

**North Queensferry Community council**  
**Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2010**

Present. Iain Mitchell, Brian Armstrong, Christina McKenzie, Colin Bell, Simon Tate, Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier, Jim George, Myles Fitt, Cllr. Keith Legg (Fife Council)

In attendance. 2 residents.

Apologies for absence. Jan Short, David Greig, Cllr. Douglas Chapman(Fife Council).

Election of Office Bearers. This being the first community council meeting held since the election, Councillor Keith Legg chaired the first part of the meeting so that the election of new office bearers could proceed. It was suggested and agreed that since the interval between elections had been extended to four years, Office Bearers would, initially, be elected for one year. The following were elected:

Chairman:- Brian Armstrong  
Vice Chairmen:- Iain Mitchell, Colin Bell  
Secretary:- Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier  
Treasurer:- Christina McKenzie

Allocation of responsibilities. These were agreed as follows:

Minutes secretary - Simon Tate, Planning Matters - Jim George, Floral Enhancements – Jan Short, Policing Matters – Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier.

Minutes of previous meeting. Approved: proposed by Iain Mitchell, seconded by Christina McKenzie.

Matters arising. Nil

Fife Councillors Reports. Nil.

Cruicks Quarry. A report was given that Tarmac, owners of Cruicks Quarry, have submitted a Pre- application for an extension of their current licence to operate the quarry for up to an additional 17 years (until 2030). The community Council feel that this may affect the quality of life for the village as a whole and that further clarification regarding the extension should be given by Tarmac. It was decided that the community council would contact Fife Council to hold additional consultation on this matter - Iain Mitchell to action. A public meeting regarding the Quarry is being held at The Civic Centre in Inverkeithing on 19<sup>th</sup> November between 2pm and 7pm. It is hoped that a further meeting could be held In North Queensferry.

Rosyth Renewable Energy Plant. Iain Mitchell reported on the Liaison Group meeting he had attended on 21<sup>st</sup> October. Although no objections to the proposal were brought forward, the Community Council feels that additional information is required, specifically on particulate discharge, vehicle impact (coinciding construction with the new Forth crossing ), visual impact and noise. Public meetings are being held in various venues including Rosyth library from 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> November 9.30am – 1pm daily. Detailed documentation on the proposals is available in the Community Centre library – ask the caretaker for access.

Dunfermline and Coast Association of Community Councils. ( DACACC ). Having had CC members attend these meetings in the past, it was felt that there would be no need for councillors to attend any future meetings.

Community group reports.

NQTI. The food festival was a great success with many people attending the event. The NQTI has also offered a donation towards the replacement of a new notice board. Derek Timmins agreed to look at the catalogue for a possible replacement. This will also help in the refurbishment of the existing one.

Carbon cutters have to date completed surveys on 56 houses with more on the way.

West Bay Steering Group. A public open day has been organised so that people can attend and give their views/input into the project. Bacon butties and coffee/ tea will also be on offer.

Treasurers Report. Carried over until next meeting.

Community Council Framework/Role. A sub committee has been formed to identify the framework/future strategy in which the CC can best serve the community. The sub committee members are Colin Bell, Myles Fitt and Brian Armstrong. Recommendations will be brought to the CC in January 2011.

Correspondence. In response to an enquiry as to whether North Queensferry should be added to the list of areas which have a ban on alcohol consumption in public areas, the CC felt that, as there are no current issues on alcohol abuse or problems, it would not be appropriate to do so.

Possible Co-options. To be discussed more fully at the next meeting. In the meantime, the Chairman will speak to Robert McGregor regarding Parent Council representation.

Community Council Website.

This was discussed in regards to councillors being able to update/add additional information. TBA.

Police CEM Report.

The Chairman reminded those present that it is important that the village is represented at these meetings.

A.O.C.B.

With the works on the Forth Bridge nearing completion ( November 2011 ) it was felt that the CC should contact Network Rail in regards to the reinstatement of the picnic area under the bridge. The secretary will write to Network Rail regarding this issue.

Myles Fitt will try to ascertain why there are no longer lights on the Forth Bridge.

Dates of Next Meetings:

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2011.