

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars

5 July 2016

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Trish Graham (Secretary), Joyce Edmonston, Jillian Russell, Alisdair Gilbert, Samantha Cullen, Trish Downie, Veronica Taylor, Cllr Bill Connor, Cllr Maggie Taylor, Marianne Donaldson (Deputy Station Staff Officer), Ryan Donnelly (Military Police Community Engagement Liaison Officer), Sarah-Jane Christie (Military Police), Members of the Public: Jean Nicoll, Wilma Henderson, Athole Stewart.

1. Chairs opening remarks:

CF welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Action
Points**

2. Apologies:

Jim Finnie, Mark Sharp (Treasurer), Dave Baxter, Cllr Tim Brett, S

3. Approval of minutes of 7 June 2016:

AOCB d) Spelling – Moyer, should be Moir, otherwise the minutes were proposed as accurate by JR and seconded by TD.

4. Army Issues:

- a. There will be increased noise from night time flying as part of a military exercise between 28.8.16-16.9.16.
- b. The planned Army Open Day is scheduled for 3 June 2017.
- c. Empty married quarters: no update on this yet.

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- d. Raised crossing and speed bumps have been installed between the Main Gate and Meteor Way.
- e. Speeding through the village: the Military Police continue to target areas both on and off camp. Warnings have been issued and an educational approach is being taken. This appears to be working as there are fewer reports of speeding.
- f. Strangers have been seen hanging around married quarters. Awareness of this is being raised, e.g. at the school and patrols around married quarters have been increased. Injudicious comments on the Army Families page about this matter are causing problems and some posts have already been taken down. S-J Christie may get in contact with the families office to see if a meeting can be arranged to explain about the inappropriateness of some comments.
- g. Fiji Day has been scheduled for 1 October 2016. Army personnel encouraged everyone to attend this event as it is popular and very worthwhile.
- h. Living memory project: this is a project associated with the Battle of the Somme. Taking part involves researching the history/life of someone who died at the Somme. £200 funding is available to take part. Cllr Connor suggested the school could be involved.

5. Police issues:

- a. 'Bob' (cardboard policeman) has been out in Guardbridge and the railway station.

6. Matters Arising:

- a. Junction Garden: It is looking less likely that Air Officer Scotland is able to visit. AG will polish the stone. CF arranged to have the grass cut at Junction Gardens by the Payback team. This has been done. AG
- b. CF has been in contact with Geoffrey Morris at the university about the university's donation to the village. She has asked for 2 large planters and 1 picnic table.
- c. Parish Trust Fund application: MS has applied for £450 to buy two picnic tables for Junction Gardens.
- d. Balmullo Pharmacy application: Ray Kelly's appeal for a pharmacy in Balmullo was unsuccessful.

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- e. JR will meet the Beautiful Fife judges outside 17 St Bunyans Place on Thursday, 21 July 2016 at 2.15pm.

7. Fife Council issues:

Cllr Taylor

- a. The Tay Road Bridge 50th Anniversary celebrations of the building of the bridge are to be held in Dundee on Sunday, 21.8.16. Boats from all the sailing clubs roundabout will be on the Tay. Celebrations will also be held in Newport and Tayport. Vehicles from the 1960s will be driving across the bridge and the Fifies will be in operation (advance booking required as places are limited. See the website for more details:www.tayroadbridge.co.uk/news
- b. Waterston Crook has a programme of events over the summer when the schools are closed. Cllr Connor will e-mail Wilma Henderson with details so she can put them on Facebook.

Cllr Connor:

- c. Galas: St Andrews Harbour Gala 11.00 23.07.16. Ferryport Gala (Tayport) – parade from harbour 11.30, gala 12.00.
- d. Newport Heritage and History event 27-28.08.16
- e. Police Scotland is to increase the number of officers within armed policing to help maintain the safety and security of our communities.
- f. Lipreading for beginners and improvers: St Bryce Kirk Centre, Kirkcaldy 17.6.16-03.03.17, 10.00-noon. Contact Susan Gibson sglipreading@gmail.com
- g. Stagecoach bus service changes: effective from August. Please go to <https://www.stagecoachbus.com/promos-and-offers/east-scotland/consultation-events/consultation-events-fife>

8. Correspondence:

- 1. Temporary road closure 27.06.16-01.07.16 Main Street, Leuchars. Email from Cllr Brett 7.6.16
- 2. Fife Cultural Consortium June newsletter.
- 3. Road report. A919 from Leuchars Castle access road to Main Street 13.6.16-20.6.16. Portable traffic lights. Repair of burst water main. Email from Cllr Connor 16.6.16
- 4. Vandalism reported at St Athernase and at the school. Email

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from C Finnie 19.6.16 and Lucy Jess 22.06.16.

5. June Beautiful Scotland and It's Your Neighbourhood newsletter.
Email K Jackson 24.06.16
6. PPC rejection of Ray Kelly's pharmacy application. Email from C
Finnie 1.7.16
7. Edinburgh Airport Airspace Change Programme: consultation
6.6.16-12.09.16.

Agenda and papers for NE Fife Area Committee 20.06.16

Agenda and papers for special meeting of NE Fife Area Committee
6.7.16

Weekly planning lists

A.O.C.B

- a. CF expressed her disappointment that the tubs along Station Road had been moved without a formal vote on doing this at the last meeting, especially as several CC members had e-mailed their objections to moving the tubs before the meeting. CF reminded everyone that there needs to be a formal vote where CC members disagree on matters. The tub relocated at the bottom of School Hill is causing problems when people park next to it and cannot open their car door. CF asked for the tub to be moved further up School Hill to avoid this happening.
- b. TG: had an update from MS (Treasurer): The CC accounts have been studied and sent to Fife Council. The current balance is £867.76 after passing Falkland in Bloom. TG also reminded everyone that the Chair and Treasurer offices will become vacant in November. As there is no meeting in September, this means there are only two more meetings before the AGM in November. CF asked CC members to consider putting themselves forward.
- c. Wilma Henderson offered to set up a Facebook page for the CC as it is likely to appeal to younger village residents.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 2 August at 7.15 pm in the Community Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend

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