



**Minutes of Cameron Community Council Meeting held in Cameron Hall on 19th
January 2011 at 6:30pm**

- Chairman:** Gordon Ball
- Present:** Gordon Ball, David Brown, Linda Cameron, Dick Bond,
Jennifer Wylie, David Scott
- Apologies:** Cllr. D McGregor, Peter Jerome, Bruce Thomson
- Attending:** Cllr. Mike Scott-Hayward
- Minutes:** Acceptance of the minutes of the meeting of 17th November 2010 was proposed D Brown, seconded by Linda Cameron, approved and signed by the chairman.
- Matters Arising:** A letter of objection to planning application No 10/00237/FULL for change of use of an equestrian centre and the erection of 5 dwelling houses at Kinaldy was sent on 10th December 2010.
- Carried Forward
From Previous
Minutes:** David Brown and John Paul raised their concerns over health and safety regarding the overgrown state of the hedges and shrubs at Lumbo farm road near the bridge and at Rainbow Cottage on the A915 and the Chairman agreed to contact Fife Council.
- Correspondence:** A positive reply dated 20th December 2010 concerning the accident at Craigtoun Road on the 24th September and grit Bins at Mount Melville, was received from Dr R McLellan, Head of Transportation. Fife Council will carry out a reassessment of the road geometry on C65 (the intersection of Craigtoun Road and Lumbo Farm Road) and has agreed to include the 3 No grit Bins at Mount Melville on their gritting schedule.
- An e-mail consultation on the draft Community Plan for 2011-2020 was received on 25.11.10.
- An e-mail consultation on the Funding of Community Councils was received on 11.12.10 and responded to by the Secretary.

A letter dated 1st December from Fife Council concerning ‘Have your say on making Council budget savings’ was received.

An e-mail on a Survey for a New Local Development Plan for Fife was received on 16.12.10.

It was unanimously agreed that there is such a plethora of consultations emanating from Fife Council that the Council is making unreasonable demands on the voluntary time given up by Community Councillors and dampening their enthusiasm for continued Community Council involvement.

A letter dated 23rd December was received from Fife Council concerning a training session for Treasurers on Friday 18th February in Glenrothes.

Other matters arising will be discussed later in the agenda.

Consultation on Wind Energy Guidelines

The Chairman thanked Dick Bond for his excellent and detailed response on behalf of CCC to the Fife Council consultation on Wind Energy Draft Planning Guidelines. Following a discussion it was agreed that Dick would draft a letter to be sent to SNH to highlight the important difference between ‘Climate Change’, a naturally reoccurring phenomenon and ‘Global Warming’ which may or may not be influenced by human activity through carbon emissions, as SNH appear to be careless in their use of the terms.

Craigtoun Park: A report following the review carried out by the Craigtoun Working Group (Cameron and St Andrews CC’s) was discussed.

A Charitable Trust could act as a special purpose vehicle to attract capital funding to regenerate the Park and provide improved facilities from nationally available sources, like the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF). This would require long term and guaranteed financial support from Fife Council to operate the Park, while the Trust established itself and prepared HLF bid documents. A precondition of HLF ‘Parks for People’ funding is the ability of the park to demonstrate sustainable operational and maintenance funding, which would be extremely difficult if not impossible for a new Trust to demonstrate. Other HLF funding restrictions would also require the Trust to find circa £1.3m from external funders, which would be an exceptionally onerous commitment.

The Working Group are of the view that it would be a sad day for North East Fife if a well respected and important parkland of great heritage value like Craigtoun Country Park, that has held happy memories for generations of locals and visitors alike, cannot be saved, regenerated and improved to its former glory.

**Planning
Application
10/04483/PPP**

Planning application 10/04483/PPP refers to the proposal to build 15 houses on land at Lathockar. It is a resubmission by the applicant of an outline application made earlier last year. The applicant and his architect previously addressed the Community Council to explain and outline the project. The CC agreed to support the application subject to certain works that the applicant said would be included in the development and as the resubmission is unchanged from the original, CCC has no further comment to make.

**Cameron District
Boundary:**

G Ball explained that following meetings with representatives of St Andrews Community Council it was agreed to leave the disputed boundary at the 'new' locations as the loss of one area was compensated for by the gain of another. Despite requests for a previously postponed meeting with Carnbee and Arncroach Community Council to take place, it appears that they are resolute in their view that the boundary should remain unchanged, but they have given assurances that there will be close liaison for planning issues that are on the cusp of both CC's boundaries.

Linda Purdie of Fife Council has been advised accordingly.

**Community Council
Forum:**

The East Neuk and Landward Community Council Forum met in Anstruther on 13th January and agreed the following:

To reapply for an increased Stage 2 Climate Challenge Fund Bid to extend ENLEN (East Neuk and Energy Network Project) beyond its current expiry date of March 2010 and to carry out a desk top exercise to review the setting up of an East Neuk and Landward wind turbine project, managed and owned by all participating community councils.

AOCB:

There being no other competent business, the meeting closed at 8:30pm.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th February 2011 at 6:30pm.

Proposed.....

Seconded.....

Signed.....

Dated.....