**LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held in the Community Centre, Leuchars, 1 July 2014**

Present: Carroll Finnie (Chair), Trish Graham (Secretary), Mark Sharp (Treasurer), Jim Finnie, Dave Baxter, Jill Russell, Wg Cdr Neville Clayton, Flt Sgt Simon Mitchell

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| Item | Action Point |
| 1. **Chair’s opening remarks**:   Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. |  |
| 1. **Apologies:**   Cllr Bill Connor, Cllr Tim Brett, Cllr Maggie Taylor, WO1 Alan O’Loughlin, Joyce Edmonston |  |
| 1. **Approval of minutes of 3 June 2014** 2. Point 4(d) RAAF should be RAuxAF 3. Point 6(a) The CC are opposed to Network Rail taking over ownership of the station car park. 4. Point 7(d) Should be Melville Woods, Ladybank not Dunfermline. |  |
| 1. **RAF/Army issues:**   a. On track for drawdown as planned. Six Sqdn has relocated.  b. Flying support for the new Qu Elizabeth aircraft carrier on 4.7.14; Commonwealth Games on 23.07.14; and Edinburgh Tattoo late July/early Aug.  c. Party in the Park at Earlshall Castle: unfortunately, the weather was very against the event and attendance was not as high as it could have been.  d. CF reported that a 7.5 ton truck (likely Army vehicle) had come through the village recently. NC will issue a remand.  e. CF spoke of the regeneration of the church and asked NC if the RAF might consider making a donation towards an installation to commemorate the RAF’s presence in the village. It was agreed CF would write to the Station Commander about this. |  |
| 1. **Police issues**   None |  |
| 1. **Matters arising:** 2. Fife Council is making a bid to Transport Scotland in August regarding funding to improve car parking at the station. The CC is strongly opposed to Fife Council handing over car parking to Network Rail. 3. Drumoig development. Planning application to be submitted at the end of July 4. The sinking manhole cover on Main Street has been repaired. 5. Handrail for near 28-40 Main St: The Council are waiting on a blacksmith for this - expect a delay. 6. Henderson Terrace dip in road: ongoing, still needs to be repaired. 7. Strip of grass at Rosebank Park. Need to confirm this has been cut. 8. The half barrels at the Olde Hotel have been moved across the road. 9. TG is still to write to the War Memorial Conservation Officer. | TG |
| 1. **Fife Council issues and action points**   An update was provided by Cllr Taylor to CF before the meeting.   1. The Commonwealth Games baton was not rerouted past RAF Leuchars. 2. New Madras school: This is now subject to a judicial review. 3. Heavy lorries on School Hill: a vehicle classification survey is to be carried out. 4. Mears Court. It is confirmed this is classified as sheltered housing |  |
| 1. **Correspondence:** 2. Free workshop on community owned renewable energies. 22.08.14 Hartwood, N Lanarkshire. Email Scene Consulting 3.6.14 3. Sustainable St Andrews Fair. Town Hall St Andrews, 10.10.14 (11.00-5.00pm) and 11.10.14 (10.00-3.30pm). Email St Andrews Environmental Network 3.6.14 4. SG Review of Section 36 Consenting Processes under the Electricity Act 1989 (re onshore electricity generation). Email Frances Pacitti, SG 3.6.14 5. Proposed bridge resurfacing at Guardbridge 2-18 Aug 2014. Only one lane open during that tme. Email Alistair Williamson 11.6.14. 6. IncludeMe! (advocacy for vulnerable adults). Would like to talk at a CC meeting about its services. Email Fiona Sword 12.06.14 7. WW1 commemorative service Dunfermline Abbey 31.08.14. Email L Birrell 12.06.14 8. Fife Voluntary Action training and learning update 17.06.14, 24.06.14 9. National Planning Framework 3/Scottish Planning Policy – publication of finalised documents. 10. WWI Drumhead Service, Edinburgh Castle 10.08.14. Two tickets available reply by 11.7.14. Email L Bissett 25.06.14 11. Short alcohol survey for the Fife Alcohol report. Email Dr M Hannah, Convenor of Fife Licensing Forum 30.06.14.   NE Fife Area Committee Agenda and Reports for 18.06.14 |  |
| **A.O.C.B**  a. JF raised the issue of storage for the water bowser and trailer and the need for an additional lock-up. It was agreed to contact Kingdom Housing Association to see if it has an empty garage in the vicinity of Warwick Close.  b. CF: JE had contacted CF regarding (a) maintenance of the roundel outside 16/17 Pitcairn Park. JE thinks this responsibility for these lies with the Council; (b) The hedge in front of the lockups in Pitcairn Park is blocking the pavement; (c) Hedges in front of 26, 28 and 40 Main Street need attention. TG to contact I Barbour about these issues.  c. DB: As Fife Council cannot help with the maintenance of Junction Gardens, DB will investigate prices from landscape gardening companies. | TG |

**NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, 5 August 2014 at 7.00pm in The Community Centre**

**Members of the public are welcome to attend**