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Minutes of meeting held Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 in Pittenweem New Town Hall.

Opening of Meeting:

The Chair KH called the meeting to order at 7pm and welcomed all present.

Present:

Community Council: K. Horsburgh, W. Hughes, M. Wardlaw, J. Taylor, H. Coggle.

Fife Council: Cllr D. Macgregor and Cllr J. Docherty

Guests: None

Members of the Public: None

Apologies: A. Innes, J. Bowman, C. McCallum, B. Ortmann and Cllr Riches

Approval of previous minutes:

Proposed: J. Taylor                      Seconded: H. Coggle

KH opened the meeting by welcoming all who attended.

Arts Festival: Quick update as agreed. Two main issues:

Estate Holders to discuss community estate business and Wash Up Meeting to discuss problems that arose during Festival and put in place changes needed for next year. There was no such meeting last year and unsure if one had been held the previous year. It was discussed at the last meeting before the Festival and it was included in the minutes to hold a wash up meeting after the event. To get an action plan organised KH wrote to all three Councillors this morning asking for some dates, Cllr Macgregor spoke with Cllr Riches and came up with four dates the one most acceptable for them and CC members was Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 11am. MW was asked to book the hall.

Police Issues: nothing to report.

West Braes: The damaged bench, someone from FC threw the bench into the skip and said it would not be replaced. Nicola Thomson asked a Pict member who is a carpenter if he could repair the bench; it was removed from the skip and is being repaired. KH spoke to a Mr Easton regarding this along with the missing and damaged planks of wood from the fencing to be told that was not under his jurisdiction however he has agreed to look into it and see about getting it done.

Skate Park: Alan Bisset coming along tomorrow 11th Oct. at 1pm to go over the removal of the ramp at the skate park. The East End looks as if it could be repaired but not sure about the West End part. If anyone wants to come along tomorrow they are more than welcome to check and report back what is required. Whilst visiting he will be asked to check out the

roundabout which was stiff and in need of repair, and to look at the planning budget for upgrading the play area.

West Shore: nothing to report. MW mentioned about a meeting Scottish Water had planned and it may be of interest for householders living in that area, this was discussed at last meeting.

Defibrillator: Gillian Duncan agreed on training, best format would be to tag it onto another local meeting, KH suggested the Wednesday coffee mornings but it was agreed this would not be the right venue. MW suggested it be done in NTH, posters would be distributed. KH suggested best people for training would be people living and working close to the defibs. Again this was not thought a good idea. KH going to speak to Gillian Duncan re possible meeting in December. The training to take place before the CC meeting.

PICT: MW reported she had attended their AGM, they no longer have any directors at present, 17 people attended the meeting. They are progressing with their arrangements for the Library but this will no longer be part of Pict. And are hoping to become charity based. They have acquired the use of the notice board from the Cocoa Tree at the bottom of Water Wynd.

Notice Boards: nothing to report on re-aligning them. MW has been approached by Pict to put posters in our notice boards. It was agreed to allow them to display notices of Community interest.

West Wynd: waiting for lampposts but can public can now walk through this area.

Marygate: new street lighting to be installed but no dates at present. JT said he has noticed two poles had been erected along at the seating area at the top of Abbeywall road, not sure what these posts are for.

High Street Power Points: still nothing to report. MW has switched the lights off. JT asked if we are going to apply to clear parking area. HC asked when they would be switched back on, MW thought about three weeks before Christmas would be best.

Breakwater/Harbour: finished, remove heading

Wee Roadie: been raked over, top of slipway, hole at the back of wall to allow water to drain away.

Old Town Hall: someone has done some repair to the banister but it is not completed. Cllr JD to ask M. McArdle if fire escape has been checked. People ask why this venue is not used for public use. The Railway Club is using it more or less all year round. The Arts Festival use the venue during the Festival and for storage at other times.

P.I.B.: A meeting has been held with Ian Barbour to plant a new tree for Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. A Scots Pine will be planted in the park next to the last tree planted.

NTHO offered to purchase their hut situated within the NTH grounds, offer has been accepted. Shed has still to be emptied shed but will arrange at a later date. JT prompted us this was not part of CC business, MW pointed out that paint stored in the shed belonged to CC and it needs to be moved.

Road Repairs: KB reported back that meeting with Cllr Riches to discuss the repairs needed to walls damaged whilst new pavements were laid did not take place.

Area from R McBain's house to end of road is bad, walls covered with tar, poor workmanship overall. The same roads in the area have again been patched to a sub-standard finish. Why were these roads not fully resurfaced to a high standard that would have saved monies in the first place? Whole strategy of spending good money after bad by continual patch up work that last for only a few days is not acceptable.

It was noted at a Ward meeting that 3 Cllrs were to decide on which roads to be repaired. Cllr DM said it must have been some time ago but KH is to speak to FC again and get an update. **Cllr JD** is to attend with **FC** and have 'A WALKABOUT'.

Church Bell: Contact to M. McArdle, getting the things into position, Cllr JD dealing with them but to actually get someone with the right knowledge for this repair is causing a problem. It has been noted that L. Lowe is still getting access to this part of the Church and is tampering with the ropes for the bells, this needs to be addressed.

Main Road Signs: KH chased Gordon Hughes for update, all signed off, work in progress.

Common Good Fund: nothing to report.

East Neuk and Landward: nothing to report.

Charles St/James St: KH spoken to Stuart Goodfellow work in progress MW asked for copy of e-mail.

Planning: 18 Notifications 12<sup>th</sup>. Sept to 10<sup>th</sup>. Oct inclusive: 4 being reminders of Neighbour Consultation Expiry dates on previously noted applications.

Special Attention : Filling Station James Street

No: 16/03137/FULL | Change of use from fuel filling station to hand car wash including installation of splash screens | Status: New 29/09/ | Type: Planning

Councillors report: FC not changing anything till after end of year,

Treasurer's report: at 29/9/16 in bank £2362.41.

Secretary's Report: nothing to report.

N.T.H.O.: Nursery to start on 7<sup>th</sup> Nov. holding open day 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. Hopefully it will generate a reasonable income for the hall. Cllr JD said it will help the community. Waiting on reply from Asda regarding Grant. Having to review our Constitution again to support the new lease. Cllr JD explained about the insurance policy needed. Purchased the shed from P.I.B.

NTH Trust Fund: money paid although considerably less than what was first suggested.

C.G.Fund: nothing to report

Fishermen's Memorial: a few things being planned, bank a/c still not changed over as yet. KH explained the first memorial erected at Eyemouth cost £20,000 but a new one that cost £250,000. has just been unveiled.

Planning want to charge for application to site memorial. Cllr JD offered his help to make representations to save charges.

Play Park Gate: No dog/ball signs should be put up. Costs of signs to be looked at.

Repairs were handed over to Ian Barbour of FC. Broken hinges on gate and broken planks now repaired. A man is putting his dogs into the play area bit and leaving them. Cllr JD to contact dog warden to patrol.

Broken Street Signs: in pipeline will be kept updated. KH to write to Ken Smith regarding the removal of street signs that are no longer required e.g. Baptist Church at chemist, one on light house pier has been damaged, KH to check it out.

Removal of Home Made Road Signs: number of signs coming in from all sides, free standing signs on pavements. MW pointed out that a notice is in the notice board regarding this. Signs should be removed at end of event.

Wreath: KH said wreath had been ordered and asked Cllr JD if he would lay it again this year on behalf of Pittenweem Community Council, date and time discussed.

A.O.C.B.

State of Cemetery grounds: KH has contacted Liz Murphy FC regarding this, awaiting reply.

Pay Phone Removals: an update on the latest removal of telephone boxes in the East Fife area.

Education Governance Review: an invitation from Daniel Waddell for representation by CC member/s to attend an engagement session at Edinburgh International Conference Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> November, more details available should anyone be interested.

Your View Counts (CC) on line questionnaire to get feedback regarding Police Scotland. JT and MW have already completed this.

Planning Aid For Scotland: JT attended a meeting in Cupar and was updated on the Planning process changes.

Abbreviations:

KH-Ken Horsburgh, JT – Jim Taylor, BO-Brian Ortmann, AI\_ Alex Innis, CM-Christine McCallum, HC-Helen Coggle, WH-Billy Hughes, JB-John Bowman, MW-Margaret Wardlaw, Cllr DMcg-Cllr Donald Magregor, CllrJD-Cllr John Docherty, FC-Fife Council, CC-Community Council, PIB-Pittenweem in Bloom, CGF-Common Good Fund, CGG-Common Good Ground, NEF-North East Fife. NTHO – New Town Hall Organisation, PICT – Pittenweem Community Trust