

# Saline and Steelend Community Council

## Minute of Meeting of 27.03.12 in Saline Community Centre

### 1. Present

Jim Hensman (chair) John Crane (vice chair), Marie Crane (treasurer), Dave Quinney, Irene Wardell, Donald Murdoch, Muriel Philips, Mary Mitchell, John Lyon, Helga Corp, Isobel Menzies, Joan Featherstone, Jean Alexander, Gareth Turner, John Crabbie, Len Woods, Bruce Holborn, Mark Baugh, Sheila Travers

### 2. Chair's Opening

The chair welcomed all to the meeting and introduced Len Woods and Bruce Holborn as candidates in May's election

### 3. Apologies

Cllr W Walker MSP, Cllr Bobby Clelland, Liz Crabbie

### 4. Minute of 28.02.12

Proposed by Dave Quinney, seconded by Muriel Phillips

### 5. Matters arising

- Dave Quinney has contacted Dollar and Fossoway Community Council about proposed wind turbines but has received no reply. Sheila Travers suggested that the whole community needs to get together to discuss pros and cons to agree an approach that best meets the community's interests. Hopefully, this could be carried out in a civilised manner. This proposal received widespread support and it was agreed that Dave Quinney should write to Fife Council to confirm the community council's position

### 6. Treasurer's Report

Marie Crane advised on the current financial situation. The bonfire insurance has now been paid, donations have been paid to Saline First Responders and Saline Heritage Society in line with previous agreements, the £1500 grant for the Housing Study has been paid and a domain name for the community web site has been obtained. Both have sent letters of thanks. Taking account of other commitments, the balance available to the community council is £432.18.

The accounts are due to be audited and are being passed to Stewart Miller

### 7. Planning

Joan Featherstone advised that there had been a number of applications for minor works such as porches. An application has been submitted for demolition of the Saline Hotel and erection of 3 houses. There were some concerns about accesses onto West Road, the lack of a pedestrian link to Argyll Place and the design of the houses. David Chisholm would be asked to comment on the design aspects.

Donald Murdoch advised that there was a proposal for turbines at Steelend Farm. This was a resubmission of the previous application that the community council had not opposed. Accordingly, this was noted

### 8. Secretary's Report

- Information received from the Dunfermline and West Fife Community Health Partnership about the minor injuries service at Queen Margaret Hospital, health

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and social care for old people, continuing care wards transferred to Lynebank Hospital and the designation of "Dufermline Heart Town" to raise awareness of heart disease.

- There has been no response from the Broomhall Estate about the condition of Loch Road
- Response from Transportation re speeding traffic through Kinneddar Park is that the road does not meet the criteria for either a 30 or 50mph speed limit. Members found this an odd response given the limits imposed on less dangerous roads
- Transportation has indicated that checks have been carried out on West Road and that the chicanes appear effective. Countdown signs may be illegal and will not be provided
- Invitation to "Reshaping Older Peoples Care" in Victoria Hospital on 16<sup>th</sup> April
- A letter was written to Fife Council Bereavement Services about the condition of the cemetery and its environs. The response was that arrangements have been made to inspect the area and any necessary action taken. The road to the cemetery is unadopted but attempts will be made to fill in potholes
- Anyone interested in a copy of SPOT minutes should contact Dave
- Membership forms are available for Steelend Club and Saline Golf Club. Anyone interested should contact Dave

#### **9. AOCB**

- It was noted that a community calendar was being set up by the Community Futures Comms Group. It is hoped that this will avoid clashes of worthwhile events
- Jim Evans has contacted the Saline Hotel owners about the community art project discussed at January's meeting. This appears promising and it was agreed that the community council will, in principle, contribute to a funding package subject to further details being provided and funds being available
- It was noted that a gap in the hedge at the Oakley Road park and road was enabling children to run onto the road and that there had been a near miss. It was agreed that Fife Council should be advised of the problem

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#### **9. Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2012 at 7.30pm in Saline Community Centre.

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