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**Minutes of meeting held Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in Pittenweem New Town Hall.**

**Opening of Meeting:**

The Vice Chair **WH** called the meeting to order at 7pm and welcomed all present.

**Community Council:** W. Hughes, M. Wardlaw, B. Ortmann, C. McCallum, J. Taylor and H. Coggle,

**Fife Council:** Cllr D. Macgregor

**Guests:** None

**Members of the Public:** None

**Apologies:** K. Horsburgh, J. Bowman, Cllr Riches. Nothing from Cllr J. Docherty

**Approval of previous minutes:**

**Proposed:** J. Taylor                    **Seconded:** C. McCallum

**WH** opened the meeting by welcoming all who attended and wished everyone a Happy New Year. Reported JB is off-shore, **KH** has had an operation on his knee but has sent notes.

**Defib.Training:** this has been rescheduled for next month and will now be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm. Posters to be printed and circulated.

**Arts Festival:** an e-mail of the minutes from **Cllr Riches** has come in and **MW** has been asked to forward it to everyone before the next meeting

**Police:** **WH** commented about the problems at the recycling centre, not sure what is to be done. **MW** has also contacted G. Tetlow (police) about parking at 64 High Street.

**Skate Park:** Nothing to date owing to the Christmas break, **FC** back tomorrow.

**West Wynd:** Light still not working. **WH** going to chase up.

**Pict:** They were meant to be having some fund raising events but we have heard nothing.

**Notice Boards:** nothing to report.

**Marygate:** lighting plans still not through.

**Old Town Hall:** on hold owing to Christmas break.

**P.I.B.:** **HC** events booked for James Street Church Hall but owing to part of the hall roof coming down events have been put on hold.

**Road Repairs:** There is a bad pothole outside **BO's** garage entrance, **FC** repaired part of the hole in the past but did not complete the full hole, pointless complaining.

**Church Bell:** nothing to report.

**Main Road Signs:** they have been signed off but not erected as yet.

**East Neuk & Landward:** **Nothing.** Cllr **DM** does not have a date for next meeting as yet.

**Planning:** JT reports there were 17 notifications in month of which 2 were closing date reminders, 4 were passed, so 11 were new notifications. He brings **28 & 40 Midshore** to our attention, there are no public comments on either up to today.

**28 Mid Shore** - 16/03999/LBC & 16/03832/FULL | Received date: Thu 17 Nov Listed building & planning consent for dormer extension and erection of raised platform to rear, installation of windows and door - | Status: Validated Fri 09 Dec 2016| New 13/12/ | Type: Planning| Consultation Expiry Date Wed 18 Jan 2017

**40 Mid Shore** - 16/04096/LBC & 16/04095/FULL | Received date: Tue 13 Dec 2016 Listed building & planning consent for internal and external alterations including installation of replacement door - | Status: New 22/12 | Type: Planning

**Dog Fouling:** nothing as yet. **Cllr JD** was to follow up complaints made by residents. **WH** said it is the worst he has seen in his area. **CM** said people should keep their dogs on a leash, at least that way they would know what they were doing and pick up any mess. At night people should carry a torch and keep an eye on their dogs.

**Street Signs & Signage:** **KH** reported Kevin Smith seems to have attended to what we asked him to do last month, apart from putting dog fouling ones to put on fences at the play area compounds. He said as we erected the fence it's up to us to put signs up on the fences. Some of the committee feel it is a waste of money putting up more signs since people just ignore them. It was decided to carry over to next month.

The sign at top of School Wynd will not be replaced. The old sign leading to the old Baptist Church still has not been removed. **KH** had asked about the warning sign at the Lighthouse Pier - Kevin Smith to get someone to look at this. **KH** had pointed out that signs for events on the roads coming into Pittenweem, and notices tied to fencing and railings were not being removed - Kevin Smith said he would get someone to follow up these complaints.

**Dog Fouling** signs in Play Park to be looked into.

**Councillor's Report:** **Cllr DM** said owing to holidays there is nothing to report.

He reminded us that he would not be standing at the May elections, there are 2 candidates at present, will keep us updated.

**Treasurer's Report:** £2159.94 in bank at present.

**Secretary's Report:** **MW** read out a letter from **NTHC** to the **CC** as user, stating the hall would be closed between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> April Inclusive owing to repair work being carried out. Bank statement from Fund Raising Committee sits at £5444.14 with p/c £5.20. Still waiting on some accounts to come in.

The Courier eventually put a picture of Santa in his grotto A into the paper. It had been sent in just after the event. Still getting people commenting on how nice it is to see the lights still up. They will be switched off at the end of January.

**Common Good Ground:** nothing owing to public holidays.

**Common Good Property:** nothing owing to public holidays.

**Fisherman's Memorial:** next meeting will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> January. They have applied to become a registered charity.

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**N.T.H.C.:** The committee have applied for funding to renew all piping and radiators in the hall. Several pieces of piping had already been renewed when leaks were found, but the old piping is really past repair. **FC** only keep the hall wind and watertight and fund nothing else. Plumbing contractor starts on 3<sup>rd</sup> April. The hall will not be available for hire for two weeks to allow the plumbing work to be carried out.

We recently allowed the Nursery to use the hall on a daily basis but it hasn't really worked out so they will finish at the end of March.

**West End High Street:** Complaints have been made regarding irresponsible parking both at Black's fish shed and at no 64. There are double yellow lines in the area, which are not being adhered to, complaint has been forwarded to the police. **JT** said he seems to remember signs at both ends stating 'No Through Road' or 'Access Only' some years ago.

**Harbour Parking:** The area where materials were stored for the renovations along at West Shore has been "resurfaced" but no divider lines have been restored. As a result improper parking is happening meaning two cars are being parked when there could be three. This needs to be reported to **FC**.

**Pay Back Scheme:** **BO** has spoken to person in charge and work will commence later in the year. It was suggested they could help PIB paint tub.

**Abbeywall Road banking:** **JT** produced a plan of Abbeywall Road and it shows the ground does not belong to the new houses. **JT** said that a group had applied to Civic Areas for funding to help with ground at the back of Priory Court, could we do that for this area. Contact for that would be Keith Jackson.

It was suggested the Pay Back Scheme be asked to help tidy up the banking and, if possible, plant shrubs to stabilize the soil.

**Graveyards:** Liz Murphy has confirmed the reinstatement of the paths will get done this winter. (it will be a big job)

**New Housing:** **KH** is to have talks with Kate Hughes regarding 'The Fife Plan'.

**Priory Court:** an e-mail from J. Christianson has been received regarding Priory Court Park and the keeping of it. They plan to sow seeds and plant shrubs etc. They have asked Park's Maintenance team to mow the grass and do seasonal maintenance but not to use weed killers in the area. There is also concern regarding the Sycamore trees being taken down. They suggested building a green gym with the timber from the trees. They are hoping that in the New Year they could enlist help and support from the **CC**, Local Councillors and Pict.

**Change to Community Grants:** Grants and how to apply for them will be changing this year. Copy of document has been sent to members of the committee.

#### **AOCB:**

**WH** asked if anyone had any comments or query.

**JT** asked if anyone knew if there was a law about security lighting similar to that on CCTV. He has had a complaint sent to him about a holiday home which has security lighting which not only shines into other houses but also onto the main road and can be quite blinding at times. No one was sure on whether there were guidelines on this.

**MW** reported paper work from Emergency Resilience had come through and she is attending a meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> January at Lynbank Hospital, Dunfermline.

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**JT** had circulated:

An e-mail regarding the Improvement Service's Community Council Project survey.

An update on Fife Forum was e-mailed through.

Survey papers for Barriers to Community involvement in Planning. Deadline for the survey has now been extended.

Update from Enterprise Nation

**Time Finished: 8-30pm**

**Next Meeting; Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.**

**Abbreviations:**

**KH**-Ken Horsburgh, **JT** – Jim Taylor, **BO**-Brian Ortmann, **AI\_** Alex Innes, **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, **CGP** – Common Good Property