

North Queensferry Community Council (NQCC)

Draft Minutes of Community Council Meeting: Thursday 14th February 2019

<p>Present: Iain Mitchell (IM), Lin Collis (LC), Jim George (JG), David Shields (DS), Sheila Foggon (SF), Fife Council (FC) Councillors: Cllr David Barratt (DB), Cllr Dave Coleman (DC), Cllr Dave Dempsey (DD) Cllr Alice McGarry (AM) Police PC Jim Bell (JB) PC Richard Duncan Public: Jacqui Low (JL)</p>		
Agenda Reference	Description	Action
1. Apologies	Donna Beveridge (DCB), Bruce Finlayson (BF), Mary Finlayson (MF),	
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting	Approved LC Seconded SF	
3. Matters Arising	<p>3.1 Police (4.4): Community Drop In: Community Centre committee being contacted. Police (4.5): Road signs for deer: DD reported that FC thought these were unnecessary. SF taking up matter with Iain Clark (Fife Council).</p> <p>3.2 Albert Hotel, (6): IM writing to solicitor handling licensing.</p> <p>3.3 Coastal path and St Margaret's Marsh, (7): Fly tipping removed; concerns about memorial sites near Cruikness being passed to Fife Coast and Countryside Trust; St Margaret's Marsh management meeting still to be arranged.</p> <p>3.4 Hound Point Smells: Meeting with Dalgety Bay Community Council to be arranged: delays due to difficulty contacting SEPA representative.</p> <p>3.5 Fife Councillors' reports (11): Successful walkabout with Fife Council Transport, Ian Balfour (IB), DD and JG: vegetation now cut back at bridge steps and fence repaired at Inchcolm; Action carried forward for DD to meet Jim West; DB noted no progress with seagull proof public litter bins: a trial of such bins taking place in Kirkcaldy; DC still looking to provide Ordinance Survey maps of Brock Street.</p> <p>3.6 Village defibrillators (15): SF reports issues with electrics at Battery Road Bus Stop – to be resolved by Fife Council.</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>IM</p> <p>LC</p> <p>DS</p> <p>SF</p> <p>DD</p> <p>DB</p> <p>DC</p> <p>SF</p>
4. Police Report	<p>4.1 Four calls since last meeting, (10 last month) 1 crime recorded – possession of cannabis. No resolution of theft of boat and trailer from Battery Road.</p> <p>4.2 Pierhead: No calls received – possibly because of Domehawk camera.</p> <p>4.3 Shell pickers in West Bay: West Bay is a Site of Special scientific Interest (SSSI: permission is required to take shell fish, without permission this shell picking could also be classified as theft. The Police Wildlife Crime website to be contacted.</p> <p>4.4 Police Community Drop in: at Dobbies, Dalgety Bay, between 10am and 12pm on Thursday 21 February. DS contacting Community Centre committee – see 3.1</p>	<p>LC</p> <p>DS</p>
5. Battery Road Car Park	After discussion NQCC agreed that this car park will be open from 6.30am all year round and would close at 6:30pm from October to March inclusive and at 10:30pm from April to September. DD asking	

13. Facebook Page	DS confirming that DB is now managing the Facebook page	DS
14. Pigeon droppings at railway bridge	Concern raised by resident following recent Glasgow incident. Contacting Network Rail to organise cleaning under the bridge and measures to deter pigeons from roosting there.	DS
15. Correspondence	Information received about Community Council Training/Information Sessions – ‘Governance and Good Practice’. IM / DS to review General Data Protection Regulation Guidance. DS / DB remainder.	IM / DS / DB
16. Any other competent business	<p>16.1 Discussion on renewing existing orientation boards. Forth Bridges Tourism Strategy will be working on signage in the village. The Strategy is being launched Wednesday 24 April.</p> <p>16.2 Pilgrim Way information board likely to be opposite the Ferrybridge Hotel, not at Pierhead.</p> <p>16.3 Report from World Heritage Management Group: Forth Rail Bridge - new LED lights proposed to save energy; Queensferry Crossing lighting currently on the most powerful setting: could be reduced to improve visibility of Forth Rail Bridge – A World Heritage Site; South Queensferry considering a large Burryman statue positioned in the Forth by the esplanade.</p> <p>16.5 Discussion without any actions concerning need to tidy up NQCC website.</p> <p>16.6 Permission given to purchase an external hard drive to copy the treasurer’s records on Christina’s computer and for use in the future.</p> <p>16.7 DS offered to represent NQCC at FC’s Community Engagement meeting on 23 February.</p>	LC
	<p>Next NQCC meeting: 7.30pm Thursday, 14 March, at North Queensferry Community Centre. Members of the public are very welcome to attend.</p>	