

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars, 5 April 2011

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Trish Graham (Secretary), Joyce Edmonston, Jim Finnie, Hugh Moffatt, Cllr Ron Caird, J Nicholl, Cllr Tim Brett, Susan Budd (Community Development Manager), two residents from Pitcairn Park.

| Item | Action Point |
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| 1. Chair's opening remarks: CF welcomed everyone to the meeting including two members of the public (Pitcairn Park residents). | |
| 2. Apologies: Mark Sharp (Treasurer), Dave Baxter, Cllr Maggie Taylor, Wg Cdr P O'Donnell | |
| 3. Approval of minutes 01.03.11 RAF issues, item 4d: Bruce Crawford, MSP is not a member of the Residents Action Force (he helped form it only). AOCB, item 11: a bus shelter is needed on Main Street (rather than there are problems with the bus shelter). | |
| 4. RAF issues: a) Overgrown land Station Road: FS Mitchell is still speaking to DCRE about the 'grey box'. b) Citizens Advice Bureau: sessions will start 13.04.11 (10.00am-1.00pm) in the new Community Centre. c) RAF Forum: next meeting will probably be 9.6.11, not 8.6.11 as previously advised. | |
| 5. Police Issues: a) Cllr Caird and Carroll Finnie attended last community engagement meeting. | |
| 6. Residents Action Force (RAF): Several 'Keep the RAF in Leuchars' banners have been put up in the area. Members had recently visited 10 Downing Street to hand in the petition and felt that it had been a successful day. The school is planning to do something to show support. There have been several celebrity endorsements against closure and these have been reported in the media. Former Station Commander Sir Peter Bairstow is lending his support. Scottish Enterprise has produced a document exploring three possible scenarios: the Base being kept as it is; complete closure; and the Army replacing the RAF. Billy Anderson will be giving a free concert in the Henderson Hall on 11.4.11 in support of the campaign - CF asked for donations for the raffle for the evening. | |
| 7. Matters arising: a. <u>Doocot Field Development</u> : no further update. b. <u>Meadow Road</u> : double yellow lines still to be painted. c. <u>Leuchars Surgery</u> : Dr Johnston finished at the surgery 31.03.11. d. <u>Feature Wall</u> : No further progress as B Mudie is on holiday. | |

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| <p>Correspondence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Billy Anderson concert 11.4.11: call for donations for the raffle e-mail from Carroll Finnie. 2. Unison Scottish Community Conference 14.05.11. e-mail from Carroll Finnie 4.4.11 3. Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils. Linda Purdie 14.03.11 4. Update on the multi path from Balmullo. E-mail from I McNair 16.03.11 5. Local Community Planning Consultation. E-mail from L Purdie 2.3.11 [letter from S Grimmond dated 28.02.11] 6. A92 meeting 19.04.11. Colin Nikolic 7. Tay Estuary Forum 15.04.11, West Park Conference Centre. Booking form. E-mail 30.03.11 8. Meeting 23.03.11, School 5, St Salvator's Quadrangle STAND (St Andrews Against Cuts) 9. General Hospitals & Maternity Services Project Feb Newsletter. E-mail from Nicola White 21.03.11 10. Fife Elderly Forum Spring Newsletter. E-mail 14.03.11 11. TAYPlan. Proposed Strategic Development Plan. Briefing meeting St Andrews 16.05.11. 12. Beautiful Fife 2011 application form 13. Eden Estuary Site of Special Scientific Interest: copy of reviewed citation. Letter 24.03.11 Scottish Natural Heritage. | |
| <p>AOCB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. JE: the polytunnel at the school is ripped and is likely to get worse in bad weather. CF to contact the headteacher about maintenance of the polytunnel. 2. Pitcairn Park residents: non residents are taking the parking spaces and residents find they are unable to park. This is compounded by visitors to Mears Court as they do not use the allotted spaces. It was suggested that the 'residents only' sign outside Mears Court is removed to encourage visitors to park there. Residents might like to speak to PC Gavin Rae as well. Cllr Brett will speak to Gordon Hughes to see if anything can be done. 3. JN: reported that a lot of rubbish is accumulating on the site at the entrance to Meadow Road. It was suggested that the CC write to the owner to see if he would clear the rubbish. 4. TG: Asked if a 'Keep Scotland Tidy' day ought to be arranged. There were no dates when everyone could do this. TG to enquire if equipment is available to use on an ad hoc basis rather than a particular day. | <p>CF</p> <p>TG</p> <p>TG</p> |

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 4 May 2011 at 7.00pm in
The Community Centre
Members of the public are welcome to attend**

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