

# Minutes of Cameron Community Council Meeting held in Cameron Hall on 15<sup>th</sup>. <u>September 2010 at 6:30pm</u>

**Chairman:** Gordon Ball

**Apologies:** Jennifer Wylie, Peter Jerome, David Brown, Cllr. Elizabeth

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**Present:** Gordon Ball, Rob Steven, David Scott, Ralph

Sprot, Cllr. Donald Macgregor, Cllr. Mike Scott-Hayward

**In attendance:** John Paul, Bruce Thomson

**Minutes:** Acceptance of the minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> August 2010 meeting was

proposed by Ralph Sprot, seconded by Rob Steven, approved

and signed by the chairman.

Matters Arising: Rob Steven advised that there had been no response to the

written requests made to the SGRPID asking that they take urgent action with the appropriate landowners to secure the removal of the ragwort from Feddinch. Direct contact with the receiver (the owner) for the Feddinch site or perhaps Fife

Council might also be a route to consider.

The other matters arising were included later in the agenda.

Correspondence: An e-mail received and circulated on 15<sup>th</sup> September

concerning the conclusions of the Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Fife was discussed. The changes proposed for the 20% surplus and the formula for

calculating grants was reviewed in particular.

A letter dated 1st September from SNH was circulated by e-mail and contained

a review and citation for Cameron Reservoir Site of special

Scientific Interest (SSSI).

A letter from Sea Energy Renewables dated 27th August regarding an offshore

wind turbine project (180 turbines with an installed capacity of

1000MW) to be copied and e-mailed to members.

An objection to planning application No 10/01540/FULL for the erection of a

grain store at Langraw farm off the A915 had been submitted.

A letter dated 9th September from Fife Council, Housing and Communities,

setting out changes in delivery of service was reviewed.

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#### **CCC Elections:**

The chairman and Cllr. Macgregor explained the details of the election procedure with the key dates as follows:

- Date of Election 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010
- Inaugural Meeting Date 20th October 2010

Cllr. Macgregor has agreed to chair the inaugural meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> October, with the expectation that the details of those nominated for election as Community Councillors will be passed to him by the Democratic Services department of Fife Council before the meeting.

The appropriate form showing the Inaugural Meeting date to be forwarded to Linda Purdie by the Secretary.

The role of Community Councillor is open to all, provided they are on the electoral role and have been a resident in the area of the CC for 12 months preceding the date of nomination.

**ENLEN:** 

ENLEN's (East Neuk and Landward Energy Network) request to have a web link to their web site from the Cameron site was agreed and ENLEN have been advised accordingly.

### Wind Turbines:

The chairman outlined the current position with the Pittarthie wind turbine project - little change from the last meeting.

The wind turbine project at Largoward (2 No 100m turbines) was discussed and it was agreed that an objection should be submitted from CCC as the project would be visually intrusive from Cameron and would not be in keeping with the rural and pastoral landscape setting of that part of North East Fife.

Cllr. Macgregor, Cllr. Scott-Hayward and Ralph Sprot left the meeting at this juncture.

### **Grit Bins at Mount Melville:**

The grit bins at Mount Melville are empty of grit and despite sending two e-mails (the 2<sup>nd</sup> being a reminder after a month had elapsed) asking for them to be filled, no response has been received from Mr Arthur Hadley of Fife Council. It would appear that the Fife Council standing order requirement to respond within 10 days does not apply to Mr Hadley's department! There has been recent evidence of delays on the part of other officials to respond on issues raised by the CCC and a casual observer might conclude that the problem is systemic and that some officials regard Community Council requests as a nuisance and intrusive, to be treated with a benign contempt at best or ignored at worst.

## Cameron District Boundary:

G Ball explained the confusion that exists over the historic CCC Boundary and will attend a meeting with Linda Purdie of Fife Council on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> September in an attempt to resolve

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the matter.

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Website:

Following enquiries from various local businesses it is planned to review the potential list with our webmaster before the next meeting.

**AOCB:** 

Bruce Thomson will arrange for some photographs of Bankhead Moss for the website.

John Paul advised the meeting of a Sculptor from Arran, currently working at W L Watson's on a marble sculpture commission for Glasgow Cathedral that may be also be of interest for the website. Rob Steven advised the meeting that he intended to stand down at the forthcoming election and the Chairman thanked him for

his contribution to the Community Council and hoped that he

would still attend some meetings in the future.

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

The next meeting will be the Inaugural Meeting following the CCC elections and will be held on Wednesday 20th October 2010 at 6:30pm.

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Seconded	
Signed	
Dated	