

LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars 6 October 2015

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Trish Graham (Secretary), Mark Sharp (Treasurer), Jim Finnie, Joyce Edmonston, Jill Russell, Jean Nicoll, Martin Kinsey (Station Staff Officer), Alisdair Gilbert, Cllr Bill Connor, Cllr Tim Brett, Sam Docherty, T Downie, V Taylor, S Simpson

Item	Action Point
1. Chair's opening remarks: CF welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2. Apologies: Dave Baxter, Cllr Maggie Taylor	
3. Approval of minutes of 4 August 2015 JE proposed the minutes as accurate; JF seconded.	
4. Army issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Placement of the RAF stone in Junction Gardens: the Army can put the stone in place. CF and AG will liaise about this. Air Officer Scotland will visit to mark this once it is place. b. All Army personnel are now in place, although several RMPs will join leading up to Christmas. c. Cllr Brett asked MK how many families are here and if there were any plans for the empty houses. MK is not aware of the number of families as personnel are mainly single nor of any plans for the houses but he could confirm they will remain empty until at least March 2016. d. Infrastructure: Any significant changes to the infrastructure are on hold; only minor contracts/work is being carried out. e. CF gave MK a copy of the RAF leaflet about community evacuation in the event of an emergency and asked if the Army might produce something similar. f. The Youth Club is opening again in November. g. OAP Xmas Dinner: SB is still investigating whether the Army will be hosting this and will let Mary Mann/CF know the outcome. h. CF thanked MK for her invitation to the 'Beating to Quarters' event she had attended, which she had thoroughly enjoyed. i. The 20mph zone by the main gate may be installed before the next financial year. Two speed bumps will be installed. j. The Fife Defence Group meetings have now stopped. 	<div>CF/AG</div> <div>MK</div> <div>SB</div>
5. Police issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The planter has been knocked over on Station Road and stones taken out of the nearby wall. CF has written to the police about the vandalism. b. Cllr Connor will ask for more police patrols as youths have been seen drinking in the village. 	BC

<p>6. Matters arising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Double yellow lines at the junction of School Hill/Pitlethie Road. The request will need to go to planning and is 'in the system'. b. Trees by the bus stop in St Bunyans Place will be pruned as Fife Council will not cut them down. c. War Memorial: potential removal to Junction Gardens. Contact with FC conservation officer to be made. d. Ray Kelly's (Falkland pharmacist) application for a pharmacy at Balmullo is still at consultation stage. e. Ponding by the bus stop next to St Bunyans Place. Fife Council is still looking for a solution to this as it is more complex than originally thought. 	<p>TG</p>
<p>7. Fife Council issues and action points</p> <p>Cllr Connor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Leuchars Station: the new car park is planned to be open Summer 2016. Charges are still to be confirmed, however, there is a proposal to charge £1/day b. Guardbridge Pipeline: St Andrews University will be hosting a meeting for interested parties to discuss/ask questions about the installation of the pipeline. Guardbridge CC will also be holding its own open event at Guardbridge Bowling Club , 7.00pm 7.10.15. c. Tay Road Bridge: a new glass reinforced plastic surface to the footpath is being constructed. Work will last until November. d. Community Sports Scheme: grants of up to £2000 are available to enable grassroots sports clubs and organisations to obtain certain kit. Priority will be given to projects that are creative, far-reaching and will leave a long-term impact once completed. e. B945 St Michaels to Tayport: Phase 2 and 3 will begin in November. This will involve road closures and diversions from Craigie Farm to Kirkton Barns junctions f. Cllr Connor will send CF information on a local genealogy course. <p>Cllr Brett</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> g. Fife Council have agreed to take 140 refugees over the next 4 years. They will be based in central Fife. h. FifePlan: the Reporter will be looking at this in 2016. i. Young people on the Community Council: this is being looked at again. j. Superfast broadband: Cllr Brett will see if it is true that Leuchars will only be getting this in certain parts of the village. k. Fife Council, along with other councils, is hoping for some of the £1bn that will be set aside for infrastructure development. l. Police Scotland: a new disclosure scheme for domestic abuse is in place. m. Craigie Road sand on road will be cleared. n. Guardbridge pipeline: the expected major closures have been postponed to mid-Feb – early April 2016. o. Cllr Brett will find out more about the sinking manholes by the BT box on the corner of the entrance to Hampden Close. p. Speed checks are being carried out through St Michaels. 	<p>BC</p> <p>TB</p> <p>TB</p>

8.	<p>Correspondence:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Scottish Resilient Communities Conference 23.9.15, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh. Email from Bill Welsh 4.8.15 2. Leuchars Summer Slam event timetable. Email from WPC S Martin 10.8.15 3. Community Justice Event 21.10.15, COSLA, Edinburgh. Email from S Shedden, SG 11.8.15 4. Fairer Scotland Community Council Event 16.9.15 Glasgow. Email from Bill Welsh 13.8.15 5. Libraries Consultation 14.8.15-6.11.15. Email from Fife Council 13.8.15 6. Invitation to Fife Access Forum Annual Seminar 6.10.15 Glenrothes. Email from Julie Robertson 14.08.15 7. Upcoming Justice events. Email from Policy Holyrood 18.08.15. 8. Rural Communities: the next steps for growth 28.10.15 Perth. Email from S Shedden SG 19.8.15. 9. Community Energy 6.10.15 Perth. Email 20.08.15 C Flannigan SG. 10. Locality Fund application from CLD – Approved. Email Cllr Brett 20.08.15 11. Accessing EU Funding in Scotland: practical training to help you obtain funding, Edinburgh 16.09.15. Email from T Simmons. 12. Community Planning 1.9.15 Edinburgh. Email from Holyrood Events 24.08.15 13. Temporary traffic restorations St Andrews University heating pipeline installation. Email from Cllr Brett 24.08.15. 14. Diversity Week Fife 2015. Email from Fife Voluntary Action 25.08.15. 15. Kincardine Bridge expansion joint repair commencing 3.9.15. Email from F Roberston Amey. 16. Fife Access Forum. Request for community council representative. Email from Bill Welsh 31.8.15 17. Phase 2 carriageway resurfacing on B945 to Tayport. Email P Suttie 3.9.15 18. Request for members of the public to join the Administrative Data Research Centre (ADRC). Email from C Porteous, Edinburgh university. 4.9.15. 19. Opportunities for Women 23.09.15 COSLA Edinburgh. Email from Holyrood events. 20. Fife Local Development – Reporter appointed. Email from J Whittle 8.9.15 21. Your Place, Your Views survey. www.fifedirect.org.uk/yourplace 10.9.15-23.10.15. Email from J Whittle 8.9.15 22. Double yellow lines proposal for Schoolhill/Pitlethie Road junction. Email from C Finnie 9.9.15. 23. Digital Engagement for Community Councils workshops around Scotland (Forfar is the nearest). 	
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<p>Email from K Bell 9.9.15</p> <p>24. Wall in situ at Junction Gardens. Email from C Finnie 11.9.15 & 16.9.15.</p> <p>25. Eform now available to report unauthorised developments to Fife Council. Email from M Bennett, Fife Council 16.09.15.</p> <p>26. Engaging with Planning – Event Feedback and Action Points. Email from M Bennett, Fife Council 22.09.15</p> <p>27. SESPlan main issues report consultation closes 30.09.15. Email from Fife Devplan 24.09.15 and J Whittle 25.09.15.</p> <p>28. 5th Reviews of Electoral Arrangements. Consultation ends 22.10.15</p> <p>29. Revised details of A919 closure Feb-Apr 2016. Cllr Brett 29.09.15.</p> <p>30. Fife Council Cultural Consortium Oct Newsletter. Email from K Taylor 2.10.15.</p> <p>31. Green networks (interconnected networks of woodlands etc). FC looking to develop a database of projects/programmes. Email from K Jackson 5.10.15.</p> <p>32. Floral Enhancement Grant. Applications to be in by 30.10.15. Email from K Jackson 5.10.15.</p> <p>33. Community Council Renewal of Insurance Policy 1.4.15-31.03.15. Policy has been renewed. Email from D Cassells 5.10.15.</p> <p>34. Eden Estuary Newsletter Oct 2015. Email from R Strachan 1.10.15.</p> <p>NE Fife Area Committee Agenda & Papers 26.08.15 NE Planning Committee Agenda & Papers for 9.9.15 and 7.10.15</p>	
<p>A.O.C.B</p> <p>a. CF: reported that the numbers at the primary school are back up to what they were two years ago (211 children, plus 32 in the nursery).</p> <p>b. JR: there is a ceilidh at the school on 9.10.15.</p> <p>c. CF/JR: Checking the defibrillator - JR will deputise for CF when CF is on holiday.</p> <p>d. CF: asked what everyone would like to see planted around the RAF stone in Junction Gardens. It was agreed JE will buy heathers; JF will get more soil; JR will find out about getting horse manure from the stables.</p> <p>e. MS: asked about the recent Beautiful Fife award. TG to get the feedback/scores from Fife Council.</p> <p>f. MS: reported that the CC's books have been audited.</p> <p>g. Cllr Connor passed on Tayport CC's thanks for the recently donated boats from CF.</p> <p>h. The three members of the public who attended were thanked for attending. There was some discussion about the rules for co-opting members to the Community Council. Cllr Brett will find out more.</p> <p>i. Hedges on Main Street need cutting. Cllr Brett will report this.</p>	<p>JE/JF/JR</p> <p>TG</p> <p>TB</p>

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 3 November August 2015 at 7.00pm in The Community Centre.

Members of the public are welcome to attend