

Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

Agenda January 1999

There will be a meeting at 7pm Monday 11th January 1998 in the Burgh Chambers, Queens Gardens.

Young Citizen of the Year Award

Death of Patrick Cassells

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Contributions from Members of the Public

(For anyone wishing to address the meeting on a matter relevant to St Andrews. Please contact the Secretary or Chair before the start of the meeting).

2.1. Subsidised Bus Routes

Gordon Hanning from Fife Council Transportation Service.

2.2. Cosmos Centre Youth Work

Cosmos-based Youth Workers on current developments, YouthCafé etc.

2.3. Police Report

3. Minutes of 7th December

(read for corrections of substance - harangue the Secretary for minor (spelling etc) mistakes outside the meeting.)

4. Matters arising from previous meetings

4.1. St Andrews (1998) Foundation

(Dec 2.3) General Purposes Committee to report on draft trust deeds etc.

4.2. Street Name for Lawhead North development

(from Dec 4.2) See Appendix A.

Does the Community Council wish to confirm the original decision or change our mind in time for the East Area Development Committee 19/1/99?

4.3. Benefit Take-up project

(Dec 5.3.12.) Chris Young to report?

4.4. Recycling

(Dec 7.1.2. & 7.4.1) Last month's meeting decided to add this item to the agenda.

5. Reports

5.1. Chair

5.2. Treasurer

5.3. Secretary

5.3.1. Files

Many thanks to Ken Fraser for passing on Secretary's old files after reducing 10+ boxes to one...

5.3.2. Flag

5yd Saltire has been ordered from David Martin Stenhouse Ltd. See also GP report (Appendix C).

5.3.3. Schedule of 1999 meetings.

See Appendix B

5.3.4. Correspondence

See Appendix D

6. Matters Raised by Committees

(for reports and decisions by full community council)

6.1. General Purposes**6.2. Golf****6.3. Finance****6.4. Leisure & Recreation****6.5. Planning****6.6. Millennium****6.7. Publicity****6.8. Youth****7. Matters raised by Fife Councillors**

(and questions to Fife Councillors on matters of general interest - specific issues should be raised with Councillors directly outside the meeting)

7.1. Cllr Frances Melville (West)**7.2. Cllr Sheila Hill (South)****7.3. Cllr Jane Ann Liston (South East)****8. Other Matters of Public Concern**

(For community councillors to raise new business and points of information)

Appendix A - Street Name

From John R Stark, Head of Environmental Health

CIVIC COUNCIL (SCOTLAND) ACT 1982

ALLOCATION OF POSTAL ADDRESSES - ST ANDREWS

I have been advised by Councillor F Melville that an alternative street name for the Lawhead North development has been suggested. It is my understanding that the alternative street name is "Berry Place".

In order that Fife Council may give due consideration to the wishes of the Community Council I would be pleased to know which of the two suggested street names the Community Council prefers.

On completion of the development in question Lawhead School will be hidden from view from Strathkinness Low Road. The road that leads from Strathkinness Low Road to Lawhead School will not be subject to allocation of postal numbers. It has been suggested by Councillor Melville and supported by Councillor Hill that the road be named to assist delivery vehicles, emergency services, etc to locate the school. The street name suggested by Councillor Melville being "Lawhead School Lane" which given the circumstances seems most appropriate.

I look forward to receiving the benefit of the Community Council's Advice in early course and would add that this matter falls for consideration by Fife Council at the East Area Development Committee on 11th January 1999.

From Phil Hill

Alexander Berry 1781-1874

Born Hill of Tarvit Main 30th November 1781

Contemporary of Sir Davie Wilkie (artist) in Cupar

Student at St Andrews University

Studied Medicine In Edinburgh

Ship's Doctor with E. India Co.

1806 Entrepreneur: Chartered ship to Cape Town and Australia for relief of Hawkesbury River Floods. Arrived at time of 'Rum Rebellion' in Sydney (Bligh of Bounty fame was Governor). Continued round the world voyage - cannibals, shipwreck, etc.

1820 Joined up with Edward Wollstonecroft (Mary Shelley's brother [more likely Mary Wollstencroft's brother, uncle to Mary Shelly - JAL]). Chartered ship to take Brisbane to Sydney as Governor. Landed at Shoalhaven (on NWS coast South of Sydney). First lady at Shoalhaven has a 1797 by Bars. Brother and sisters joined him from NE Fife to develop agriculture. Member of NSW Legislative [Assembly?], etc.

1870 Discovered old University friend still alive. Extensive correspondence followed with his reminiscences. Reported in Sydney Morning Herald and St Andrews Citizen. St Andrews postmaster kept cuttings in a scrapbook ' now in University Library (fascinating reading).

In old age he fell out with his family. Rumour that he drew up a deathbed will leaving all his wealth (£250,000 in those days) to St Andrews University, but died before signing it, so all went to brother David! University spent best 15 years or so trying to get a mention in David's will! All sort of tricks tried! I still have not managed to find it all out from the Court Senate papers in Archives. In the end University got £100,000 (biggest endowment ever, I think). Some of this was used to endow the Berry Chair of English, founded 1897. Additional Berry Money (not in the will) was used to build University House in the Scores (Principal's residence).

There is a town called Berry in New South Wales (just inland from Shoalhaven) but no recognition in St Andrews. There are still family connection around (e.g. the Miss Browns in Hepburn Gardens). I have contact with the present owners of the estate, now run as a hotel/resort, and other Friends of AB in Australia, also the Historical Society and museum in Berry NSW.

For further information see my 1981 St Andrews Day Berry Bicentenary lecture (from me or University archives) and references, therein, or Professor Michael Alexander's (Berry Prof) article in the volume of essays published by English Department (ed. Robert Crawford) last year.

From Ken Fraser

...some more information about James David Forbes. His dates were 1809-1868. He was Prof. of Natural Philosophy (= Physics) at Edinburgh from 1833-59 (elected aged 24!) and Principal of United College, St. Andrews from then until his death. He had honorary doctorates from St. Andrews and Oxford. In those days the kind of doctorate by thesis that we know now was not bestowed. He was an F.R.S. and an F.R.S.E. He was best known for:

- (1) his theory that the motion of glaciers was explained by their fluid nature, and;
- (2) his discovery of the polarisation of heat.

Appendix B - Community Council Meetings 1999

7pm in the Burgh Chambers on the first Monday of the month unless noted*:

- 1st February
- 1st March
- 5th April
- 3rd May - AGM
- 7th June
- 5th July
- *no meeting in August
- 6th September
- 4th October
- 1st November
- 6th December

Appendix C - General Purposes Committee Meeting 6/1/99

Ian Goudie, Pete Lindsay, Murdo Macdonald, Donald Macgregor, Frank Riddell, Archie Strachan

1. New Flags

Agreed to buy new Saltire with Community Council funds initially. Fife Council to be further

approached via Paul Marshall (East Area Halls Administrator) for occasional flags such as Tricolour.

Pete Lindsay to write

2. St Andrews (1998) Foundation

Discussed draft trust document and general principles of such a fund-raising trust. On suggestion from Cllr Patrick Cassells that a second Community Council trustee be selected it was agreed this would be a good thing and that it should be ex-officio (from Vice-Chairs/Secretary/Treasurer); debated whether to recommend a fixed position, but none agreed.

Agreed to commend the trust to Community Council.

Donald Macgregor to pass on comments & queries to Ian Donald and report

3. Revised Constitution

Rough draft of constitution and standing orders reviewed. Amended draft to be circulated as soon as possible for discussion/adoption at February Community Council meeting.

Questions raised as to the boundaries of our 'patch' - defined by the scheme map but we don't seem to have a copy of the map.

Pete Lindsay to circulate

4. Formal Decisions in Council Meetings

Discussed worries that decisions of the Community Council are not always clearly delineated in meetings or in minutes, leaving us open to being mis- or re-interpreted. Agreed to try to increase the clarity of decisions, acceptance of reports and minutes etc.

Appendix D - Correspondence

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Date	Who	What	Where
10/12/98	Adult Learning in Fife	Marketing Campaign	F
11/12/98	Fife Law & Admin	Fife Council meetings calendar	F & Web
11/12/98	Fife Cleansing & Waste	Xmas card	F
11/12/98	Portable Parties	Millennium Parties	Millenn KF
11/12/98	Fife East Local Services cte	Agenda 16/12/98	F
14/12/98	Fife Health Council	Healthwatch newsletter	F
18/12/98	Fife Env Health	Env Health newsletter	F
18/12/98	Fife Council & Health Bd	Community Care Plan (& Summary 1998-2001	F
19/12/98	Fife Env Health	Lawhead North street name	F — agenda
19/12/98	Fife Planning	143 South St appeal	Planning IG
21/12/98	Fife Citizenship Comm	meeting 26/1/99 — Scot Parli & local gov	F
24/12/98	"Lend-a-Hand"	Befriending children with disability	F
31/12/98	Assoc Scot Comm Councils	Guide to European funding	Tres
31/12/98	Assoc Scot Comm Councils	FoE 'Planning for Renewables'	Planning IG
31/12/98	Assoc Scot Comm Councils	Newsletter, constitution etc	F
7/1/99	Fife Planning Glenrothes	1998 Dev Plan Register, Pop estimates	Planning IG
7/1/99	Rural Forum Scotland	Ann Rept & Accounts, Rural Initiative funding	F/Tres
7/1/99	Fife Community Svcs	Millennium Diary	Millenn KF