

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held 7.00pm, 7 July 2009 The Hive, Leuchars

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Trish Graham (Secretary), Joyce Edmonston, Jim Finnie, Sqd Ldr Keith Wardlaw, FS Simon Mitchell (Community Development), three members of the public

Item	Action point
<p>1. Chair's opening remarks: CF welcomed everyone including the three members of the public Condolences on the loss of the two RAF officers in the recent air crash were offered to KW on behalf of all members of the Community Council. Philip Suttie (Fife Council) was due to give a presentation on the new road humps but did not attend - CF to inform Cllr Brett.</p>	CF
<p>2. Apologies: Cllrs T Brett, R Caird & M Taylor, Kate Hughes (Locality Manager), Mark Sharp (Treasurer), Susan Budd (Community Development Worker)</p>	
<p>3. Approval of Minutes of 02.06.09 Replace mention of 'vicar' with 'minister'. Replace mention of 'Tayport Community Council' with 'Newport Community Council, otherwise proposed as accurate by JE, seconded by JF</p>	
<p>4. RAF issues: <u>a) MUGA:</u> There have been no incidences reported since the last meeting. SM reported that the RAF has been working with local youths to address any problems. Fife Council has been cleaning the area on a regular basis. Plans for extending the MUGA are being submitted next week. <u>b) Integrated Welfare Facility:</u> Start on this has been delayed. Airshow in Sep may further impact timelines. <u>c) Funerals:</u> Flt Lt Morton's funeral to be held 10.07.09, Flt Lt Thompson's funeral will be next week. <u>d) 43 Squadron:</u> Will be disbanded on 13.07.09. There will be a parade and flypast in 'missing man' formation in honour of Flt Lts Morton & Thompson. <u>e) Summer balls:</u> Officers on ?, WO & Sgts' Mess 24.07.09. <u>f) Flying:</u> Six Tucanos on detachment. <u>g) Edinburgh Tattoo 7-29.08.09:</u> RAF leading this year. <u>h) Rugby club:</u> There have been complaints of knocking on villagers' windows and doorbells being rung after rugby club closing time on Thursdays. It is believed people are moving from the club when it closes to the pubs. KW will take this forward with the appropriate authorities. JF suggested the rugby club is given a late licence so personnel will not bother going to the pubs.</p>	KW
<p>5. Police issues: Nothing to report. Sgt J Michie has been moved and is no longer community police representative. CF to e-mail Bruce Thompson to find out who will replace Sgt Michie.</p>	CF
<p>6. Matters arising from previous minutes: <u>a) Doocot field development:</u> JF & CF had attended one of the recent Transport Consultation meetings. This was mostly about bus routes but they did get the name of someone who might be able to attend a CC meeting to discuss possible re-direction of the main road. <u>b) Gypsy/traveller site:</u> Soil testing is still an issue. John Watson needs to speak to Chris Smith (on holiday) before any update. CF to contact again to find out progress. Pitch 1 has</p>	CF

<p>now been split into two pitches.</p> <p>c) <u>Floral displays</u>: Beautiful Fife – judging taking place 21.7.09. JE’s husband will trim land next to Commercial Arms. Members of the CC to tidy and plant area. Quotation for wall to be obtained from Alyth in order for treasurer to get funding.</p> <p>d) <u>Gala subcommittee</u>: CF & JE sold plants at the recent school fete raising £55.</p> <p>e) <u>Public toilets</u>: Necessary paperwork has been passed to W Coyne to help with completion, no further update. Council likely to stipulate other teams should have the use of this facility. Water from overflow pipe still continues to stain one of the walls which is unsightly</p> <p>f) <u>General improvements</u>: (i) Welcome to Leuchars sign: The CC need to discuss this further with Gordon Hughes directly. (ii) Land on Station Road: Ideally needs to be tidied up before judging on 21.7.09. CF to e-mail I Barbour</p> <p>g) <u>Local and Structure Plans</u>: Structure Plan has been accepted by Scottish Government. Public consultation to follow.</p> <p>h) <u>Dog fouling</u>: bin in Meadow Road now sorted.</p> <p>i) <u>Dirty road signs</u>: No progress with this. One of the members of public in attendance had reported this to the Council – she may take a photograph to support complaint.</p> <p>j) <u>Community payback service</u>: CF was unable to get in touch with Archie Melville. All phone numbers she had been given are not correct. Because of Beautiful Fife deadline, all areas to be tidied will now be done by CC members.</p> <p>k) <u>Lock up storage for CC</u>: KH pursuing whether this is available free of charge. Ongoing</p> <p>l) <u>Exit from Meadow Road</u>: CF to ask Cllr Brett if there is any progress on moving junction line forward.</p> <p>m) <u>Pharmacy application</u>: date the Fraser McPherson application will be heard not yet known.</p> <p>n) <u>Expansion of station car park</u>. Cllr Brett has confirmed that neither SEStran nor Fife Council have funds available at this time. He has asked if there is any possibility of other funds being used for this purpose, eg Climate Change Fund.</p>	<p>CF</p> <p>CF</p>
<p>7. Fife Council issues and action points</p> <p>1. Cllr Brett has requested the CC let him know if there are any suggestions for larger projects (over £5000 from the locality budget) that need to be considered by NE Fife area committee. It was suggested the feature wall might come under this.</p> <p><u>Action pt 55</u>: Awaiting Newport CC’s action plan template from KH.</p> <p><u>Action pt 53</u>: Vacant/unsightly areas: KH has written again to the owner of the unfinished site at the entrance to Meadow Road.</p> <p><u>Action pt 48</u>: KH is investigating costs for patching of the road approaching the Club. The expectation is the Golf Club will make a proportional payment.</p> <p><u>Action pts 43</u>: School Hill bench: because of issue surrounding use of land where bench is to be sited, it was agreed the bench should now be sited in square in front of the house. KH to be informed.</p> <p><u>Action pt 44</u>: Additional lamp standard: It is not known whether planning permission was granted.</p>	<p>KH</p> <p>KH</p> <p>KH</p>
<p>8. Correspondence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Queen Margaret & Victoria Hospital development. Newsletter issue 1 Summer 2009. 2. Approval of Fife Structure Plan 2006-2026. Fife Development Services 28.05.09 3. ‘Connect’ Issue 4 Spring 2009. Newsletter of the Scottish Health Council. 4. Street Cleaning – new local service team to be established 27.07.09. Environmental Services 26.06.09. 5. Pharmacy application: letters from Iain Smith – his letter to Minister for Public Health & Sport and the Chair of the PPC and their respective replies. 6. Pharmacy application: letter from Sir Ming Campbell with copy of his letter to N Sturgeon. 7. Tentsmuir National Nature Reserve. Newsletter 21. Scottish Natural Heritage 	

<p>8. 'The Nature of Scotland' Summer 2009. Scottish Natural Heritage. 9. Pharmacy application: NHS media response. NHS Fife 5.6.09. 10. Pharmacy application: CF e-mail to Practice Manager and her response. 11 Police Newsletter May 09. E-mail from Tim Brett 4.6.09 12. National Planning Framework 2. Linda Purdie e-mail 25.06.09. 13. Transportation contact list June 09. 14. Madras school – minutes of 28.05.09. Kay Skinner e-mail 30.06.09. Emailed to all 5.7.09. 15. 'The Community Councillor' e-mail 13.06.09. Emailed to all 5.7.09. 16. Confirmation of agreement on Fife local holidays. Beth Flynn e-mail 23.06.09 17. Gypsy/traveller soil issue CF e-mail to John Watson regarding outcome of this. 18. Bus service changes NE Fife. Transportation Gillian Hill e-mail 24.06.09 19. Beautiful Fife: judging 21.07.09 at 10.00 – anyone available to help. CF e-mail. 20. Motocross complaint – query on update. TB e-mail 22.06.09.</p>	
<p>AOB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fife residents over 60 are entitled to free train travel to Edinburgh. A member of the public reported that Dundee residents over 60 are driving to Leuchars station and taking advantage of this benefit by obscuring certain information on their card when presenting it. TG to write to Network Rail and copy in Leuchars stationmaster. 2. CF reported that the Treasurer has not yet received the £1500 expected from Fife Council for purchase of floral display items. 3. Drains outside the Spar are blocked, but as cars are constantly parked over them it is impossible to clean them. TG to write to Fife Council suggesting the area be blocked off at a predetermined time in order for cleaning to be carried out. 4. Another member of the public reported that the slide at the RAF child care centre appears not to be in good order for the children to use. KW to be informed of this. 	<p>TG</p> <p>TG</p>

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 4 August at 7.00pm in The Hive
Members of the public are welcome to attend**

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