



The Royal Burgh of
Pittenweem and District
Community Council

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Minutes for PCC meeting in the New Town Hall 10th November 7pm

PRESENT: Margaret Wardlaw, Duncan Lucas, Linda Lauder, Peter Mills. Jim Wood, Evelyn Boyd and David Stutchfield.

APOLOGIES: Ruth Brown, Cllr Fiona Corps, Cllr Sean Dillon and Cllr Alycia Hayes.

PUBLIC ATTENDING: Stewart Moreland

INVITED GUESTS: No invited guests this month.

PROPOSAL OF MINUTES: **Proposed by** Evelyn Boyd **Seconded by** David Stutchfield.

COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS: The Councillors sent their apologies so there was no report.

MATTERS ARISING:

COMMON GOOD – Cllr. AH attended the North East Fife Area Committee meeting on 2nd November where the Common Good Fund item on the agenda was not approved, the **PCC** had concerns regarding these accounts. A meeting has been arranged by **PM** on the 18th November with Paul Vaughan at the Cupar County buildings with **MW, JW** and **Cllr AH**. The reason for this meeting is to try and establish how errors were made and what funds have been removed for from the accounts, it would be useful to have an audit of the report as the accounts are not easy to understand. This meeting is to find out how errors were made in these accounts and to demand an external audit, this does not include the assets.

MUP – PM reported Allan MacLean has been unwell and unable to attend a recent meeting. He was to produce drawings and maps at the last meeting. There is no update as the meeting had to be cancelled.

SUP/ELIE – PM reported there is an online meeting arranged for 30th November with Crispin and Sonja regarding the path. Concerns were raised from the members regarding the proposed contraflow for cyclists in the Marygate and High Street but this awaits external consultant’s advice. It was explained this is a working map not a final map.

CYCLE RACKS – LL reported a further email was sent to Andrew Tejada but is waiting on a reply. Fife Coast and Country Trust (FCCT) had been in contact regarding the Fife Outdoor Tourism Infrastructure Project (FOTIP) work at the West Braes, after FCCT spoke to Andrew it was agreed that his team would be able to install the racks more promptly and sent a snap shot of where FCCT has advised where there rack can be installed. The members have a few questions for FCCT. LL is to contact Sarah Jane at FCCT. The PCC are still awaiting dates from Andrew regarding a site visit to install other racks.

CHURCH CLOSURES – PM explained it is hoped to save the Church of Scotland and the congregation will meet on the 16th November to have their say on what happens to the church. It was suggested that the community would need to be very much involved, the church is still functioning at the moment. . An interim moderator has been appointed and Aileen Campbell has volunteered to become the Session Clerk. She will be invited to a PCC meeting at some point.

St MARGARET’S FARM DEVELOPMENT – section 75, there is nothing to report on these two items of business at the moment.

STATION COURT DEVELOPMENT – section 75. Neil Martin position was reported in the last minutes

SPEED REDUCTION SIGN – There is no new update.

TOLBOOTH STEEPLE – There is nothing new to report.

TREE PLANTING SIGN – RB was unable to attend, there is no update.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION – DS reported waiting on replies from funding applications. There is an online meeting to be arranged with the Community Planning Fund. All the funding applications that have been applied for are to

help with development and production of a Local Place Plan which will involve the help of the community.

POLICE REPORT- there were 22 calls to the police. 1 crime recorded. **DL** and **EB** reported at the meeting there had been youths making a nuisance of themselves in the Marygate at the end of last month. Unfortunately the police were not informed.

ELECTRIC POINTS IN HIGH STREET – there is no funding at the moment for this project.

ROAD SIGNS – **LL** received an email explaining replacement of the damaged street name plate in University Avenue was instructed to Roads Maintenance Operations team in June. This should have been completed by now and apologises for the delay. However, there is a large volume of signs maintenance work instructed and must prioritise those associated with road safety first. With regard to the painted signs, **FC** will not be repainting these. They will be replaced with standard street name plates on poles at the rear of the footway, as per usual practice. We try wherever possible to avoid signage on private property, as this is fraught with potential issues with regard to permissions and access.

LL reported the NO Entry signs at the Marygate & the bottom of South Loan to Eva Martinez she has passed the email onto The Road Network Condition Team who deal with sign and line maintenance.

PLANNING REPORT: St MARGARET'S FARM DEVELOPMENT - planning for this development has been submitted but is still to be registered and uploaded by FC planning. John Handley is willing to attend our next meet in December. 18 West Shore planning application 22/03459/LBC – an email had been sent to **PM** regarding this property from the East Neuk Preservation Society to inform the **PCC** that they would be objecting to the proposal regarding the large flat roof extension spoiling the view from West Braes and the other problems identified by Historic Environment Scotland. This was discussed within the committee and it was agreed to add our objections on behalf of the PCC. As this would only count as one objection others were asked to lodge individual objections. **JW** reported the Gate House at the Anchorage 1 Milton Place has been removed, this is was explained at a previous meeting when the property

owner attended, this is to deal with Japanese Knot Weed. The building will be rebuilt.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: LL reported an email was sent from Penelope Fraser regarding Call for Support - Participation Request Fife concerning St Andrews Community Hospital, asking to confirm their support as Peter Lomas had died and his computer had become inaccessible. The **PCC** were sorry to hear of his death.

- Fife Health & Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Strategic Plan 2022-2025 - Draft for Consultation was sent to all members, this closes 30th November.
- A New Fife Events Fund was launched for Fife Community Councils for event organisers hosting events taking place between Friday the 25th of November 2022 and Friday the 31st of March 2023 may be eligible for support. The deadline for applications is Friday the 18th of November 2022.
- Telephone Exchange- hadn't noticed before that the planning application has recorded the address as 1 Session Lane, but is sure the post office will make sure all addresses remain unique, when allocating one to the telephone exchange.
- LL reported the NO Entry signs at the Marygate & the bottom of South Loan to Eva Martinez she has passed the email onto The Road Network Condition Team who deal with sign and line maintenance.
- East Neuk First Responders email regarding Gillian's visit in August was sent to Willie Rennie with Wendy Chamberlain & First Responders copied in, Wendy Chamberlain is currently experiencing exceptionally high volumes of casework. Ultimately, she will aim to respond to all Constituents Casework as a priority.
- There is a forthcoming Public Consultation relevant to Public Counter Opening hours for Police Scotland in Fife. There is no planned change to Policing provision in Fife and there are **no Police Station closures**.

CURRENT PUBLIC COUNTER PROVISION	
Dunfermline	24 hours 7 days
Cowdenbeath	0700 - midnight 7 days
Dalgety Bay	0900 - 1700 Mon - Fri
Kirkcaldy	24 hours 7 days
Glenrothes	0700 - midnight 7 days
Levenmouth	0700 - midnight 7 days
Cupar	0700 - midnight 7 days
St Andrews	0900 - 1700 Mon - Fri

PROPOSED PUBLIC COUNTER PROVISION	
Dunfermline	0800 - 0000 7 days
Cowdenbeath	0900 - 1700 Mon - Fri
Dalgety Bay	CLOSED
Kirkcaldy	0800 - 0000 7 days
Glenrothes	0700 - 1800 Mon-Fri
Levenmouth	0800 - 2200 7 days
Cupar	0900 - 1700 Mon-Fri
St Andrews	0900 - 1700 Mon - Fri

[Primary Counters – 7 day opening]

- The survey will be published on **1st November 2022** follow link at [Public Counter Opening Hours: Fife Division](#)
- Boundary Commission for Scotland’s consultation on its Revised Proposals of UK Parliament constituencies. Further information can be found on the Commission’s website <https://www.bcomm-scotland.independent.gov.uk/reviews/2023-review-ukparliament-constituencies> there are no changes for Fife.
- On behalf of the PCC LL will lay the wreath at the Church on Remembrance Sunday.

TREASURER’S REPORT: MW reported there is £1,803.46 in the main account and there is £6,062.56 in the fundraising account with the exception of £3,991.26 belonging to the former Pittenweem in Bloom.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS – MW reported the lights on the tree had been inspected and new tree lights were on order (£541.99). A discussion took place regarding setting up a table with mulled wine and home baking in the High Street when the lights are switched on. **LL** is to find out what permission is needed from **FC**.

FORMER PITTENWEEM IN BLOOM – MW has a file with names of people interested in looking after the planters, a resident has been in contact regarding taking care of a planter. There is to be a meeting held sometime in the new year with those who are interested. An advert has been posted on the Pittenweem Community Council Face Book page and in the Notice Board advertising the sale of the hanging baskets and anyone interested in looking after a planter.

NTH UPDATE – Annual Members Meeting was held on Wednesday at 7-30 in the hall. The next Car Boot Sale will be held 3rd December. Unfortunately MW was called to the hall recently while it was in use as the toilets had flooded. Dynarod had been called and the blockage was found to be somewhere between the hall and the football pavilion. The blockage was eventually cleared, the cause was a build-up of leaves.

NOTICE BOARDS - PM reported the notice board used for the Library is starting to stick when closing.

UPDATE ON BLACKS FISH-SHED nothing to report may be taken of the agenda.

A.O.B.

Stewart Moreland signed a new member's form as he expressed an interest in joining the committee at a previous meeting.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE NEW TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 8th DECEMBER AT 7pm IN THE NEW TOWN HALL

ABBERRATIONS:

PCC – Pittenweem Community Council, **MW** – Margaret Wardlaw, **LL** – Linda Lauder, **DL** – Duncan Lucas, **RB** – Ruth Brown, **PM** – Peter Mills, **JW** – Jim Wood, **EB** – Evelyn Boyd, **DS** – David Stutchfield.

Cllr. FC – Council Fiona Corps, **Cllr.SD** – Councillor Sean Dillon,
Cllr. AH – Councillor Alycia Hayes.
FC – Fife Council, **MUP** – Multi Use Path, **SUP** – Shared Used Path,
NTH – New Town Hall.