

Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council Monthly Agenda – September 2007

There will be a meeting of the community council at 7pm Monday 3rd September in the Burgh Chambers of the Town Hall, Queen's Gardens. There will be a short break at about 8pm during which the 200 Club draw will be made. The meeting is audio-recorded to assist the secretary in producing the minutes.

(Copies of Agendas and Minutes of the Community Council are held at Fife Council's Local Office, St Mary's Place and the Town Library, Church Square. Those from late 1997 on are on line at <http://www.standrewscc.net/>)

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of August 2007

Read for accuracy in matters of substance – harangue the secretary for minor errors (spelling etc) outwith the meeting.

3. Presentations

4. Fife Councillors

4.1. Frances Melville

4.2. Bill Sangster

4.3. Robin Waterston

4.4. Dorothea Morrison

5. Planning Committee

5.1. Minutes of Planning Meetings – Appendices B & C

6. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

6.1. Community Council – Election for current vacancy

Two candidates have indicated an interest – CVs for the candidates to be distributed at the meeting.

6.2. Community Council Election Date

Fife Council has agreed that the election for St Andrews Community Council will take place on Thursday 6th December.

6.3. Best Kept Village and Town Award

St Andrews has won the annual competition. The award will be made at "Naturally Fife" on 16th September at Pittencrieff Park, Dunfermline.

6.4. Reports from representatives

6.5. Web Site/Community Council Minutes update

6.6. Water Board Signs – response

An email reply has been received from Brendon Williams answering Mr Macdonald's query last meeting:

"There can be many reasons as to why signs *etc* are left behind after work is undertaken. These range from, work is not complete *i.e.* wet cement, Unhardened tarmac, to even unfortunately bad housekeeping by our own squads and contractors. If this occurs or is apparent as an issue in your community can you please forward to me their locations and I can discuss this matter with the local Team leader. I hope this reply is sufficient for your requirements".

6.7. Annual St Andrews Garden Awards – 2007

These Awards will be presented in the Burgh Chambers, St Andrews Town Hall on Thursday 6th September at 7.00 pm. All Community Councillors are welcome to attend.

6.8. Any Other Matters Arising

7. From Committees

7.1. Recreation

7.2. General Purposes

7.3. 200 Club

8. New Business

8.1. Association of Scottish Community Councils

Request for nomination for an ASCC Representative, plus a membership survey 2007.

8.2. Bobby Jones Freedom of the City – 50th Anniversary 2008 – see Appendix D**9. Reports from Office Bearers****9.1. Chair****9.2. Treasurer****9.3. Secretary****9.3.1. Correspondence – Appendix A****10. Any Other Competent Business**

Please notify Chair of AOCB items before the start of the meeting or at the break. Hint: Given that the end of the meeting is often taken in something of a rush, unless items are urgent it might be better to submit them for next meeting's New Business

Appendix A – Correspondence

Date	from	Subject
17/08/07	Fife Council Development Services	Weekly List of Planning Applications registered week ending 13/08/07
17/08/07	Fife Council Development Services	Finalised Fife Structure Plan: Housing Land Re – Appraisal – letter and CD. Can be viewed on www.fifedirect.org.uk .
Aug 2007	Association of Scottish Community Councils	National Member Survey 2007 plus The Community COUNCILLOR Newsletter
07/08/07	Fife Council: Development Svcs	Finalised Fife Structure Plan: Housing Land Requirement Re-Appraisal – Notice of Public Consultation 20/08 – 12/10
Aug 2007	Fife Council Law & Admin	Notice of Planning Committee – 28/08/07 Fife House – 1.00 pm
06/08/07	Fife Council Community Services	Best Kept Town and Village Competition 2007 – Final
Aug 2007	Fife Council	Doors Open Days 2007 booklets
07/08/07	WHSmith	Letter from Kate Swann, CEO WHSmith in reply to CC concerns about Post Office Franchise/Transfer – copy available from secretary for anyone interested in reading her reply.
July 2007	Fife Council: Law and Admin	Letter from Linda Purdie looking to re-establish a working group re Fife Council/Community Council Liason and also publicity for the 2007 Community Council Elections.
21/08/07	Fife Council: Law & Admin	Children's Panel – Recruitment Campaign 2007
Aug 2008	Scottish Executive: Planning Directorate	Consultation Paper on Strategic Development Planning Authorities: Designation Orders and Statutory Guidance
24/08/07	Waterwatch Scotland – Ian Smith, Convenor	Letter advertising meeting of North East Panel on 20/09/07 at 2.00 pm at The City Hotel, 18 Bridge St, Dunfermline. Attendance can be confirmed by phoning 01259 725335 or email: info@waterwatchscotland.org
Aug 2007	APRS	Rural Scotland – Spring/Summer Newsletter
Aug 2007	Scottish Water Board	Email from Brendon Williams in relation to signs left after completion of work in town

Appendix B. Minutes of the Planning Meeting on 30th July 2007

Attendees: Ian Goudie, Larry Reid, George Davidson, David Finlay, Ken Fraser

Application Reference	Address	Description	Comments
07/01490/EFULL	7 Albany Place	8 person HMO	No comment
07/01493/EFULL	2 Ellice Place	4 person HMO	No comment
07/01494/EFULL	2a Kinburn Terr	4 person HMO	No comment
07/01748/EFULL 07/01750/ELBC 07/1751/EADV	Kerachers, 73 South Street	Exit alteration, erect new sign and install uv screening on window	Window design is not in keeping with "Memorandum of Guidance on Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas"

			produced by Historic Scotland guidance
07/01787/EFULL	104 Bridge St	3 person HMO	No comment
07/02207/EFULL	6a Playfair Terr	5 person HMO	No comment
07/02244/ELBC	9a Gibson Place	Internal alterations	No comment
07/02272/EFULL	5 Radernie Place	Outside preservation area	No comment
07/02180/EFULL 07/02184/ELBC	12 Howard Place	5 person HMO, 2 dormer ext & replacement roof lights	No comments
07/02240/EFULL	WH Smiths, 92 South Street	Replacement to shop front and install disable access	No comments
07/02247/EFULL	8 Livingstone Cr	Single storey extension	No comment
07/02344/EFULL	The New Golf Club	Replace/change windows	Application and drawings not found
07/02194/EFULL	7 Bakers Lane	Alterations and extension	No comments
07/02344/EFULL	50 Pipeland Rd	Single storey extension	No comments
07/02344/EFULL	9 Shields Ave	Erection of domestic garage	No comments

2 – The meeting discussed Fife Council's traffic calming plans. The general feeling was an over kill of "traffic bumps" and could be reduced. IG would contact Fife Council for a response extension and attempt to find the response sent in 2005/6.

3 – IG issued a draft letter in response to the new hospital. After general discussion it was decided to study the letter and telephone IG with thoughts and ideas. IG would continue to complete the letter and discuss at the next council meeting.

Appendix C: Minutes of the Planning Meeting On 13th August 2007

Attendees: Ian Goudie, Larry Reid, George Davidson, David Finlay

Application Reference	Address	Description	Comments
07/02341/EFULL	32 East Scores	New Timber Windows	No comment
07/02580/ELBC	32 East Scores	New Timber Windows	No comment
07/02489/ELBC	New Golf Club	New uPVC windows upstairs lounge north facing	Not traditional material for a conservation area e.g. wood
07/02415/EFULL	6 Murray's Bridge, Bridge Street	4 person HMO	No comment
07/02438/EFULL	3 Howard Place	5 person HMO	No comment
07/02491/EFULL	University of St Andrews	Provision of bicycle shelters and lockers at university locations	Plans only show the proposed shelter at the John Burnett Hall. Other plans are missing
07/02371/ELBC 07/0271/EFULL	34 North Street	Alterations to dormers, formation of balcony, install roof lights, replace windows and re-paint dwelling house	No drawings or details available
07/02488/EFULL	Gardeners Cottage, St Andrews	Erect single storey extension to Gardners Cottage	No drawings or details available
07/02520/EADV	91 Market Street	Display external illuminated fascia sign and non-illuminating projecting sign	No drawings or details available
07/02551/EFULL 07/0256/EFULL	84 North Street	Rear extension, dormer extension and formation of roof lights	No Comment

2 – 07/01989/EFULL – 103 Market Street – 5No. condenser units serving sales floor, staffroom and office to be relocated to central position on roof partially obscured from the north by overhanging trees. Air handling unit removed from roof and relocated internally, suspended from roof joists in stockroom. Low profile sheet metal roof cowls fitted over existing penetrations thru' roof

The above application was discussed at the meeting on 9th July 2007 and the committee had no comments to make. However it has been brought to the committee's attention that a considerable high

level of noise is emitted from the units which causes a high level of disturbance to neighbours who live within several metres of the units. The units were installed without planning permission and over the last three years the case has now reached the Sheriff court. The planning committee feel that it is inappropriate to comment without viewing the Reporter's report due to legal reasons.

Appendix D – Bobby Jones 50th Anniversary of Freedom of City Award 2008

Dear Mr Marks

I am a golf historian by night and lawyer by day. I have published a number of books and films principally on Robert Tyre (Bobby) Jones, Jr the legendary golfer. One of my dear friends is historian Gordon Christie who is well known to you. Gordon is also a Bobby Jones admirer. Next year marks the 50th Anniversary of the conferring by the City of St. Andrews of the Freedom of the Burgh on Mr. Jones. The only other American to be so honored was Benjamin Franklin in 1759. I have discussed the notion of some proper celebration of that historic event with both the R&A (I am a member) and the Links Trust (Alan MacGregor) and the University (Brian Lang). The consensus is that because the City initiated the original ceremony therefore the City is the proper body to initiate and sponsor such a commemoration (if the idea has currency).

I am passing along my message to Principal Lang for background on the idea. I can also burden you with additional information as well. If the City thought it was a right and proper thing to do, then I feel the support of these others is already marshalled and will be forthcoming. Perhaps this can be made the idea of someone at the City whether the Chairman or other worthy public servant who can take it and run with it. It would truly be a shame if such a historic event went unnoticed and ignored. The City of St. Andrews and Mr. Jones deserve much more than that. Thank you for considering this matter and for the benefit of your wisdom in determining whether or not it resonates with the City. I would of course be willing to contribute any assistance necessary within my meagre powers in getting such an event planned and launched. Please think about this, discuss it with whomever you deem appropriate and let me know if you believe its time is come.

Best personal regards Sidney Matthew, Tallahassee Fla
