



Minute of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council  
Wednesday 20 January 2021 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, Bruce Thomson

**Ex Officio members present:** Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Linda Holt, Cllr Bill Porteous

**1 Apologies**

Stephen Lohoar, Community Police Team representative

**2 Community Police Team: Update**

The written updates from the Community Police Team (**Attachments 1a, 1b**) for December 2020 were tabled and noted.

**3 Approval of minutes of previous meetings**

The minutes of the meeting of the previous formal CCC, on 18 November 2020, were approved as an accurate record.

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

None

**5 Planning Applications for CCC attention**

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

- North Bank lodge development, update: Correspondence between CCC and Fife Council, SEPA and Scottish Water was tabled (**Attachment 2**) relating to a request from CCC for a full Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed temporary and permanent sewage and drainage arrangements at this site. It was noted the responses were contradictory in relation to SEPA's role at this site. Cllr Holt agreed to follow up these contradictions with Fife Council planning officials.

**Action: Cllr Holt to query SEPA's role at Northbank with Fife planning officials**

A response to CCC from the Advertising Standards Agency relating to complaints about this development's advertising claims was tabled (**Attachment 3**).

- 'Place Plans': no further update

b. Pending Applications: None

- c. New Applications: 20/03092/FULL, single storey extension to house at Peat Inn. To avoid a conflict of interest, the property owner, also a member of CCC, left the meeting at this point. After discussion, CCC agreed it would confirm to Fife Council it had no comment to make.

**Action: Secretary to confirm to Fife Council no comment for this planning application**

The member of CCC returned to the meeting.

## 6 Roads in CCC Area

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

- Denhead/Road safety: Correspondence between CCC and Fife Traffic Management in Nov/Dec 2020 (**Attachment 4**) relating to agreement for improved signage at Denhead was tabled.

**Action: Secretary to request update on progress from Fife Council**

It was suggested the Sustrans programme might support the request for 20mph limit in Denhead. CCC agreed to contact its lead in Fife Council, Allan Maclean.

**Secretary to contact Allan Maclean, Sustrans, re Denhead request for 20mph**

- Peat Inn solar lights: BT reported these still had not been repaired after around 4 years of reporting them. CCC agreed to his proposal for a FoI request on fault reporting for these lights.

**Action: BT to issue FoI request re fault reporting for Peat Inn solar lights**

- ### b. Roads in Cameron, general: CCC members raised the very poor and often dangerous condition of a number of roads in Cameron. This included A915 (ditches and flooding), C41 (potholes), C4 (potholes), Peat Inn (flooding). In some cases, having reported these faults to Fife Council, the response was that these would be repaired within 3 months. Cllr Porteous suggested reporting these issues and responses to Fife Council's 'Escalation and Resolution' centre.

**Action: BT to report these road conditions to Fife Council's Escalation and Resolution**

- ### c. Radernie speed limit. It was reported that, via social media, residents of Radernie still sought a speed limit reduction. CCC agreed that BT could post a response from CCC.
- ### d. Peat Inn traffic calming: It was noted that no further update was sent by Fife Council to CCC after March 2020 as to whether Peat Inn traffic calming measures had been included in the 2020/21 Revenue Budget.

**Action: Secretary to request update on revenue budget from Fife Council**

**Action: Cllr Holt to contact C Stirling for information on available budget in 2020/21**

## 7 Finance and Accounts

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

- Higham Toll: Update on budget and publicity: The Chair reported photographs etc were nearly ready to be circulated to funders.

- ### b. Purchase of planters: Chair agreed to check prices of planters, then advise CCC members with a view to a decision on purchasing these for Cameron communities.

**Action: Chair to check planter prices and advise CCC**

## 8 Fife Community Councils, Boundary Changes

The Secretary reported a request from Fife Council was received shortly after the last CCC meeting, to confirm CCC's position on an apparent desire by St Andrews CC to take Craigtoun Park from Cameron and into the St Andrews CC area. CCC had responded that it had received no such request or contact from St Andrews CC since the consultation period on community council boundaries opened in January 2020 (**Attachment 5**), and that accordingly there was no such request, and this item should be removed from the list of boundary changes to be resolved. Fife Council had agreed to withdraw the item.

The Chair then tabled an email sent to him on 19 January 2021 from the Chair of St Andrews CC noting the St A CC Chair's desire to take Craigtoun Park, and also the communities at Balone and Mount Melville, and the Dukes course and related lands,

away from the Cameron area and into the St A CC area. It was noted that the deadline for consultations for boundary changes between community councils is 25 January 2021, leaving only 6 days for CCC to respond.

After much discussion, CCC agreed that its original position, as reported to Fife Council in February 2020, was unchanged: that it did not wish any alteration to its current boundaries. It reiterated its strong commitment to continuing to represent the communities at Mount Melville and Balone, and the interests of Craigtoun Park. It recorded its disagreement with the assertions relating to these areas in the email from the St A CC Chair. It noted the strong support for CCC's position from its three Area Councillors who were present. CCC agreed to send a formal outline of its position both to Fife Council and to St A CC by 25 January 2021.

**Action: Chair and Secretary to liaise on a formal response to Fife Council and St A CC regarding boundaries**

#### **9. Fife Community Councils, Review of Scheme of Establishment**

The draft Scheme of Establishment out for consultation was tabled (**Attachment 6**).

#### **10 Fife Councillors' Update**

- Cllr Porteous reported he had asked the East Neuk Forum to consider having the East Neuk and Landward area designated as a National Park. He reported Wendy Chamberlain MP's appreciation of support from within Peat Inn to concerns raised about the UK hospitality industry following Covid disruption.

#### **9 AOCB**

- a. Broadband/Connectivity: The Chair raised the issue of poor/inconsistent broadband provision across Cameron. Cllr Holt reported she had already had contact with Janice Laird on this subject and it was agreed CCC Chair should follow up to see what support/funding might be available to individuals and communities in Cameron with poor connectivity, and especially those where there are no plans for service improvement. And what further measures (eg, online survey) might be undertaken by CCC to support improvement of provision.

**Action: Chair to contact Janice Laird re broadband provision/improvement in Cameron**

**10 Date of next meeting: 17 February 2021**

#### **End of Meeting**

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