



Minute of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council  
Wednesday 21 November 2018 at 6.30 pm  
Cameron Parish Hall

**Community Councillors Present:** Gordon Ball, Ian Cameron, Katherine Christie, Stephen Lohoar, John Picken (Chair), Jay Spankie, Innes Wright

**Ex Officio members present:** Cllr John Docherty

**1 Apologies**

Bruce Thomson, Cllr Linda Holt, Community Police Team representative

**2 Community Police Team: Update**

The Secretary had received a written update and presented it on behalf of the Community Police Team: since the last CCC meeting on 10 October, none of the 458 police calls relating to the St Andrews area came from the Cameron area. Additionally, there was general advice to the public to use trusted websites and protected methods of payment when making online purchases.

**3 Approval of minutes of previous meetings**

The minutes of the final meeting of the previous CCC, on 19 September 2018, were approved as an accurate record.

The minutes of the inaugural meeting of the current CCC, on 10 October 2018, were approved as an accurate record.

**4 Matters arising from minutes of meeting on 10 Oct and not otherwise on the agenda**

- Item 3 (appointment of CCC office bearers): Actioned
- Item 4 (election of new members): Actioned
- Item 6 (AOCB/signatories to bank account): Actioned and still in progress
- Item 5 (Radernie/speeding): Cllr Docherty reported he had escalated this issue and Fife Council/roads had confirmed they would be undertaking manual speed checks in the area, and he would report a further update to the next CCC.

**Action: Cllr Docherty to provide update to next CCC**

**5 Planning Applications for CCC attention**

None

**6 Roads in CCC Area**

- A915: The Chair queried whether the traffic lights at Priorletham Smiddy could be removed and the road returned to a two-lane status. Cllr Docherty asked the Chair to send him further information to assist him to take issue forward.

**Action: Chair to send details of A915 traffic lights to Cllr Docherty**

- Snow ploughing coverage: the Chair queried the status of the ‘Tayforth’ arrangement, which relies on the support of local farmers to assist with snow clearing, and reported he was making enquiries and would provide an update to a future CCC.

**Action: Chair to provide update on Tayforth arrangement to future CCC**

- C4 road condition: the Secretary, on behalf of BT and supported by other CCC members, reported local concerns about the damage being done to the road surface and verges by the recent significant increase in construction traffic between the new Madras approach road and Belliston Quarry via Denhead and Peat Inn. Cllr Docherty agreed to raise this with Fife Council and request confirmation that contractors will be liable for repairing damage to road.

**Action: Cllr Docherty to raise C4 issues with Fife Council**

- Peat Inn: the Secretary, on behalf of BT, reported unresolved roads issues in Peat Inn – solar lights at traffic calming build-outs not working, and superfluous pole still in situ. Cllr Docherty agreed to raise these with Fife Council.

**Action: Cllr Docherty to raise Peat Inn roads issues with Fife Council**

- C41: GB reported that in the last three weeks patching work was being undertaken.

## 7. Out-of-Hours GP service: Update

- Matters arising from 10 October 2018: CC Chair to write to Fife Health and Social Care Partnership on CCC behalf: Actioned (*Attachments 1, 2*). The Chair reported he had also sent letters to several Fife councillors, the chair of the Partnership, the press and had submitted a formal online complaint to Fife Council. Following confirmation that the formal complaint was not upheld, the Chair reported he intended to take his complaint to the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman.

**Action: Chair to take formal complaint to Scottish Public Services Ombudsman**

- Further activity since last CCC meeting:
  - The chair reported joint meetings of local community council representatives where concerns about the loss of local service and inappropriate and unsafe alternative service were reiterated, and which had resulted in a decision to challenge the Health and Social Care Partnership’s policy-setting process via a formal ‘Participation Review’
  - Cllr Docherty reported that statistics (eg relating to population, travel times etc) offered by the Partnership at public consultation meetings were being challenged
  - Cllr Docherty reported he had raised the issue of insufficient equality impact assessments undertaken by the Partnership during the consultation period
  - The Chair encouraged CCC members to continue to contact local councillors and Partnership board members to express their concerns about out-of-hours provision.

## 8 CCC Website: Update

JP, GB and IW reported they had liaised with web developer and that the new website was now live.

- CCC homepage: The Chair agreed to provide text to the web developer outlining the purpose and activities of a community council.

**Action: Chair to send text on CCC for upload**

It was agreed that a group photograph of the CCC would be taken and IW to send it to web developer for upload to the website.

**Action: IW to send photograph of CCC for upload**

- CCC meetings and activity: Secretary to send CCC documents (agenda and approved minutes), dates of future CCC meetings, outline of issues typically considered by CCC to web developer for upload.

**Action: Secretary to send CCC documents and information for upload**

- Contacting CCC: CCC agreed the website should have an online form for community members to contact CCC. IW agreed to assist web developer to create this.

**Action: IW to assist web developer to create online contact form**

- CCC insurance: it was noted that, when due for renewal, the CCC insurance documents would need to be updated with new website details.

## **9 Community Broadband Project**

The Chair reported he had registered a community interest with BT Openreach 'Community Fibre Partnership' initiative, whereby BT will investigate broadband provision in areas currently receiving very poor speeds and report on possible solutions. The Chair invited CCC members to add their notes of interest to the community registration. The Chair agreed to report BT response to a future CCC.

**Action: Chair to update future CCC on BT Openreach response**

## **10 Community Council Resilience Plan**

The Secretary reported an update from BT, that progress on the CCC Resilience Plan was ongoing and he intended to use the standard Fife Council template.

## **11 Great War Commemoration**

The Secretary reported she had attended Fife's World War I Commemoration Service in Dunfermline Abbey on 9 November on behalf of CCC, and that it had been a moving and poignant service.

## **12 Scottish Government Consultation with Community Councils on Unconventional Oil and Gas (Attachment 3)**

After discussion CCC agreed it would not submit a joint response, and that a link to the consultation would be uploaded to the website for community information.

**Action: Secretary to provide consultation link to web developer for upload**

## **13 AOCB**

It was noted the contractor account for work on the new noticeboard was still to be settled. The Chair agreed to contact the contractor to discuss the matter.

**Action: Chair to contact contractor**

## **14 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on 16 January 2019, 6.30pm, Cameron Parish Hall.

## **End of meeting**

Proposer:

Seconder:

Date: