

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars 12 April 2016

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Jill Russell (Acting Secretary), Jim Finnie, Alisdair Gilbert, Cllr Maggie Taylor, Samantha Cullen, Trish Downie, Lucy Jess (Headteacher, Leuchars PS), Susan Budd (Army representative), Elspeth Paterson (Chair, Guardbridge Community Council), members of the Public: Jean Nicoll, Athole Stewart, Michael Paterson

Speaker: Brian Ritchie – Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Item	Action Point
1. Chair's opening remarks: CF welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2. Apologies: Trish Graham, Mark Sharp, Cllr Tim Brett, Cllr Bill Connor, Dave Baxter, Veronica Taylor, Steve Simpson	
3. Approval of minutes of 1 March 2015 4d. Suzanne Scobie not Anne Scobie 4e. Could instead of do 6e. Scottish Water	
4. Army issues: a. A successful Easter extravaganza was held. 600 eggs were given away in 7 minutes. b. The request for a coffee machine was not feasible however a kettle could be provided if wished. This was declined. c. Youth club is starting on 25 th April but will only run for Primary 1 – 3 4.30– 6pm. Post meeting note: The Youth club is now open Tuesday,	

<p>Wednesday and Thursday for all ages. Times etc. can be viewed in the Community Centre.</p> <p>d. Open days are to be held for Leuchars, Balmullo and Guardbridge Schools – P4, P5 and P6 to visit the camp.</p> <p>e. JR asked if something can be done about soldiers running past the school just before 9 am while the road is busy with school traffic. SB advised she would check to see if the route could be changed.</p> <p>Post meeting note: CF received e mail from SB saying other plans have been put in place.</p>	
<p>5. Police issues</p> <p>None – no police in attendance.</p>	
<p>6. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service</p> <p>BR gave a very interesting talk on fire prevention in homes. He is the LALO (Local area liaison officer) and is available to visit residents in their homes to give advice.</p>	
<p>7. Matters arising:</p> <p>6(d) No comments (f) As written</p> <p>a. Junction Garden – AG informed the C/C that they are still waiting for the Air Officer for Scotland to visit and hopefully visit the RAF stone situated within the wall. JF completed the filling of the wall and planted it up with heathers and polyanthus. AG to polish the stone.</p> <p>b. CF asked that members please answer the emails she sends out.</p> <p>c. Doocot field – no update.</p> <p>d. Beautiful Fife – Cllr Connor will arrange for pear trees that were planted last year to be checked and if necessary replaced.</p> <p>e. Cllr Taylor will forward a form for applying to the Parish Trust Fund which has been given in previous years, however it will only be given for a project in the village.</p> <p>Post meeting note: CF forwarded form to MS with the suggestion that picnic tables and chairs are purchased for Junction Gardens.</p>	<p>AG All BC MT</p>
<p>8. Fife Council issues and action points</p> <p>a. Early morning patrols have been ongoing last week and this week in Warwick Close, School Hill and Pitlithie Road due to dog fouling issues in these areas. It will continue next week and as necessary.</p> <p>b. Balmullo Pharmacy; This is now under the 30 days consultation period. The PPC will then convene.</p> <p>c. Eden Centre at Guardbridge is closed until further notice because of pipework.</p> <p>d. Car parking charges: The £1.00 charge, that will come into force when the new car park is built, cannot be changed as it has been agreed by committee. LCC feel it is too cheap and will only encourage people out with the area using it.</p>	
<p>9. School issues</p> <p>a. LJ informed the CC that the roof work is now complete and there had been little disturbance during the work.</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. The Easter Service was held in St Athernase Church and conducted by Rev John Duncan (new minister). c. 5th May elections: voting will be in the school which has an in service day. 	
<p>10. Correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fife Consortium March newsletter. Email Karen Taylor 1.3.16 2. Tay Estuary annual conference 22.04.16 at West Park Conference Centre, Dundee. Email Laura Booth 2.3.16 3. Response from Lynne Hamilton, Fife Director of Public Health regarding Biomass emissions. Email Cllr Brett 3.3.16 4. Complaint from a villager about the military police coming through the village. Email from C Finnie 3.3.16 5. Potential project funding. Email from K Jackson 4.3.16 6. Suggestion to ask St Andrews Univ to donate to the Leuchars CC because of inconvenience and extra cost of local commuters. Email to Cllr Brett 4.3.16 7. Tentsmuir visitor car park works early March-early May. Email Cllr Brett 7.3.16 8. Overhead line hampering progress of new car park at Leuchars station: Email Cllr Brett 8.3.16 9. Regional support and advice session for It's Your Neighbourhood (Keep Scotland Beautiful). Email K Jackson 11.03.16 10. Vandalism at Junction Gardens. Email C Finnie 13-15.03.16 11. Beautiful Scotland and It's Your Neighbourhood March newsletter. Email K Jackson 21.03.16. 12. Change of venue for CC meetings – moving to large hall area in the community centre and change of time to 7.15pm. Email C Finnie 18.03.16 13. Paper for discussion about new station car park at NE Fife Area committee on 23.03.16. Email Cllr Brett 22.03.16 14. Fife Cares Spring newsletter. Email D Birrell 23.03.16 15. Request for ideas for this year's hanging baskets. Email C Finnie 23.03.16 16. Message to communities from DCC Livingstone. Email C Finnie 24.03.16 17. Grow and Learn newsletter. Email K Jackson 29.03.16 18. New NE Fife & Dundee service for females affected by domestic violence available in Tayport. Email C Finnie 29.03.16 19. Scottish Gardeners Forum Spring newsletter. Email K Jackson 30.03.16 20. Update on Balmullo pharmacy application. Email C Finnie 30.03.16 21. Eden Centre closed 30-31.03.16. Email R Strachan 30.03.16 22. Eden Centre April news. Email R Strachan 01.04.16 23. Double yellow lines now in place on School Hill. Email C Finnie 19.03.16 24. Community resilience bulletin. Email E Palmer 29.03.16. 	
<p>A.O.C.B</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. 'The Cakery' has asked that their business plan be returned. They also asked their thanks be passed on to Cllr Brett for his help. Post meeting note: CF has forwarded the business plan to JR who is on the board of 'The Cakery'. b. CF has been sent wild flower seeds from Kew Gardens and would like to get them planted in Junction Garden as soon as help is available. CF stated that help is required for planting the tubs and barrels once they are delivered. Maintenance and watering of plants also required. Watering is done 3-4 times a week by JF but as this can be a dangerous task, due to traffic on Station Road, he requires someone to assist him. CF spoke about the amount of time that is required on this and Junction Garden and if no help is forthcoming this will be the last year she and JF will be doing it. LJ offered help 	<p>CF</p> <p>All</p>

<p>with some of the school pupils. SS has offered to cut the grass at Junction Garden as will DB.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">c. CF has informed the Scottish Badgers Association about the dead badger that was on the grass verge at the entrance to the village.d. Cllr Brett informed CF that the University are proposing a donation to the village for the upheaval during the roadworks in Guardbridge. CF spoke about the structure that a few years back the C/C tried to get money for – a picture of structure will be presented at the next meeting. The cost of the structure including clocks will be in excess of £10.000.e. White lines have now been painted on Station Road at the junction of Toll Road.f. CPR Training on 5th April which was well attended although it was disappointing that that the Service families did not take up the places they had booked through CF.g. EP thanked CF for the invitation to attend the Leuchars Community Council meeting.	
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NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 3rd May 2016 at 7.15pm in The Community Centre.
Members of the public are welcome to attend

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