



Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 14 September 2022 at 19:00hrs at CR Smith.

v1.02

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	A
C.Cllr William Muir	A	C.Cllr Keith Omond	A
C.Cllr Ruth Watson	P		
Cllr Auxi Barrera	A	Cllr Gavin Ellis	A
Cllr Gordon Pryde	A		

Others:

PC Stewart Paton	U	PC Paul Scougall	U
Alan Whyte	A	Mary Whyte	A
Zoë Mays	P	Alex Allan	P
Derek Armitage, Dunfermline Men's Shed	P	Norma Farquharson	P
Martin Willcocks, Dunfermline Greenspace	P	Lisa Murray, Touch Community Garden	P

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** C.Cllr Wilma Allday welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies for absence were recorded. A warm welcome was extended to our two new guests, Martin Willcocks (Dunfermline Greenspace), and Lisa Murray (Touch Community Garden), and to all members of the public in attendance. Members were asked to declare any potential conflicts of interest either now or at the appropriate point in the meeting.
- Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth:** A one minute silence was observed in memory of the late Queen Elizabeth, who had recently passed away.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting – Approval and Matters arising, not on the agenda:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.01). They were proposed by C.Cllr Ian MacFarlane and seconded by C.Cllr Gordon Harvey. There were no matters arising that were not already included in the agenda.
- Police Report:**
 - There was no Police Report this month.
 - Members of the public were reminded to report non-urgent Police matters to their local community police officers by email – police@bellyeomancc.org.uk.
- Dunfermline Green Spaces – Martin Willcocks:** Martin Willcocks and Lisa Murray gave a comprehensive overview of the objectives of Dunfermline Green Spaces and how this might impact or aid any projects in the Bellyeoman Community Council area. C.Cllrs relayed the issues faced in the area in terms of maintaining and improving our existing green spaces. Discussion ensued about the green areas that we have and how they could be integrated into a Dunfermline Green Space plan in the future. It was noted that the biggest threat to our green spaces in recent years had been Fife Council. Madam Chairman thanked both guests for their input and the Community Council look forward to hearing more on Green Space plans in the future.
Cllr Gordon Pryde had reported that an introductory meeting has been organised for parties interested in developing the Lauder/Donald Street green area.



6. Officers' Reports:

a. Correspondence:

The Secretary reported that miscellaneous correspondence had been circulated to members.

b. Bank Balance:

The current balance was £9,333.

c. Meeting dates:

It was noted that a number of C.Cllrs present would be unable to attend the October meeting due to be held on 5 October 2022. After some discussion, it was agreed that the October and November 2022 meetings would be held on the 26 October 2022 and 23 November 2022. It was noted that we do not normally meet in December.

7. Action Points:

a. Review.

A review of the action points in the previous minute was carried out. With so many key members absent this month, there was little to report. C.Cllr Gordon Harvey suggested that the action points may be easier for the Secretary to manage if they are moved from within the main minute and appear as an appendix in the future. It was agreed that this approach would be used for the minute of this meeting.

8. New Matters:

a. None.

There were no new items raised at this point.

9. On-Going Matters:

a. Bellyeoman Depot Housing.

A second set of supporting papers which contained errors had been submitted by the applicant. The errors made an assessment by BCC impossible. A draft response to the Council reflecting this would be circulated for approval.

b. Bellyeoman Community Woodland.

Nothing to Report, other than Cllr Gordon Pryde had volunteered to be part of this group.

c. Speed limits and crossing points on Whitefield Road at Hospital (currently 40mph) .

Cllr Gordon Pryde had reported (by email) that he has requested a meeting with the Transportation Lead Officer and is awaiting a response after their return from holiday. to Report.

d. Whitefields, 22/01557/EIA.

Two applications were to be considered at the September Central and West Fife Planning Committee. The first of these related to the grouting, and officials had effectively ignored the BCC concerns. The Council seemed unconcerned about the lack of a financial agreement with the developer and noted the proposed activity would not establish the route of the Northern Link Road (NLR). This, despite the realignment of Whitefield Road forming part of the first Phase of the development and the activity setting the boundary for part of the NLR route. There was also an unwelcome reliance on the developer voluntarily halting operations if flooding, noise or dust became issues.

e. Northern Relief Road (NLR) .

Nothing to report, other than the points in d., above and that the CC was concerned about funding arrangements for the NLR.

f. Kent Street Housing.

Nothing to report.

g. Local Place Plans.

C.Cllr Gordon Harvey advised the meeting that Local Place Plans might offer communities the opportunity to develop proposals for their local area, with Fife Council targeting completion of LPPs by October 2023. However, estimates of the resources required were 4 days a week for between 2 and 6 months to complete, with basic costs of leaflets and meetings around £1,000 but costs could be around £20,000 if expert input was needed.

Fife Council had indicated it would have a presumption in favour of the LPP conclusions being taken into account provided the LPP had taken all other policies into account. It would not apply retrospectively and there was some doubt over whether it could influence the existing



built environment. There was also no guarantee that Fife Council would incorporate any of the LPP contents.

The meeting had no confidence that the Council would take note of the community view given previous experience with planning consultations and it was pointless to consume such resources in those circumstances.

However, the meeting agreed Bellyeoman CC needed something to guide its engagement in planning. The meeting thought it would be useful to develop a community plan rather than an LPP. There was also benefit in possibly linking with other Community Councils on their community plan/LPP. Action Gordon Harvey.

- h. **B912 Road condition from Whitefield Road to M90.** Works were about to start on the Cuddyhouse Road (Kingseat – Cowdenbeath) next week for three weeks. This was good news. This only leaves the section passing Lassodie to be completed, along with the perennial potholes westbound, approaching the Whitefield Road junction.
- i. **Hedges/Paths maintenance.** The Care Home hedge had been trimmed at the Robertson Road bus stop, following timely intervention by Fife Council. It is disappointing that the care home management are not proactive and neighbourly.
- j. **Core Path Steps (Bellyeoman – Townhill).** Nothing to report.
- k. **Bellyeoman Park potholes.** Nothing to report.
- l. **Unkempt 'Factored' Areas (ongoing since September 2002).** Nothing to report.
- m. **Playparks Review.** Zoe Mays is liaising with others who may be interested in pushing for the Fife Council review and take action.
- n. **Lochhead Dump – smell.** Nothing to report.

10. AOCB

- a. **Cllr Emails.** All of the elected members had kindly sent in updates on certain issues, in their absence. The Secretary had reported most of these at the appropriate point in the meeting, however, one or two items not covered were as follows:
 - i. **Jean Mackie Centre.** Cllrs Ellis and Barrera had received concerns about the Jen Mackie Centre not fully re-opening after the COVID lockdowns, most specifically Day Care. Cllr Ellis had written to Cllr David Graham asking when services will be restored. Cllr Barrera is working with colleagues to find out what is happening about Day Care across Fife.
 - ii. **Graffiti.** Cllr Ellis had asked for the graffiti to be cleaned at the core path underbridge at Kingseat Road.
 - iii. **Headwell Community Council.** Cllr Ellis happily reported that Headwell Community Council was reforming.
 - iv. **Bellyeoman Road Markings.** Cllr Ellis has asked for the road markings to be re-painted.
 - v. **QMH Car Parks.** It had been reported that 'younger drivers' were using car parks as evening meeting points. Cllr Ellis had passed on all concerns to the Police.
 - vi. **Missed Bin Collections.** As deputy convenor of the FC Environment Scrutiny Committee, Cllr Ellis is making missed bin collection the number one point for scrutiny.
 - vii. **Stagecoach Services.** Cllr Barrera had written a letter of concern to Stagecoach over their proposed changes to services.
 - viii. **Cllr Barrera Surgery.** Due to the death of HM The Queen, Cllr Barrera's next surgery had been postponed until 22 September 2022 at the James Allan Centre, Paton Street. Appointments are not necessary, but welcome.
 - ix. **Primary School Donation.** It was unanimously agreed to make a donation to the Primary School of £150 for Halloween and Christmas celebrations for all the pupils.

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11. **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 26th October 2022 at 19:00hrs at the CR Smith Bistro.**

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 20:20hrs.

Appendix 1 – Action Points

Action	First Raised	Responsible
Unkempt areas: Liaise with Council Officers as discussed on resolution	2002	All Cllrs
Accounts: Audit Accounts for AGM	Aug 2022	RC
Strategic Plan: Update Strategic Plan Document	Aug 2022	IM / GAW
Meeting Format: Review winter months (Jan-Mar) meeting format	Jun 2022	All C.Cllrs
Online Banking: Finalise admin items	...	RC
Core Path: Monitor FCCT progress on Core Path & Steps	2021	Cllr GE
FC Asset Ownership: Work with FC to streamline asset management, e.g., a path owned by Housing, tarred by Transportation, bushes cut by Parks	2022	All Cllrs
Community Woodland: Volunteers required for Community Woodland Project team	Aug 2022	Everyone
Primary School: Liaise over supporting school activities	Summer 2022	IM / ZM
Playparks: Progress update on Council Playpark Review	Summer 2022	Cllr GE
Bellyeoman Depot: Comment on new layouts submitted	Sep 2022	GH / GAW
Local Place Plans: Consult with CCs re Community Plan options	Sep 2022	GH
Hedges / Paths Maintenance: Raise issues with Ken Gourlay	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
Bellyeoman Park Potholes: Resolve issues with Council	Spring 2022	Cllr GE
Whitefield Road Speed/Crossing: Raise issues on road speed and pedestrian crossing issues with Council	Summer 2022	Cllr GP
Methven Drive Potholes: Raise issues with Transportation Director	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
Graffiti: Progress removal of graffiti from core path underbridge at Kingseat Road`	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
Bellyeoman Road Markings: Chase re-application of road markings	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
QMH Car Park: Issues about evening misuse.	Sep 2022	Police / Cllr GE