

**North Queensferry Community Council
Minutes of Meeting Held on 13th May 2010**

Present: Iain Mitchell Chairman Brian Armstrong Secretary Christina McKenzie Treasurer
Colin Bell Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier James Lawson Pat Dennison
Cllr. Douglas Chapman Fife Council Cllr. Keith Legg Fife Council

In attendance: 3 residents.

Apologies for absence:

David Greig Jan Short Robert McGregor (Co-opted Member)

Minutes of previous meeting:

Approved, subject to amendment relating to report on Cruicks Quarry Liaison Group.

Matters arising:

Nil

Fife Councillors' Reports:

FC is preparing a bid for the Rail Bridge to be awarded Unesco World Heritage Site status. 'Grass-crete' had now been laid to provide additional safer parking at the top of Brock Street. The state of the Battery Road Car Park had been raised by Cllr. DC at Committee and he has spoken with Balfour Beatty, who regard it as a Network Rail area of responsibility. DC to meet with Network Rail.

Provision of additional Domehawk CCTV systems was still awaited.

Support of Cllrs. DC & KL sought to achieve repairs to fencing and wall on B981 in vicinity of road bridge and provision of new Welcome to North Queensferry signs.

Police Report:

No crime trends or patterns observed in Inverkeithing or North Queensferry during April.

Two notable drug seizures were made in early April. Addressing Anti-social behaviour at Battery Road & Pierhead remains a priority area for the police. Speeding in 30mph zone at bottom of Ferry Toll Road added to priority list. Public urged to beware of a scam involving being flagged down by strangers & asked for money for petrol in exchange for (worthless) gifts or jewellery. **Next Community Engagement Meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th July at 7pm within Inverkeithing High School.**

Floral Enhancement: Arrangements are in hand to purchase an additional 11 planters, with appropriate plants.

West Bay - Report on Meeting 8th May:

This had provided an opportunity for a useful exchange of views aimed at achieving consensus on the way ahead. IM to provide a suitably informative article for inclusion in Ferry News.

Community Group Reports:

NQTI. Get Growing With Growing event on 24th April was a great success. Beach Clean arranged for 22nd May.

Heritage Trust. Official opening for Light Tower will be on 22nd June – 2 guides in post.

Railway Trust. Funding applications submitted.

Boat Club. Boat Festival will be on 11th September.

Sailing Club. FC grant used to buy 2 dinghies. To submit a costed and itemised bid to the Community Centre for purchase of helmets & lifejackets.

Treasurer's Report:

A £500 grant for floral enhancements has been received. Current balance is £4,205 of funds set aside and £3.87 for unrestricted use.

Planning Applications:

No contentious applications.

Secretary's Report (including correspondence):

Transport Scotland will provide a mid- year update in June. Secretary to request it be presented at a Public Meeting for North Queensferry residents during 4th week in June.

Governance:

There is a perceived need to examine some aspects of the Community Council's role, including, how closely it achieves the requirements of Fife Council's rules, how it can better reflect the views of residents, how it interacts and communicates with residents, its relationship with other NQ interest groups, etc. To be considered further.

Dates of Next Meetings – Thursday 10th June
Thursday 8th July