

# Bellyeoman Community Council

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## Minutes of Meeting Held on Wednesday 26 October 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	P	Cllr Gavin Ellis	A
Cllr Gordon Pryde	P		

#### 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

- Welcome, apologies & conflicts of interest:** C.Cllr Wilma Allday welcomed everyone to the meeting. 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.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting – Approval and Matters arising, not on the agenda:** The Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed (v1.02). 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](mailto:police@bellyeomancc.org.uk).
- Officers' Reports:**
  - Correspondence:**  
The Secretary reported that miscellaneous correspondence had been circulated to members.
  - Bank Balance:** The current balance was £9,333.
- Action Points:**
  - Review.** Please read the Action Points table at the end of this minute for updates on Action Points from previous meetings.
- New Matters:**
  - Leaking Drain – Footpath at Kingseat Road overbridge.** A leaking drain was reported which is causing extensive flooding of the path at times. The What3Words location is: <https://what3words.com/cakes.incomes.junior>. Cllr Gordon Pryde agreed to take this matter forward.
- On-Going Matters:**
  - Bellyeoman Depot Housing.** The Planning Application had been passed by the Council. The Planning Committee discussed the pros and cons. Council Officers persuaded Cllrs that if they



refused it, this may result in an Appeal. Cllr Pryde moved for a continuation but was defeated 7-6 in a vote. Discussion ensued on the issues of the effectiveness of Elected Members in the face of Council Officers who, so often, use this lever to move for approval of developments. The C.C. thanked Cllr Pryde for attempting to ensure a fair assessment of this planning application.

- b. **Bellyeoman Community Woodland.** Nothing to Report, ongoing.
- c. **Speed limits and crossing points on Whitefield Road at Hospital (currently 40mph)** . Please refer to Action Points for an update.
- d. **Whitefields, 22/01557/EIA.** The grouting application was approved by the Council, despite the concerns of the CC and residents.
- e. **Northern Relief Road (NLR)** . The Council have stated that no EIA is required for the small section of NLR being proposed. This outcome seemed, to many, to be inappropriate as the whole NLR would almost definitely require an EIA. Splitting it up into small chunks that don't each require an EIA seems to be a disingenuous way for the Council to Police their own developments, i.e., the NLR, which still has not been consulted on and has no official route planned, after 10 years+ of preparation by the Council.
- f. **Kent Street Housing.** The formal planning application has now been submitted. It was in line with expectations. The CC would not be objecting, unless some material reason to do so, becomes known.
- g. **Local Place Plans.** We had agreed not to create a Local Place Plan. C.Cllr Gordon Harvey will work on a 'planning document' that had been previously agreed. C.Cllr Harvey had also invited neighbouring CCs to work together to exchange information on the shared issues. It was envisaged that this document would be presented as a draft in Q1 2023.
- h. **B912 Road condition from Whitefield Road to M90.** Works were completed on the Cuddyhouse Road section, towards Hill of Beath. This left two areas of note still outstanding. 1. Being the B912 as it passes Lassodie. 2. Being the approach to the Whitefield Road junction from Kingseat which has several very bad potholes which have existed for years, without any proper action by the Council.
- i. **Hedges/Paths maintenance.** There was still no action on the CoOp lane. The Bellyeoman Park edges needed a winter trim. The Secretary was asked to liaise with Mark Blackman of Fife Council.
- j. **Core Path Steps (Bellyeoman – Townhill).** The steps had been created and were positively received by those who had seen/used them. Progress on path still outstanding.
- k. **Bellyeoman Park potholes.** Discussed under Action Points, no progress at this stage.
- l. **Unkempt 'Factored' Areas (ongoing since September 2002).** C.Cllr Gordon Harvey and Derek Armitage are looking at Planning Intent when plans were approved. Discussion ensued about the Queensgate Estate Play Parks. In summary, Fife Council say they are not their responsibility, but seem to have carried out maintenance work at the north play area. Cllr Gordon Pryde would investigate why the play equipment had been removed and tar work completed by the Council if the playpark is not adopted/maintained by the Council.
- m. **Playparks Review.** There was some confusion as to whether the Council had produced the results of the review. Cllr Auxi Barrera agreed to investigate.
- n. **Lochhead Dump – smell.** Nothing to report.

## 8. AOCB

- a. **Gordon Street / Lauder Street Green Area.** Cllr Gordon Pryde is working with residents and officers to consult on options for developing and improving the use of the site.



- b. **Day Care Services.** Cllr Auxil Barrera reported that the NHS are reviewing provision of Day Care Services. There would therefore be no re-opening of Jean Mackie Centre Day Services at the moment, this included the coffee shop.

9. **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 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 19:00hrs at the CR Smith Bistro. This meeting would include AGM business.**

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 20:50hrs.

## Appendix 1 – Action Points

Action	First Raised	Responsible
<b>Unkempt areas:</b> Liaise with Council Officers as discussed on resolution. No update, Councillors seeking meeting.	2002	All Cllrs
<b>Accounts:</b> Audit Accounts for AGM	Aug 2022	RC
<b>Strategic Plan:</b> Update Strategic Plan Document. IM working on this document. Agreed to discuss at AGM.	Aug 2022	IM / GAW
<b>Meeting Format:</b> Review winter months (Jan-Mar) meeting format. Agreed to discuss at AGM. Completed.	Jun 2022	All C.Cllrs
<b>Online Banking:</b> Finalise admin items. No update.	...	RC
<b>Core Path:</b> Monitor FCCT progress on Core Path & Steps. The steps had been created and were positively received by those who had seen/used them. Progress on path still outstanding.	2021	Cllr GE
<b>FC Asset Ownership:</b> Work with FC to streamline asset management, e.g., a path owned by Housing, tarred by Transportation, bushes cut by Parks. No progress reported.	2022	All Cllrs
<b>Primary School:</b> Liaise over supporting school activities. IM had been to school and offered assistance where possible. Completed.	Summer 2022	IM / ZM
<b>Playparks:</b> Progress update on Council Playpark Review. No update from Council, but there was some confusion as to whether the Council had produced the results of the review. Cllr Auxil Barrera agreed to investigate.	Summer 2022 Oct 2022	Cllr GE Cllr AB
<b>Bellyeoman Depot:</b> Comment on new layouts submitted. Completed.	Sep 2022	GH / GAW
<b>Local Place Plans:</b> Consult with CCs re Community Plan options. Initial contact had been made with CCs and C.Cllr Gordon Harvey would be following up on this.	Sep 2022	GH
A 'planning document' would be drafted for review in 2023, Q1.	Oct 2022	GH
<b>Hedges / Paths Maintenance:</b> Raise issues with Ken Gourlay. Ongoing, no update.	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
The Secretary was asked to liaise with Mark Blackman of Fife Council on the issue too.	Oct 2022	GAW
<b>Bellyeoman Park Potholes:</b> Resolve issues with Council. Ongoing. Cllr AB agreed to follow this up.	Spring 2022	Cllr GE/AB

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<b>Whitefield Road Speed/Crossing:</b> Raise issues on road speed and pedestrian crossing issues with Council. Cllr GP reported that the Council would carry out a speed survey and look at options for better crossing points.	Summer 2022	Cllr GP
<b>Methven Drive Potholes:</b> Raise issues with Transportation Director. Cllr GP reported that the holes had now been filled.	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
<b>Graffiti:</b> Progress removal of graffiti from core path underbridge at Kingseat Road. This work had been completed.	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
<b>Bellyeoman Road Markings:</b> Chase re-application of road markings. Ongoing.	Aug 2022	Cllr GE
<b>QMH Car Park:</b> Issues about evening misuse. Ongoing.	Sep 2022	Police / Cllr GE
<b>Leaking Drain – Footpath at Kingseat Road overbridge.</b> A leaking drain was reported which is causing extensive flooding of the path at times. The What3Words location is: <a href="https://what3words.com/cakes.incomes.junior">https://what3words.com/cakes.incomes.junior</a> . Cllr Gordon Pryde agreed to take this matter forward.	Oct 2022	Cllr GP
<b>Queensgate Play Park (North):</b> Cllr Gordon Pryde would investigate why the play equipment had been removed and tar work completed by the Council if the playpark is not adopted/maintained by the Council.	Oct 2022	Cllr GP