



Minutes of the Meeting of Cameron Community Council  
Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
Cameron Parish Hall

**Community Councillors Present:** Ralph Sprot (Chair), Audrey Harte, Martin Baird, Carole Stewart, Kimberley Bennett, Christine Clark, Hugh Gillan

**Ex Officio members present:** None

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Innes Wright, Cllr Alycia Hayes, Cllr Fiona Corps, Cllr Sean Dillon.

**2. Matters Outstanding from Previous Meeting**

Filling of Casual Vacancies remains 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. No new interest had been expressed.

**3. Community Police Team: Update**

The February CPT report, now specifically St Andrews and Strathkinness (plus Cameron), was received and noted. The Secretary confirmed her useful meeting with key Police contact PC Dawn Doherty on 14<sup>th</sup> April. The reason for the occasional seeming discrepancies in the (nonetheless very good, low crime) statistics was because all calls, whether to 101 or 999, are handled centrally in Bilston Glen Police Scotland call centre. All calls are allocated a reference number for traceability purposes and THRIVE assessed (Threat, Harm, Risk, Investigative Potential, Vulnerabilities, Engagement opportunities) via 3 Area Control Rooms (North, East, West Scotland) for prioritisation (Immediate, Prompt, Diary Appointment) and the details passed back, allocated on the basis of post codes, to local police units for action. Most Cameron postcodes are KY16 St Andrews, some KY15 Cupar and a few KY9, so different local forces can be involved in actions, later reported in different CPT reports, generally arranged by Political Boundaries. Cameron lies part in Ward 18 St Andrews, part in Ward 19 East Neuk & Landward and part in Ward 20 Cupar.

Rather than the Police wasting time trying to wrestle with trivial statistics, it was agreed that the current St Andrews and Strathkinness (plus, where known to St Andrews Police, Cameron) CPT report would continue as the core report for Cameron Community Council, stored with other CCC papers. The Police would also supply the other two reports so that any occasional seeming anomalies of apparently unrecorded, yet known reported incidents, could be easily reconciled.

On the matter of the A915 summer 2024 camper van incident, it was agreed that the matter could be pursued directly by Kimberly Bennett with the Police, were further investigation warranted. A reference number for the incident should exist. It was noted that there can be long waits for calls to be answered at busy times: there are c. 4,000 to 101 and 2,000 to 999 daily.

A flow diagram/ decision tree to aid residents in determining which number (101, 999) to call had been supplied for website/ social media publication. **Action: Vice Chair & Secretary**

#### 4. Approval of minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes were approved and signed off by the Chair.

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

None.

#### 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:

- Development of Local Place Plans (LPP): Subject to the substitution of a better site plan for the Proposed Amendment to Adopted FIFEplan LWD 006 Housing Opportunity Site (Niven Homes), it was agreed that the LPP is now ready for final registration by Fife Council. The Secretary was thanked by the Chair for her tenacity in delivering the document. **Action: Secretary**
- Feddinch Mains: It was confirmed that the Treasurer and Secretary had a good meeting with David Morgan, the appointed A&M Golf Fife Site Manager, to discuss infrastructure. David has a golf background and will be in place throughout the construction phase and on to the eventual operational phase. He was unaware of any plans or conditions from Fife for A915 culvert repairs or Priorletham (temporary) lights: the intention is that the A&M site should be self-contained for (borehole) water, thus have no bearing on the long-awaited B940 repairs (which Fife intend to complete only after replacement by Scottish Water of the mains pipe). He did however believe there may be a Scottish Water proposal to lay a new water supply up the A915 at some future point.

It does appear as if there will be an A&M plan to strengthen the active travel (footpath) network around the site periphery. At present there is no definitive final plan drawing, but this will be available for presentation to CCC in due course. David was keen to emphasise A&M Golf's drive to maintain good community relations and minimise what he believes will be a small impact on Cameron as a whole. The resort will have just 84 members' bedrooms and capacity for perhaps 50 or 60 more of their guests: it will be open only on a seasonal basis and will have 3 months of absolute closure every year.

##### b. New matters

- Feddinch Mains: The 24 new publications detailing the technical Compliance requirements with various Conditions of the Planning and Listed Building Permissions for the golf resort development were noted. David Morgan of A&M Golf will be invited to attend a CCC meeting at an appropriate moment. **Action: Secretary**
- 25/00243 The Swilken Village: The retrospective application for the erection of a boundary wall (at Stewart's Resort) was noted.

#### 7. Roads in CCC Area

A third attempt to report the maintenance faults at "The Depot" on the A915, this time by telephone, had resulted in a confirmation from Fife that "Your reported fault is located on a road not maintained by Roads and Transportation. We have passed these details on to the correct team for investigation": the identity of the correct team had not been shared. It was agreed to

leave the matter (Ref 2104EHA8-101010957626) for a short time in the hope that some more useful information might be forthcoming without further prompt. **Action: Secretary**

A resident's complaint of incorrect road speed signs at the C65/U056 (Balone) junction had also been reported to Fife (Ref 101010957671) and the resident advised of the telephone contact centre details.

## **8. Finance and Accounts**

The Treasurer confirmed the accounts remained in order and the AGM would be scheduled, most likely in June.

## **9. Craigtoun Park Update**

Next report due May meeting 2025.

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

None.

## **11. AOCB**

- **Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 – Proposed Amendments to the Council's Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils:** It was agreed that, with no particular expertise in the originating 1973 Act, it was unlikely that CCC could add particular value to the Fife review processes, but that the opportunity for residents' inputs would be advertised on the CCC website. **Action: Vice Chair & Secretary**
- **(Scottish) National My Place Awards:** No obvious nominee was identified but details would be passed to Craigtoun, where there may be one or more outstanding community volunteers. **Action: Secretary**
- **Go-Flexi Service Issues:** The discussion as to continuing concerns about the performance of the app-based booking system for Go-Flexi was deferred again, this time to the May meeting, to allow for Cllr. Alycia Hayes' involvement. Cllr Hayes previously 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 again asked to bring actual examples of service issues to the next meeting. **Action: All**
- There was a discussion about the believed sale of 4 of the 5 North-side plots offered at Cameron Reservoir and the question of dog walking off-leads in the closed bird breeding season arose. The Secretary confirmed that the Police had been made aware of potential problems of this nature at the site: any observers/ witnesses should keep their distance and need not approach potential miscreants. Any photographs, for example showing the van licence plates, should be passed to the Police.

Meeting closed 8.06pm

**Date of next meeting: 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2025**