

Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

Agenda - November 2000

1. Attendance

Apologies: Donald Macgregor

1.1. Resignation

David Kinnen has resigned from community council due to pressure of other commitments.

2. Minutes of October 2000

(read for accuracy in matters of substance - harangue the secretary for minor (spelling etc) errors outwith the meeting)

3. Presentations

(For anyone wishing to address the meeting on a matter relevant to St Andrews. Please contact the Secretary or Chair before the meeting. Priority will be given to those who have been invited to speak or have given advance notice)

3.1. Community Policing

4. Fife Councillors

5. Matters Arising from previous meetings

5.1. Police Community Representatives forum

We are invited to send a delegate to this consultation forum at Cupar Police Station, 7pm Wed 15 November.

"...you will have the opportunity of being updated on current Force and Divisional Initiatives as well as giving my Management Team an insight into your perspectives and local priorities for preventing crime and the fear of crime. I am pleased to advise you that Mr Kenneth McInnes, the Force's Deputy Chief Constable, will be in attendance and looks forward to having the opportunity of speaking to local Community representatives."

Who can attend?

5.2. Attendance record

For information

- (Oct 9.1) table in appendix A from the approved minutes (except October 00 of course).

Correction:

the basis for declaring a 'casual vacancy' in community council according to the Scheme of Administration is item 8.1

"(c) unreasonable non-attendance by an elected member at meetings for a period of six months;"

not six *meetings* as stated last month.

5.3. Meeting with Iain Smith MSP

For information -

Iain Smith has written to let us know that he suddenly finds himself with more free time, making the follow-up meeting mentioned in September rather easier to arrange now.

5.4. Leuchars - Edinburgh 8.17am service

For information - John Yellowlees, Scotrail's External Relations Manager replies to our letter

"We are now investigating scope for reinstating the service from May 2001"

5.5. Membership of the Tourism Management Plan working groups

For information

- Archie Jamieson has provided this information as requested last month (Oct 3.2.5.). Appendix D.

5.6. Common Good Fund

For Information

- Iain Smith MSP has forwarded a reply from Stuart Allan, Head of Law & Admin, Fife Council regarding funding for the Byre Theatre. In area of our concerns Mr Allan says

"The proposals in respect of the Council's support involved drawing on funds from the St. Andrews Common Good Fund and the Donald and Margaret Ross Bequest and were discussed at length with St. Andrews councillors. The matter was then put before the Council's Policy and Resources Committee. The support package was agreed unanimously by the Committee and the Committee's decision was subsequently approved by the full Council.

"The Council thereafter took steps to explain the position as fully as they could - given certain matters of commercial confidentiality involved - and a meeting was arranged involving elected members and representatives of the Community Council on 7th April. There was a very full and constructive discussion at that meeting which I think was very helpful. I certainly understood the Community Council to have appreciated having had the opportunity of discussing matters with the Council's representatives."

Iain Smith has written further seeking clarification of which committee should properly take decisions relating to the Common Good Fund.

6. New Business

6.1. Problems at City Road

A resident of City Road has written to ask our assistance and backing in dealing with:

(i) inconsiderate and dangerous parking in Alexandra Court, potentially making access impossible to emergency vehicles and certainly blocking refuse collection vehicles, resulting in refuse going uncollected for several weeks on occasion.

(ii) The proliferating wheelie bins on the east side of City Road. These are often overflowing and thus present a health hazard as well as being unsightly so near the West Port.

Police, Health and Cleansing have all been contacted about these problems but seem unable to act.

(I have copied the letter to the Police and Local Office for comment - PL)

6.2. Census 2001

Next year (on 29th April) is the ten-yearly census.

Alastair Robertson, the Census Area Manager for Fife, has offered to come and speak to community council about it in January 2001.

7. Reports from Officers

7.1. Chair

7.1.1. Students' Association licensing hours - Appendix B - agreed statement of the meeting

7.2. Treasurer

7.3. Secretary

7.3.1. NEF Healthcare Co-operative (Oct 6.3.) Dr Bell regrets that progress has not been as fast as he had expected, but hopes to speak to us in December.

7.3.2. January '01 meeting date

7.3.3. Vacancy

- Does Community Council wish to take steps fill the vacancy occurring due to the resignation above?

8. Committees

8.1. Planning

8.2. Recreation

Appendix C

8.3. Millennium

8.3.1. Millennium Ceilidh – owing to the efforts of Murdo Macdonald it is now likely that a second Ceilidh will be possible on Hogmanay.

8.3.2. Photographic Collection – one or two responses to the appeal are now on their way, but more will be needed if the result is to be meaningful. Could members of the Council encourage organisations to which they belong that it would worth while taking part?

9 AOCB

If members intend to raise items under AOCB please let the Secretary or Chair know before the meeting: Remember: unless it is urgent, placing items on the agenda for next month's New Business would be more effective....

St Andrews Pothole Watch

List: Potholes (40mm/1.5in) in the road, damaged pavements (20mm/.75in), missing or damaged toby covers, blocked drains, floods, defective streetlights etc.

Identify the location (Street and number on closest house or streetlight for instance).

Hand to Cllr Jane Ann Liston or to Fife Roads Service.

Defect & Location

Appendix A - Attendance Nov 99 - Oct 00

	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Sep	Oct	attend%
Maries E Cassells	a	1	a	1	a	a	1	1	a	a	1	45.45
Ken Crichton	1	1	1	1	1	a	1	1	a	1	1	81.82
Kenneth Fraser	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100.00
Ian Goudie	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100.00
Hugh Gray	-	a	a	a	1	a	1	-	1	-	-	27.27
Barry Joss	a	-	1	a	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	27.27
John Landon	na	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	90.00
Helen M Lawrie	1	a	a	a	1	1	1	1	1	1	a	63.64
Chris Lesurf	1	1	1	1	1	a	a	1	1	a	1	72.73
Pete Lindsay	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	90.91
Dennis H Macdonald	1	1	1	1	a	1	-	1	1	1	a	72.73
Murdo Macdonald	a	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	90.91
Donald Macgregor	1	a	1	a	a	a	1	a	1	a	-	36.36
Lindsay Murray	1	1	1	a	1	1	1	1	a	a	1	72.73
Joseph Peterson	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100.00
Frank G Riddell	1	1	1	a	a	a	1	1	1	a	1	63.64
Archie S Strachan	1	1	1	1	a	1	1	1	1	1	1	90.91
Cynthia M Tero	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100.00
Chris Young	-	1	1	-	1	-	a	1	1	1	1	63.64

1 present

- absent

a absent with apology

na not a member at this date

Appendix B - Association licensing hours

Agreed statement of the meeting arranged by Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council on the matter of student behaviour and loss of some Students Association licence extensions.

Present

Murdo Macdonald - Chair, Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

Bob Thompson - Superintendent, Fife Constabulary

Colin Vincent - Acting Principal, St Andrews University

Andrew Neil - Rector, St Andrews University

Marcus Booth - President, Students Association

Campbell Boyle - Permanent Secretary, Students Association

Hugh Gray - Community Councillor

Laura Van Zyl - Hoteliers Association

Bob Inch - Merchant Association

Max Wolf - Greyfriars Garden Residents Association

Pete Lindsay - Secretary, Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

Observers

Andrew Arbuckle, Fife Councillor

Frank Jensen, Fife Council, East Law & Admin, Clerk to East Area Licensing Board

1. It was a very constructive meeting. All sides agreed that there were real concerns with both problems of behaviour and the loss of the Association's license extension.

2. In some ways this situation has been beneficial as it concentrates minds on the matter of Town/Gown relations and on a determination to improve them.
3. Residents can be assured that the University and the Students Association have disciplinary procedures which will be vigorously applied when necessary.
4. No objections were made by the representatives of the Town groups to the Association's occasional late licenses between now and January.
5. It was agreed to form a working party with representatives from all interested groups to address the problems discussed today and devise a set of solutions to be implemented without delay.

Appendix C - Recreation Committee

Senior Citizens- Xmas Tea

Despite the setback in funding, thanks to the efforts of Murdo Macdonald and the positive response to our 'Appeal Letters' all is on course and a good time will be had by all on the 19th December.

Art & Photo. Exhibition

This will be set up in the Victory Memorial Hall on Monday 27th Nov. Stands will be brought in from 8am and the Paintings will be brought over from the Local Gov. Offices from 8.15am

The Exhibition will be open to the public on 28, 29, and 30th Nov. 10am to 4pm. Assistance will be required to steward the Exhibition and you are all asked if you would volunteer for this and possibly the 27th.

The Preview is on the 27th Nov 7.15 to 7.30pm.

2000 Club

Chairman's permission is requested for the draw.

Appendix D - St Andrews Tourism Management Programme Group Membership

The principle of establishing a series of groups to take forward the Action Plan from the Tourism Strategy was agreed at the Consultative Forum of the Programme on 2 September 1999.

This general meeting was attended by representatives of all the groups and organisations involved in the TMP - Merchants, Preservation Trust, University, B&B Association, Visitor attractions, and Community Council in addition to the various public sector bodies involved - Fife Council, Fife Enterprise, Kingdom of Fife Tourist Board, and Historic Scotland.

Representation on any group is open to any organisation. The groups are intended to provide a forum for discussion facilitated by a lead person, and to reflect these views back to the Consultative Forum every six months. Each group appointed its own lead person once it was established.

The initial membership of the groups consisted of representatives from the following bodies:

<p>Promotion and Events</p> <p>Fife Council Community Services Kingdom of Fife Tourist Board Traders University Cllr Melville Historic Scotland Lead person - Neil Macfarlane KOFTB - 01592-750066. email: nmacfarlane@kftb.ossian.net</p>	<p>Research and Monitoring</p> <p>Fife Council Economic Development Service Fife Council Planning Service Fife Council Transportation Service Kingdom of Fife Tourist Board Fife Enterprise University Elected member Lead person - Jim McLeish, Fife Council Economic Development Service - 01334-412792. email: jim.mcleish@fife.gov.uk</p>
<p>Environmental Management and Infrastructure</p> <p>Fife Council Locality Manager Community Council Preservation Trust Fife Council Planning Service</p>	<p>Transportation and Interpretation</p> <p>Fife Council Transportation Service Fife Council Planning Service Fife Council Economic Development Service Fife Enterprise Community Council</p>

<p>Fife Council Community Services Fife Enterprise Traders Kingdom of Fife Tourist Board Fife Council Economic Development Service Cllr Liston Cllr Hunter Blair Lead person - Archie Jamieson, SEF - 01592-623000. email: Archie.Jamieson@scotent.co.uk</p>	<p>Merchants Association B&B Association Preservation Trust Cllr Liston University Lead person - Stuart Knowles, Fife Council Transportation Service - 01592-413465. email: stuart.knowles@fife.gov.uk</p>
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November 2000 - Agenda Additional

6. New Business

6.3 Locality Meeting 15/11/00 - there will be an officer from Roads Service present to discuss the local roads programme. We are invited to send a representative to take part in the discussion. 6.30pm St Andrews Local Office.

Who can attend?

6.4 NEF Local Healthcare Coop - next meeting dates 7pm Tue 5 Dec, 2pm Wed 6 Dec, 10.30am Thu 14 Dec.

Who can attend?

Correspondence received - for information

6.5 ASCC Autumn Newsletter - planning/local forum in Fife, meeting 11 Nov at Dunfermline; will press for review of CC schemes across the country due to concern with the practical implementation in some cases - opinions sought; Post McIntosh update by Frank McAveety MSP; Paths - any not listed in the National Catalogue of Rights of Way? - rights of way society www.scotways.com; Kerley Report review; AGM report (with a St Andrews/FGR namecheck); Fluoridation; homelessness; European Parliament; Planning & Telecomm Masts; CC role in new local gov structures; rural social exclusion & car ownership; forestry strategy; liquid petroleum gas (LPG) fuel; social need public phone boxes.

6.6 CVS Fife Oct Newsletter - new website www.cvsfife.org.uk; Fife Council Local Offices - how they can help volunteers; New Deal 18-24y old volunteers; Flue jobs; Befriending; European Social Fund capacity building project; Fife Council and the voluntary sector

6.7 Fife Health Council

- new office: Hayfield Clinic, Hayfield Road, Kirkcaldy, KY12 5AD. tel 01592-200555, fax 01592-644422, email unchanged fhc@fifehealthcncl.sol.co.uk, web www.fifehealthcouncil.co.uk

6.8 APRS Newsletter

- climate change; rural post offices; planing; public attitudes to windfarms - survey result; national parks bill; telecomm & planning; euro funding modulation

Date	in	Who	Subject	
3/10/00	I	Keith Harding MSP	September newsletter	f
11/10/00	I	Law&Admin	Local services 18/10/00	f
13/10/00	I	NEF Local Healthcare Co-op	meeting dates	f
15/10/00	I	Entrust	September Newsletter	f
17/10/00	I	Fife Health Council	COA	f
18/10/00	I	Law & Admin	Local Service agenda 18/10	f
19/10/00	I	APRS	Autumn newsletter	f
20/10/00	I	Aileen Macleod	City Rd	f
20/10/00	I	CVS Fife	October newsletter	f
22/10/00	I	WECAN / WEA fife	Environmental courses	f
22/10/00	O	Roads Service	State of Church Sq	fax
22/10/00	O	Aileen Macleod	acknowledge letter	letter

23/10/00	I	Fife Police	Community Reps Forum Cupar 15/11/00	f
23/10/00	O	Scotrail	8:17am service	fax
25/10/00	I	Community Services	cc West Sands letter	f
25/10/00	I	SEPA	Autumn newsletter	f
26/10/00	I	Law & Admin	Local Services notification	f
26/10/00	I	Byre Theatre	Oct newsletter	f
26/10/00	O	Chief Exec	Recycling/Civic Amenity Centre	
27/10/00	I	Iain Smith MSP	reply from Stuart Allan re Byre/CGF	email&fax
1/11/00	I	Law & Admin	Local Services Agenda 6/11/00	f
4/11/00	I	Transportation Service	Bus Changes - not St A	f
4/11/00	I	East of Scotland Waterwr	Non-domestic metering introduction	f
4/11/00	I	Fife Council	Invite to St Andrew's day address	f
4/11/00	I	Local Office	Locality Meeting 15/11/00	f
4/11/00	I	Iain Smith MSP	copy of ack from Fife Council	f
4/11/00	I	ASCC	Autumn Newsletter	f