

**TIM BRETT'S REPORT**  
**LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Tuesday 6 February 2018**

**1. Matters Arising from the Meeting on 5 December**

- a. **Tutor Wood Path** – I received an email from Martin Stephen, Station Facilities Compliance Officer, to advise that the path is owned by the MOD but the only element of ground maintenance is tree maintenance. There are no formal agreements in place to maintain the path. I have received a further response from Ranald Strachan in relation to this and have passed this on to the base.
- b. **Pharmacy Update** – I am waiting to hear from Dr Elliot, NHS Fife's Medical Director, regarding the position of a possible pharmacy in Balmullo and any implications for the pharmacy service in Leuchars.
- c. **Garages at the back of Henderson Terrace** - I am still waiting for signs to be put up asking people not to block access to the garages. This was also raised at the recent Leuchars Primary School Parent Council meeting.

**2. New Items**

**Proposed Double Yellow Lines, Main Street** – I have received details from Colin Stirling of proposed double yellow lines opposite the shops in Main Street that would prevent parking on the white hatched area. I would welcome the Community Council's views on this.

- 3. **Leuchars Church Update** – Work is scheduled to be completed by the 9 March. The General Trustees of the Church of Scotland have given a grant for the repair and redecoration of the interior walls.
- 4. **Potholes, Leuchars to Guardbridge** – A number of people have raised concerns about the condition of the above road. Kevin Smith in Transportation has advised that he is assessing the road for minor patching and full resurfacing over various sections in 2018/19.
- 5. **Leuchars Railway Station** – I am not sure whether the new drop-off zone has been provided?
- 6. **Food Waste Bags** – are going on sale in all libraries across Fife with effect from 5 February at a cost of £1.30 per roll of 25 bags.
- 7. **Police Matters -**
  - a. **House Breakings in North East Fife** over the weekend of the 17 to 29 January. The police have issued advice to all households in relation to garages and sheds.
  - b. **Consultation is taking place** on the 2018/19 Annual Policing Plan.  
<https://consult.scotland.police.uk/consultation/annual-police-plan/>
  - c. **Fife Division, Summary Performance Report** for the period April to June 2017 has been made available.



8. **Tay Bridgehead Forum of Community Councils** - A networking development event is to be held on 24 March in the Burnside Hall, Balmullo, from 10.00am to 4.00pm. All Community Council members are invited to attend. Further information will be provided.
9. **Winter Roads Issues** – Cllr Tepp and I met Sara Wilson, Lead Professional – Maintenance Operations for the north area on 22 January to discuss the removal of grit bins and the gritting of pavements. This follows a briefing to Elected Members on 20 December.
10. **Recycling Centres** – The Environment Protective Services and Community Safety Committee agreed that recycling centres in North East Fife should close for two days a week with effect from 2 April. We are awaiting details, the Ladybank Recycling Centre is not affected by this.
11. **Street Nameplates** – 17 Street Nameplates are being replaced within the Ward. Including one on Main Street in Leuchars.
12. **Bikeability** – I have written to Lucy Jess at the Primary School and understand that more adult volunteers are needed for this programme.

#### **Items for Information**

I would be pleased to provide information or copies of any of the following items to anyone who would like to see them:

- A. Eden Estuary Newsletters for January and February 2018.
- B. CLD Funding Bulletin for February 2018.
- C. North Fife Cycling February Report.
- D. Play on Wheels – the Dolphin Junior Youth Club, Tayport on 1 March at the Shanwell Road play area from 6.00pm to 7.30pm.
- E. I attended a meeting of the North East Fife Area Leadership team on 26 January.
- F. The new Housing Manager for North East Fife is Helen Wilkie.
- G. Generations Working Together – I attended a meeting of the above group in the Burgh Chambers on 29 January.
- H. Polish Paths to Freedom – I attended the opening of the above exhibition in the Rothes Halls on 24 January and would commend this to anyone who is in Glenrothes.
- I. Health and Social Care Services appeared to cope reasonably well over the holiday period but demand was significantly higher than predicted.
- J. Marks & Spencer Energy Fund – Opportunities for Community Groups to pre-register for 2018 funding.
- K. Fife Health and Social Care Partnership are consulting on a new Fife Carers Strategy.
- L. Fife Digital Directory – Details of where you can get free access to computers and the internet.
- M. Fife Council Annual Performance Report is now available on Fife Direct.  
[https://fifedirect.org.uk/uploadfiles/publications/c64\\_ScrutinyPPRFullReportFINAL.pdf](https://fifedirect.org.uk/uploadfiles/publications/c64_ScrutinyPPRFullReportFINAL.pdf)
- N. Group Support and Funding Portal at [www.fifedirect.org.uk/communitygroup/supportandfunding](http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/communitygroup/supportandfunding).
- O. SAMH are running a Tools for Living Course at the CLD Learning Centre in Cupar.
- P. Educational Pavilion in Tentsmuir National Nature Reserve – I have written in support of the funding application for the above facility.

- Q. Disabilities Fife are offering support for young carers between the ages of 8 – 24 years.
- R. New Scottish Planning Legislation has been published.
- S. Allotments –if anyone would be interested in having an allotment , they should register their interest with Peter Duncan, the Council's allotment officer or on Fife Direct.
- T. Public Access Defibrillators-I have received a briefing on work being carried out in Fife to promote the use of Public Access Defibrillators(PAD's) .
- U. Tay Road Bridge Park and Ride Facility – I received an update on the above from Jane Findlay in Transportation who confirmed that the project is part of Transport Scotland's Strategic Transport Review and is also a possible project in the Tay Cities Deal.
- V. All councillors received a briefing on Fly Tipping on the 5<sup>th</sup> January .
- W. NHS Fife –the Director of Public Health's Annual report 2017 is available to anyone who would like to see it.

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