

Monthly Agenda – May 2014

There will be a meeting of the community council at 7pm Monday 12th May in the Burgh chambers of St Andrews Town Hall. 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.

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of 7th April 2014

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. Brian Thomson

4.3. Keith McCartney

4.4. Dorothea Morrison

5. Planning Committee

5.1. Planning Committee Reports

6. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings

6.1. WW1 Centenary Remembrance Plans

See Appendix B

6.2. Reports from Representatives

6.3. Any Other Matters Arising

6.3.1. June Meeting Date

Request from Mr Greenwell to change date of June meeting to 2nd Monday.

7. From Committees

7.1. Recreation

7.2. General Purposes

7.3. 200 Club

7.4. Health, Education & Welfare Committee

7.5. Rail Sub Committee

8. New Business

8.1. Request for possible connection between St Andrews and Caudry(France)

- see Appendix C

8.2. Presentation from Fife Coastal and Countryside Trust

See email forwarded to members regarding a request by Chief Executive, Amanda McFarlane to give a brief outline of proposals regarding a possible visitor centre on the West Sands.

9. Reports from Office Bearers

9.1. Chair

9.2. Treasurer

Treasurer's Report to be sent out by email

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

07/04/14	Cllr Bryan Poole	Email from Cllr Poole to Chair of Community Council about possible partnership with Fife Council in relation to proposed new school
08/04/14	Niall Scott	Email about University proposal in relation to the byre Theatre.
11/04/14	Bill Welsh Fife Council	Email forwarded about the Big Lunch an Eden Project idea encouraging people to have lunch with their neighbours at least once a year.
16/04/14	ICUK/Domains	Email re WHOIS Data Confirmation for standrewscc.net
17/04/14	Bill Welsh Fife Council	Email re Community Empowerment Conference and Community Empowerment (Scotland) Bill.
25/04/14	Catherine McManus, Fife Coastal & Countryside Trust	Email to request possible chance to speak to CC by Amanda McFarlane, Chief Executive of FCCT
02/05/14	Linda Bissett Fife Council	Email about formal complaint by Mr Wallard with details of complaint and contact between Fife Council and Mr Wallard
23/04/14	Fredric Bricourt - Caudry, France – Community Councillor	Email from Monsieur Bricourt from Caudry seeking closer ties between the two towns due to WW1 connections and commemorations
06/05/14	Fredric Bricourt - Caudry, France – Community Councillor	Further email in reply to enquires to get more detail about the reason for the request.
02/05/14	Steven Ripley	Further email about possible plans to commemorate his uncle who was a Victoria Cross winner in the 1 st World War and lived most of his life in St Andrews until his death.
06/05/14	Roy Dilley	Email about seagull problems at Wallace Street seeking advice about solving the problem
07/05/14	Amanda McFarlane, Fife Coastal & Countryside Trust	Email to indicate availability for 9 th June to give presentation about possible visitor centre at West Sands

APPENDIX B – Email about Sergeant Ripley

I am trying to locate the appropriate person in St. Andrews City Council to talk to about WWI centenary remembrance ceremonies.

My great grand uncle, John 'Jock' Ripley was a renowned resident of St. Andrews for most of his life and is buried in Upper Largo. He won the VC in WWI in 1915 while serving with the Black Watch and after being injured returned to St. Andrews where he worked as a slater and volunteered in the local fire service and other charitable organisations. He was feted by the residents of St. Andrews upon his return from Buckingham Palace and a great procession was led through the town.

As the family archivist, I have been contacted by members of Moray Council about the placement of a memorial paving stone in Keith, where he was born, but where he spent little of his life. This is apparently something sponsored by central government to commemorate VCs of WWI. I wondered whether it might not be more appropriate for this to be placed in St. Andrews where he spent most of his adult life with his wife and son (on North Street) and where he was also a well known golfer (as was his nephew - also John Ripley) and football player. He was also very heavily involved as a recruiting sergeant in St. Andrews and the surrounding areas following the award of the VC.

I have also been asked to give a talk on his life by the St. Andrews Museum Preservation Trust, later this year and will be presenting film footage from 1915 of the procession that led him through town. This follows a call for relatives by the Trust in the St. Andrew's Citizen late last year.

Coincidentally I was a student at St. Andrews University back in the late 1980s.

I feel that it would be much more appropriate for any memorial to Jock to be placed in St. Andrews which he considered his home rather than in Keith where he was born and only spent his early years.

APPENDIX C:

I'm Frederic BRICOUT from CAUDRY North of France, international capitale of lace (Marilyn MONROE, Jacqueline KENNEDY, Kate MIDDLETON, Michelle OBAMA).

CAUDRY is a town of 15.000 inhabitants.

CAUDRY has got the Regional University of craftsmen.

CAUDRY has got Sainte-Maxellende Basilica.

During the first world war, CAUDRY, has been protected and saved by your ancestors - the GORDON HIGHLANDERS - and we really thank you. And we will honour them even more.

So, for all these reasons, Saint Andrews and Caudry are really resembling and we would be really proud to come closer to you.

Beside, you can find informations about CAUDRY, and links to know more about us.

Thank you for answering me...

Today Caudry remains, with Calais, the only town in France where lace is still made. A lace museum has been opened in a former workshop in the town centre.

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