



**Chair: K. Horsburgh, Vice Chair: W. Hughes, Secretary: J. Taylor
Minute Secretary: M. Wardlaw, Treasurer: B. Ortmann.**

Website: www.aboutpittenweem.org.

Minutes of meeting held Monday 11th July 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, J. Taylor, M. Wardlaw, J. Bowman, A. Innes C. MacCallum and H. Coggle.

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

Apologies: B. Ortmann and W. Hughes, Cllr Riches

Guests: Philip Mould (Arts festival)

Members of the public: None

Approval of previous minutes:

Proposed: J. Taylor **Seconded:** J. Bowman

Arts Festival: Philip Mould came along to update us on the infrastructure details of the festival. This is its 35th year. The dates are 6th till 14th August with the open night on the 5th August. Access to sports field will be from Monday 1st August to rope, line and prepare parking area. Traffic plan is with Stuart Goodfellow. Query from Abbeywall Rd, restrictions not shown as done in previous years, **SG** to be contacted regarding this. It was stressed that vehicles travel too quickly on exit, more signs are needed to make roads safe. Robert Adair on road traffic, monitor Abbeywall Rd, congestion down there, many people going down to harbour area that had no reason to be there, they should have been turned back. Cut backs have been made on traffic controllers. University Ave will be monitored. Parking is in consultation with Waid Academy about using ground for parking should it be necessary, also using other car parks in Anstruther for overspill. Charles St. Park can hold up to 700 vehicles at any given time. **JT** asked what time attendants finished each day w/e 8pm w/d 6pm. Problem with youngsters removing ropes and bollards at night in car park, also stalls selling programmes have been moved, this is usually all tidied up first thing in the morning. Damage is not malicious. **A.I** Control of permits, there is evidence of abuse with the permits, many people did not receive permits this year, they were supposed to have gone out the Thurs before the festival started. **PM** said he would check this out. Each resident is issued with two, if they need more they have to go to the Festival office, often it is difficult to

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get them to understand if you have visitors you need an extra permit, there needs to be consultation regarding this and also about artists showing need to be told they must use the proper designated parking areas and not streets on edge of town. Charles St residents park in school playground or designated area in park. Clearance needed for shuttle bus to turn at entrance to main car park, disabled residents need to be considered when parking is restricted. **MW** asked if it was possible to have signs pointing in the direction of the **NTH** instead of James St to get people to visit, complaints from artists last year about this.

JB brought up the infestation of cones and how he got one through his window last year. Surely so many cones are not necessary, they get moved, run over cause people to swerve so they are a traffic hazard. Many people have to walk to where they want to go.

KH mentioned the congestion in Charles St usually comes on the Sat night and lasts till about the Thurs., Asked about traffic wardens, **PM** suggested we write to **FC** and formally request presence at the following areas, Main Rd. throughout, High St, Abbeywall Rd and Charles St. It was noted that a meeting was held before the festival with festival members invited but no one turned up. Both week-ends can see an increase of traffic presence of up to as many as 10,000 people. **Cllr JD** will approach and contact **FC**. The lack of our street cleaner hopefully will not allow for rubbish and litter to be left lying about. It was noted that many holiday homes leaving bags of rubbish out for the seagulls to scavenge in needs to be addressed. **PM** said that 20 extra blue bins will be placed throughout in the hope to reduce litter, these bin swill be serviced and they are paying **FC** to do this. **PM** did say he had written a letter of thank's to Gordon for all his hard work over past years. This is **PM** last year with the Festival.

Arts Festival: A meeting was set up with 3 **CC** members, 3 Arts Festival Committee and 3 Councillors to discuss Festival activities. Only 2 Councillors turned up and 3 **CC** members. It is hoped all those invited to this meeting will attend the next one scheduled for later in the year. **KH** thanked everyone from **CC** for their input into the topics for discussion for the meeting.

Police: nothing to report.

West Shore Wall Repairs/Mid Shore: Small scale repair work to this wall, some funding from CGF. Works limited re-setting coping stones, pointing along cope and face of wall. Quick fix on the drainage issues behind the wall. Limited to funds available, core through wall at east end to allow water to drain away down the slipway. We have not been given the funds to investigate and renew original drainage arrangements. No work to finish the ground behind the seawall as this was disturbed during the land remediation works. Estimated time for above works week commencing 11/7/16.

West Wynd: a lot of work has been done, at least 3 loads of rubble have been removed, will keep updated.

Pict: seem to be busy with the crazy golf pitch and shop, a newsletter was sent out updating their activities.

Breakwater: still ongoing but should be completed by the end of July.

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Old Town Hall: CC have written to FC about damage to railings etc. and asked someone to come out and look at it, also to get paintwork done. This work needs to be done since it is a health and safety issue.

West Braes: Ian Barbour has been down to look at the damage, pot holes, West Braes Rd. has been closed

Skateboard Park: Damage at skateboard area, some parts have been removed or repaired. Some of the wood is rotten and there are jagged holes needing repaired or removed. Cllr JD has asked Cllr Riches about the safety issues.

Scottish Water: nothing to report.

P.I.B. there will be a meeting tomorrow night 12th July. Ron McFarlane has donated a boat so now the committee have to decide where it will go. The judges will be visiting Pittenweem to judge the floral arrangements and tubs for this year's winner of Scotland in Bloom.

Abbeywall Road: It has been a subject discussed many times with no results, the banking going down Abbeywall Rd. and the weeds etc. that accumulate there every year. It is like no man's land, it has been suggested that the pay back boys become involved to get the area cleaned up yet again.

Library Closures: no updates.

Notice Boards: it has been mentioned by MW that they need to be properly aligned to make it easier to open and close.

Marygate: nothing to report.

High Street Electrics: had to get FC out to open the bollards to switch electrics on for the festival. The locks just seize up and FC chap had to use pliers to turn the key, not ideal. Waiting on new locks being fitted and a new bollard is to replace the last one that was installed which was already damaged. Hopefully the lights will be on last two trees for Christmas.

Street Lighting: MW mentioned the new lighting installed recently and how poorly it lights up the dark lanes and corners, no thought put into the safety after dark especially for elderly people.

Church Bell: Cllr JD has been chasing this up, nothing positive to report.

Road Signs: Kevin Smith is the person responsible for road signs disappearing. MW spoke to him and if anyone has signs to put out it is advisable to contact him first. Details have been put up in the notice board for everyone to read.

Road Repairs: the residents of Queen Elizabeth Rd, Sandycraig Rd and West Braes are all up in arms at the mess that the roads dept. has not only made of the roads but also the damage done to peoples property, many garden wall have been damaged.

Fish Sale trailer: planning permission is needed if this trailer is going to be a permanent fixture. Apparently they are buying in fish and have a large fridge and two cooled display counters situated inside the fish market premises.

Councillors Report: Cllr D. Mcgregor nothing to report.

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Cllr J. Docherty: at the last E.N. Comm. Forum meeting a senior rep from the Health and Social Care Integration Board gave a presentation about the now called **I.J.B.** Community Council representatives who gave me their names as **CC** contacts will now start to be directly contacted by the Communication dept. of the **I.J.B.** so as to inform Communities of any change to delivery of Social Work/ Health Care in their area, also this means if any **CC** identify a need in their community, the **CC** can contact the **I.J.B.** and ask for their input.

Secretary's Report: Thank you **Cllr JD** for your written report, it is appreciated and also thanks to others who have handed me their reports.

Treasurers Report: Bank Account: monies in bank to date 29/6/2016 £2365.11

Fisherman's Memorial Fund: a meeting held last week, a new constitution is being drawn up they are not going for charity status. They have closed down the subcommittee bank account they held with the **CC** and have opened up their own bank account. They will be holding an **AGM** with proper meetings and minutes recorded, they will be looking to raise funds via fund raising and grants. It was agreed **BO** would write a cheque for balance sitting in account and hand over monies and close that account.

Street Signs: update, all painted signs have been refreshed including the two in James Street. Street nameplates are on order and should be put in place within next two months. Broken sign in School Wynd is ordered and will be replaced asap. New sign at bottom of Cove Wynd has been ordered and will up asap. The 'no parking signs' removed from the Backgate will not be replaced.

Common Good Fund: nothing to report

Hall Closures: nothing to report.

Eastneuk/Landward: nothing to report.

Charles st/James St Junction: nothing to report.

Planning: 18 updates have been received from 13th. June to 11th. July inclusive.

No application was considered to require our attention, but member of the public contacted us on the following.

16/02262/SCO | Fri 24 Jun 2016 | @ Easter Grangemuir | Scoping Opinion for installation of 2 No. 25kw wind power generators with 8m blade on hub height of 18m | Status: New
16/00912/FULL | Reekie Fish Merchant Marygate | Erection of dwelling house (demolish existing fish processing shed and 2 garages) - Alterations to plans |

15/04082/FULL | Filling Station James Street | Thu 03 Dec 2015 | Change of use from fuel filling station to hand car wash including installation of splash screens - Alterations to plans |

16/01876/FULL | Opposite 2 Mid Shore Proposed | Siting of mobile catering unit - Update opening hours of the temporary sales unit are 7 days a week from 11.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m.

Website: **JT** proved up and running by sending weekly planning updates.

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N.T.H.O.: Still nothing through from Trust Fund, chased Andrew Ferguson again. MW asked the Cllrs if they could help with raising a lease for the hall to FC since she has drawn a blank with them. Everything is in place for the Festival, all areas of hall let out to artists.

Common Good Ground: a few items to be discussed at next month's meeting.

A.O.C.B. Coastguard Helicopter landed in the play park on Sunday, they had been doing a training exercise locally with Lifeboat and Ambulance Service

Update been sent through about planned maintenance work on Kincardine Bridge A985 in July/August.

PRS for Music information on music licences.

Meeting finished at 8-40pm

Next Meeting Monday 12th September @ 7pm (No August Meeting)

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Cllr DMcg- Cllr Donald Macgregor, **Cllr- JD** Cllr John Docherty **FC-** Fife Council, **CC-** Community Council, **KH** – Ken Horsburgh, **MW** – Margaret Wardlaw, **JT** – Jim Taylor, **BO** – Brian Ortmann, **AI** – Alex Innes, **JB** – John Bowman, **PM** – Philip Mould, **NTHO** – New Town Hall Organisation, **PIB-** Pittenweem in Bloom, **SW-** Scottish Water, **SP** – Scottish Power, **CGF-**Common Good Fund, **CGG-** Common Good Ground, **AF-** Arts Festival,