harvey.
3. **Matters arising from Minute not on the Agenda:**  
There were no matters arising that were not already included in the agenda.
4. **Police Report:**
  - a. The Police were welcomed to the meeting, and they gave the following information to the meeting: Thirty-two crimes had been reported in the recent weeks, which were mostly assaults, online abuse or youth issues. There had also been speeding and parking complaints, mostly on Townhill Road and Robertson Road. Neighbourhood mediation had also taken place with the help of Fife Council.
  - b. A member of the public asked about the increase in door-to-door salespeople in recent months and whether cold-calling at doors was a crime. The Police confirmed that cold-calling at doors is not a crime. Cllr Ellis said to contact him for any advice, and he will feed it back to Trading Standards (Scotland).
  - c. The question was also asked as to whether the Dunfermline Police Station was open for members of the public to drop in when they require to do so? Staffing issues may mean occasional use of the buzzer to gain attention.
  - d. 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).
5. **Officers' Reports:**
  - a. **Chair/Vice-Chair:**  
Madam Chairman had nothing additional to report at this stage.



**b. Vice-Chair:** The Vice-Chairman reported on the following:

C.Cllr MacFarlane welcomed the newly elected Councillors who were in attendance. He was glad to be starting face-to-face meetings again. Intermittent attendance and contribution from Councillors in the past had proved problematic for the Community Council. Every business needs to deal with budget cuts, however that had been the default excuse from Fife Council on many issues. Cllr Law had been a good support to the Community Council over her period in office. C.Cllr MacFarlane invited the new Councillors to get behind the Community Council. Perhaps they could split up issues by topic if that made the job easier. It was left to the Councillors to discuss what would work best. In the past it would have been better, on occasion, if some Councillors had not bothered to attend. In due course, the Community Council will re-assess the benefit of Councillors' input.

**c. Secretary:** The Secretary reported on the following matters:

- i. **Misc. Correspondence.** Misc. correspondence had been received and circulated. The Secretary was asked to add the Local Place item on the agenda for the next meeting.
- ii. **Meeting Format.** The future format of meetings was discussed, and whether they be solely in-person, or with a hybrid option, and Zoom only in the winter months (Jan-Mar), for example. It was agreed to review winter meetings nearer the time.

<b>Action:</b> Review winter months (Jan-Mar) meeting format
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**d. Treasurer:**

- i. **Balance.** There were not believed to have been any changes to the finances since the last meeting. The bank balance stood at £9,333, as per the last meeting. There are a few admin things to tidy up with the online account, which the Treasurer will attend to soon.

<b>Action:</b> Online banking admin items
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- ii. **Funds Allocation Proposals.** C.Cllr MacAskill proposed that a significant sum be given to the school to help the most deprived. Discussion ensued re the proposal and issues such as sustainability and efficacy. In the event that such a course was followed, the Secretary would need to check with Fife Council re the appropriateness of such spending. Zoë agreed to ask the School Headmistress to liaise with C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane re possible support with the school.

<b>Action:</b> School liaison with CC
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- iii. **Annual Accounts Preparation.** The Secretary would ask the Treasurer to prepare these, so that a draft would be available to review at our meeting in August.

<b>Action:</b> Prepare draft annual accounts
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**6. Planning**

- a. **Northern Link Road.** There was nothing new to report.
- b. **Whitefields.** A grouting application had been submitted for the site. Discussion ensued around issues which might affect the site and near neighbours, including environmental concerns. The age of the EIA being used was of concern. It was agreed that C.Cllrs Whyte and Harvey liaise over submission of a response from the Community Council.

<b>Action:</b> Prepare response for FC
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- c. **Bellyeoman Depot.** There was nothing new to report.

- d. **Kent Street Development.** The developers are to hold a drop-in session for the public to view their proposed plans on Monday 20 June 2022, from 15:00 until 19:30 in the Townhill Community Centre. Anyone with an interest was encouraged to attend.



- e. **Passivhaus Bill Consultation.** C.Cllr Gordon Harvey had prepared an excellent response to this consultation, on behalf of the Community Council, which was met with unanimous approval. C.Cllr Harvey would submit the response in due course.

<b>Action:</b> Prepare response for FC
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- f. **Local Place Plans.** It was agreed to postpone action on this item, as we had time to review in the future. It was something that the Community Council was keen to engage with.

## 7. Public Services

- a. **Core Path – Bellyeoman - Townhill.** We are still awaiting an update from the Fife Coast and Countryside Trust. Cllr Gavin Ellis would monitor this.

<b>Action:</b> Monitor FCCT progress on core path
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- b. **Hedges/Paths Maintenance.** The Secretary updated the meeting on the response from Mark Blackman and in particular the fact that the CoOp lane sits on the Housing Asset register. This would explain the problems in keeping it maintained over the years. The Community Council asked the Councillors forming the new Administration at Fife House to look at reviewing and simplifying asset ownership. We currently have a path which is 'owned' by Housing, is cleaned by cleansing, grass and bush maintenance by Parks, and surface maintenance by Transportation.

<b>Action:</b> FC review asset ownership
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- c. **Road Safety.**

### i. Potholes.

1. **B912.** It was now a firm expectation that the B912 resurfacing programme would start in mid-late July 2022.

2. **Bellyeoman Park.** These potholes remain unfixed, and this matter is ongoing.

- ii. **Speed Limits and Crossings on Whitefield Road.** This matter was continued to a future meeting.

- iii. **Unmarked Speed Bumps (e.g. Paton Street).** There was no update on this matter.

## 8. Environment

- a. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** This matter was continued to a future meeting.
- b. **Unkempt Factored Areas.** This matter was continued to a future meeting.
- c. **Lochhead Dump.** There was no update on this matter.
- d. **Play Park Reviews.** This matter was continued to a future meeting.

## 9. Education

Matters relating to Education were continued to a future meeting.

## 10. Community Outreach

C.Cllr William Muir had asked via WhatsApp about budget for Posters. The Secretary was to find out more about the proposal.

<b>Action:</b> Find out about poster requirements
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## 11. Community Spirit

There was nothing to report at this time.

## 12. PR & Marketing

There was nothing to report at this time.

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## 13. Councillors' Reports:

There was nothing additional to report at this time.

## 14. AOCB

- a. **Dunfermline Men's Shed.** Derek Armitage told the group that the Dunfermline Men's Shed is up and running again. It meets every Wednesday at 2pm for a couple of hours in the Steadings near the Glen Pavilion. For further information, visit their website:  
<https://dunfermlineshed.org.uk/>
- b. **Audibility.** Some members had commented on being unable to hear some speakers due to a number of reasons. This would be investigated for a future meeting.
- c. **Strategy Meeting.** C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane intimated that we would look to hold our next Strategy Meeting in late July. The Secretary would check for dates and advise members accordingly.

<b>Action:</b> Arrange next Strategy Meeting
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15. **Date and Time of Next Meeting:** C.Cllr Wilma Allday thanked everyone for their attendance and intimated that the next meeting of the Community Council was scheduled for **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 19:00hrs.**

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 21:00hrs.