



Minute of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council
Wednesday 26 August 2020 at 6.30 pm
Online Meeting via Zoom (due to Covid-19 restrictions)

Note: As members of the public had been notified (in *The Citizen* and on the CCC website) that they could join this Zoom meeting, it was a formally constituted meeting of Cameron Community Council

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

Ex Officio members present: Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Linda Holt

1 Apologies

Bruce Thomson, Community Police Team representative

2 Community Police Team: Update

The Secretary reported on the written update from the Community Police Team (**Attachment 1**) for July 2020. One item related to the Cameron area (damage to property). The Police team also drew attention to recent bank scams in the area.

3 Approval of minutes of previous meetings

The minutes of the meeting of the previous formal CCC, on 17 June 2020, were approved as an accurate record.

4 Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting, not otherwise on this agenda

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5 CCC 2019/2020 Accounts

The Treasurer presented the audited accounts (**Attachments 2a and 2b**), and these were approved by CCC. The Chair thanked the Treasurer for this work. The Treasurer confirmed the application for the CCC grant for 2020/21 could now be submitted.

6 Planning Applications for CCC attention

a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*

- North Bank lodge development, update: Correspondence between CCC and Fife Council in August 2020 was tabled (**Attachments 3 and 4**). This related to concerns about occupation at the site before arrangements had been agreed for wastewater and sewage disposal. Planning officials confirmed that discussions with the developer/owner were ongoing but confirmed also that they had not visited the site. CCC placed on record their dissatisfaction with Fife Council's apparent reluctance to investigate complaints about planning breaches at this site.

The Chair confirmed there was no response yet to CCC's complaint to ASA about misleading advertising claims made by developer/owner of the site.

- b. Pending Applications:
 - 20/00523/FULL, Dwellinghouse etc at Kinaldy equestrian Centre. Considered at NE Planning Committee on 26 August and approved with conditions.
 - 20/01114/FULL, Erection of temporary site accommodation, Lathockar Farm, Lathockar. Considered at NE Planning Committee on 26 August and approved with conditions. CCC noted its view that its Consultee Comment had been misrepresented in the official paper presented to that committee, and Area Councillors suggested in future to circulate comments directly to committee members as well as to the online planning portal.
- c. New Applications: None
- d. Scottish Government Consultation: Proposed Changes to pre-Application Consultation Requirements in Planning (Attachment 5) were circulated, and CCC members asked to register to attend workshops, if interested, by 31 August.

Action: CCC members to register to attend Sco Govt workshops
- e. 'Place Plans': After discussion about additional housing in Cameron, it was reiterated that when Covid-19 restriction permitted, CCC should convene with Janice Laird and local communities to agree local 'Place Plans' for the settlements in Cameron, which Fife Council would have to consider when planning applications were submitted.

Action: Chair to contact Janice Laird

7 Roads in CCC Area

- a. Roads issues pending resumption of Fife Council services due to Covid-19: Denhead road safety, and Peat Inn traffic calming.
- b. Generally, there were many reports of very poor road conditions in the Cameron Area. Cllr Holt agreed to request details of the Roads Inspection Regime, and to forward it to CCC.

Action: Cllr Holt to request and forward FC Roads Inspection Regime

8 Finance and Accounts

- a. *Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:*
 - Higham Toll: Update: The Chair noted recent work at Higham Toll had been completed (gravel, new picnic table, refurbished tables and chairs etc), using funds from the Local Community Planning Budget (LCPB) and St Andrews Community Trust granted to CCC in 2019/20. As there would be surplus LCPB funds remaining, Chair to check that these could be used for further enhancements at Higham Toll.

Action: Chair to check use of surplus LCPB Funds

Chair also suggested an 'opening event' to mark upgrade at Higham toll, such as a picnic, to which CCC, Area Councillors, St Andrews Community Trust and St Andrews Menshed could be invited along with the press.

9 Peat Inn Phonebox

For the minute, it was confirmed that CCC has purchased the Peat Inn phonebox, and it would be used as a community swap hub.

10 Fife Councillors' Update

None

11 AOCB

- a. Friends Against Scams (Attachment 6) was circulated, and CCC members encouraged to register as members.

12 Dates of meetings in 2020/21

It was agreed to continue the meeting pattern of 3rd Wednesday in every month, except July and December. Secretary to circulate dates for 2020/21 to CCC, and for CCC website.

Action: Secretary to circulate 2020/21 CCC meeting dates

End of Meeting

Proposer:

Seconder:

Date: