

# Minutes of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2025 Cameron Parish Hall

Community Councillors Present: Ralph Sprot (Chair) Audrey Harte, Martin Baird, Carole Stewart,

Kimberley Bennett, Hugh Gillan

Ex Officio members present: Cllr Alycia Hayes

# 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Christine Clark, Innes Wright, Cllr Fiona Corps, Cllr Sean Dillon.

# 2. Matters Outstanding from Previous Meeting

With Hugh Gillan now fully in place, all eight places for voting members have been filled. It was however agreed that Filling of Casual Vacancies would remain a standard Agenda item, since additional non-voting members can be co-opted, particularly for their expertise on specific matters, and might be helpful to aid succession planning.

# 3. Community Police Team: Update

The February CPT report, now specifically St Andrews, Strathkinness and Cameron, was received and noted. The Secretary confirmed key Police contact PC Dawn Doherty was now on annual leave until 5<sup>th</sup> April. It had been agreed to schedule in a meeting in St Andrews after that date (shift patterns make the PC's attendance at a CCC meeting more challenging) to resolve any differences in understanding of the geographic area that is Cameron Parish.

**Action: Secretary** 

### 4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes were approved and signed off by the Vice Chair, as February meeting Chair.

### 5. Matters Outstanding from Previous Meeting, Not Otherwise on This Agenda

The discussion as to continuing concerns about the performance of the app-based booking system for Go-Flexi was deferred to the April meeting, to allow for Christine Clark's contribution. Cllr Hayes confirmed there appeared to be insufficient time built in the app calculations to allow for the drivers' time in appropriately assisting those non-disabled but less mobile, in-need-of-assistance passengers.

Members were asked to bring actual examples of service issues to the next meeting.

**Action: All** 

# 6. Planning Applications for CCC attention

For the record, it is noted that while Area Councillors can advise on administrative processes, they make no comment on any planning application being considered by CCC.

- a. Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting:
  - <u>Development of Local Place Plans (LPP):</u> The outcome of the next meeting (21<sup>st</sup> March) at Fife House will be discussed at the April meeting.

**Action: Secretary** 

Feddinch Mains: A date for A&M Golf to attend CCC was awaited.

**Action: Secretary** 

#### b. New matters

- West Coast Estates' £16 million mixed-use (commercial) development north of Craigtoun, St Andrews (KY16 8PQ), which has planning permission in principle, was noted. The proposed development is outwith the CCC boundary but may impact on Cameron residents, so a watching brief will be maintained through likely future consultation processes.
- (Added after Agenda publication) 25/00649/ARC and 25/00650/FULL: Land at Waterless Farm
  The applications concerning matters pertaining to Planning Permission in Principle 23/02657/
  PPP were noted.

#### 7. Roads in CCC Area

It was noted that the poor maintenance of "The Depot" A915 lay-by had been reported twice at <a href="https://www.fife.gov.uk/services/form-pages/report-a-road-or-pavement-fault-map-page">https://www.fife.gov.uk/services/form-pages/report-a-road-or-pavement-fault-map-page</a> but remained seemingly yet to be published on the interactive map. A third attempt will be made.

**Action: Secretary** 

### 8. Finance and Accounts

The Treasurer confirmed the accounts remained in order and the AGM would be scheduled in due course.

# 9. Craigtoun Park Update

Next report due May meeting 2025.

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

Cllr Alycia Hayes confirmed a Scottish "parking on pavements" ban is planned to go live in September. Councils can exempt narrow streets and roads where vehicle passage relies on parking on pavements. To date, only 40 roads in Fife have been exempted. Please feedback to Alycia any roads in Cameron requiring exemption.

Action: Al

A roll-out of 36,000 i-pads to Fife schools, at a cost of £34.5m, is planned by the end of 2025/26. Finance has now been released for an Anstruther Care Home. Construction should soon begin on a new RNLI Lifeboat House in Anstruther but there are concerns about the economic impact of the closure of Shore car parking places over 2 summers and 1 winter. A shuttle bus service between the Co-Op car park and the Shore is planned but there are doubts about the adequacy of the plan because of the discrepancy between the passenger carrying capacities of a typical tour bus (normally up to 57) and shuttle bus (c. 10).

## **11. AOCB**

- Community Ownership Roadshow Community Land Scotland: Kimberley Bennett
  confirmed the roadshow was pitched more at Community Groups seeking permanent land or
  buildings for their activities. It was believed that the role of CCC would likely be limited to
  signposting the possibility of Community Ownership to groups such as Friends of Craigtoun.
- Meeting of Fife Community Councils Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November: The minutes were noted.

- SEPA Proposed Changes to the Environmental Regulations (Scotland) Guidance on Public Participation and Fit and Proper Person Test: It was agreed that CCC could add no particular value to the current consultation process.
- Fife Healthcare and Social Care Partnership Respite Care: The Vice Chair reported there has been no change in the rules pertaining to the maximum length of time available, without loss of existing care package benefit arrangements, for respite care. There may be a more rigorous application of existing rules: investigation continues.

Meeting closed 8.31pm