



**Minutes of the Royal Burgh of Pittenweem Community Council
Meeting Held Monday 27th August 2018 in the New Town Hall**

Apologies: John Bowman, Cllr John Docherty, Cllr Bill Porteous

Present: Jim Taylor, Brian Ortmann, Ken Horsburgh, Alex Innes, Billy Hughes, Margaret Wardlaw, Cllr Linda Holt

Adoption of the Minutes of the July 2018 meeting:

As there was no Quorum present for the July Meeting an informal meeting was held. There were no minutes.

Matters Arising:

East Neuk Emergency Plan: As the current Community Council is coming to an end and the subject needs considerable thought and discussion, it was agreed to put this on hold until after the forthcoming elections.

Abbeywall Road: At long last we received a report from Stuart Goodfellow following the meeting with residents in the 17th May concerning speeding. However, there were several inaccuracies and omissions and it was agreed that we would make corrections. Cllr Linda Holt will relay this back to him.

Wall on Abbeywall Road: we have raised our concerns about the state of the wall on several occasions as well as during the May visit. The response from Murray Scott from the Structures Team is disappointing. We believe a comprehensive engineering survey needs to be carried out with a degree of urgency. Using uncertainty about ownership is merely a smokescreen to do nothing! This is the only road to and from the harbour and shore area and closure, should the wall collapse, would be catastrophic for the fishing fleet and residents in the affected area.

Parking Issues: we will respond to the report from Stuart Goodfellow which does not address the issues raised when we met.

Road Repairs: It was agreed to invite Colin Stirling to the September meeting to discuss parking, road repairs, Abbeywall Road issues and the one-way system.

Play parks: this is an ongoing issue and we hope to invite Alan Bisset to a future meeting of PCC to discuss.

Remembrance Sunday: The wreath needs to be ordered. We also need to agree who will lay the wreath, bearing in mind that the current CC is dissolved in October.

Salt Bin Provision: in response to this exercise designed to reduce the numbers we reiterated that all Wynds must have a bin both at the top and the bottom. Pittenweem has a significant number of steep Wynds and lack of gritting facilities presents an unacceptable hazard during inclement weather.

Pittenweem Arts Festival: a number of significant issues were raised concerning operational issues during the week of the festival. We expect that representatives from the CC will be invited to the Wash-up meeting to enable the various issues to be addressed.

Local Councillor's Report: Councillor Holt reminded us that the next meeting of the East Neuk Forum is on the 6th September in the Waid Community Campus.

We raised the issue concerning the poor level of representation from elected members at our recent meetings. We have already rescheduled our meetings to alleviate the situation but regret this has resulted in no improvement in attendance.

Secretary's Report: There was nothing of note to report during the last month.

Treasurer's Report: The monthly bank statement shows a balance of £1995.92.

Planning: There were thirty-five notifications over the period, ten approved and thirteen new. Nothing of note to report, no neighbour comments.

New Town Hall Committee: The issue of the new lease has still not been resolved although Janice Laird is now involved.

AOCB:

The complaint made by Town Centre traders regarding poor signage was discussed. It was agreed that brown signs could be the solution.

Concerns were raised that road signage to the New Town Hall was inadequate and needs upgrading.

The No Through Road Signs on Water Wynd need to be replaced and made more prominent. Recently there have been instances of motorbikes accessing High Street by way of Water Wynd. Can consideration be given for the bollards at the top be replaced by offset railings to prevent this?

There was a request that a self-closing mechanism be fitted to the gate on the lane leading from the New Grange Play Park on to James Street

Next Meeting: Wednesday 19th September 2018