

## **West Fife and Costal Villages Community Council Forum**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> August at Blairhall New Community Centre**

**Present:** John Duffy, Anne Macdonald, John Bonnar, Cllr Ferguson, Willie Hepburn, Jim Hensman, Marie Crane, John Crane.

**1.0 Apologies:** David Wall, Cllr Alice Callaghan, Cllr Kate Stewart, Muriel Clover, Sergeant Neil, David Lord, Sheila Carribine, Cllr Bobby Clelland.

**2.0 Minutes of Previous Proposed JD, Seconded JH and approved**

### **3.0 Meeting/Matters Arising:**

**Amending the Forum constitution:** carried forward

**Accounts:** JD advised that he now had all of the accounts and receipts for the previous financial year.

**Lockshaw Wind Farm Community benefit fund:** JD informed that he had contacted David Shankland at Fife Council Planning to get an update on the matter. DS advised that the draft report on the application was on the Council's website and suggested that the Forum needed to speak to someone in Legal Services to clarify who would be responsible for the administration of the community benefit fund.

**ACTION:** Cllr WF to contact David Henderson Fife Council, Legal Services

**4.0 Police report:** None

**5.0 Councillor report:** Cllr WF advised that the South West Fife Area Committee had rejected the proposal in the Fife Plan for the development of housing to the south of Cairneyhill and had supported the development of houses to the north of Cairneyhill as this provided wider benefits to the community in terms of community facilities etc.

A proposal for the development of new housing in Crombie had also been supported. It was noted that the Crombie School was now scheduled to close.

### **6.0 Community Council Feedback:**

**Saline:** MC & JC advised that:

- The Community Council were concerned over the traffic calming on the Oakley Road which was scheduled to begin in September.
- There were also traffic problems in the village due to parking at the school and at the garage.
- The bus service to Saline was being reduced. The Community Council had written to Fife Council to raise their concerns.
- The Post Office had moved into the shop.
- The Horticultural show was scheduled to take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> September.
- JC was stepping down as Chair of the Community Council due to health problems.

**Cairneyhill:** AMcd advised that:

- The Community Council were now meeting in the Old Manse.
- Cairneyhill Flower Show was scheduled to take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September.
- A new smaller team of volunteers was now responsible for Fife in Bloom in Cairneyhill.

**Carnock and Gowkhall:** JD informed that DL had advised that:

- The Community Centre had been soundproofed.
- The opening of the new play park was being planned.

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**Kincardine:** WH advised that:

- The Community Council was concerned over the lack of progress in reinstating the Mercat Cross and a breakdown in communication in relation to the project.
- There had been an influx of people into the village during the Commonwealth games.
- The floral enhancement of the villages had went well.

**Torryburn:** JD advised that the Community Council had held its AGM.

**7.0 Planning:** It was noted that:

- REG had appealed against Fife Council's decision to refuse planning permission for Outh Muir.
- A pre -notification application have been submitted for 4 wind turbines on Blairhall Bings.

**8.0 Any Other Business:**

- **Community Council Elections:** It was noted that elections were scheduled to take place in October.
- **Culross Abbey:** AMcd advised that the road signage to the Abbey from the A985 had been approved. A grant application to cover the cost of the signage had been submitted to the Locality Budget.

The Rev Jayne Scott was leaving the parish and going back to Edinburgh.

**9.0 Date of Next Meeting:** 25 September, 2014 at 7pm in Blairhall New Community Centre.

### **AGENDA – 30<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm.**

1.0 Presentation; Sandra Beveridge, West Fife Enterprise

2.0 Apologies

3.0 Matters arsing

4.0 Police report

5.0 Councillor report

6.0 Community Council update

7.0 Planning

8.0 AOB

9.0 Date of the next meeting