

Ferryden & Craig Community Council

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MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF
FERRYDEN & CRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH JUNE 2024
18:30 AT MONTROSE TRINITY CHURCH HALL, FERRYDEN

Attended By:- FCCC:- 7 Community Cllrs, Angus Council:- Cllr Braes, Cllr Duff, Cllr Stewart,
 Police Rep:- Con. Mark Garnes and 9 members of the community (20)

ITEM	DETAILS	DATE ADDED	ACTIONS BY	DATE CLOSED
1	Chairperson's Welcome C Cameron welcomes all to tonight's meeting			
2	Apologies D Cameron (Planning), Graeme Newton (Chair), Cllr Gall			
3	Membership Present Carol Cameron (Vice Chair), Tracey Crowe (Assoc), Michelle Fletcher (Secretary/Treasurer), Sandy Nicoll, Dan Paton, Dave Pullar, Lynn Wilson			
4	Approval of Previous Minutes Item 11b Action should be Cllr Stewart Proposed by S Nicoll, Seconded by L Wilson			
5	Ferryden School Report Apologies from Mrs Minty who has a prior engagement			
6	Police Report Con. Mark Garnes attended and went through the report. 709 Calls within Montrose, Brechin & Edzell, 473 of which were Montrose, Ferryden & Hillside. 188 crimes recorded, none specific to Ferryden Speed gun on low road, Craig Rd, no speeding recorded except for 1 driver who was spoken to. Checks carried out within exclusion zones at school, double yellows on Craig Road Head Teacher reporting things are improving More school interaction with Schools building relations with children Ongoing work from Community Officers:- 22/06/24 - Union Park, Montrose Community Event 30/06/24 - Emergency Svcs Open Day, House of Dun			
7	Treasurer's Report <u>FCCC</u> £ 1,842.78 Balance at previous meeting -£ 109.20 Chq 000331 DG Puller (Shipping costs) £ 1,733.58 Current Balance			

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	<p><u>FCCT</u></p> <p>£ 9,002.53 Balance at previous meeting</p> <p>£ 9,002.53 Current Balance</p> <p><u>Seagreen Community Fund</u></p> <p>£ 4,827.00 Balance at previous meeting</p> <p>-£ 240.00 Chq 000330 Souper Saturdays</p> <p>-£ 500.00 Chq 000333 Montrose Coastal Rowing</p> <p>£ 4,087.00 Current Balance</p> <p><u>£ 14,823.11</u> Total Balance in RBS Account</p> <p>Accounts sent to Accountant 22/05/24 M Fletcher to transfer funds to new modern bank accounts where we can make Bank Transfers, payments will be authorised by email prior to any bank transfers.</p>			
8	<p>Planning Report</p> <p>Nothing for our ward this month</p>			
9	<p>Chairman's Report</p> <p>G Newton on holiday but provided update of actions from previous minutes as below</p>			
10	<p>Actions from Previous Minutes:-</p>			
a)	<p>Lighthouse Information Board</p> <p>Seagreen Microgrant Application 40 unanimously approved to cover the whole cost of the board £836.00 following approval by Seagreen. M Fletcher to now place order.</p>	02/04/24	M Fletcher	
b)	<p>Flagstone Wall at Picnic Bench</p> <p>Esk Rivers Angus have confirmed that the picnic area is not owned by them. FCC Trust will need to seek support from solicitor to see if ownership can be identified. Concern raised people getting in past fence, this is at their own risk.</p>	04/06/24	G Newton	
c)	<p>Roundabout at Ferryden</p> <p>Response received from Scotia Seeds wrt to our interest in wild planting of the roundabout. Owner happy to meet at roundabout to look at what can be achieved. He has pointed out that maintaining the daffodils together with a wild flower planting would be difficult to achieve as they require different soil conditions to survive. Perhaps a member of FiF, G Newton and maybe David G Pullar could meet with Scotia Seeds to allow a proposal to be brought back for approval?</p>	15/08/23	G Newton	
d)	<p>Bench on Rossie Terrace</p> <p>Beautiful slices of Elm have been donated by Rory Thompson from Diamond Lils. Graeme collected these</p>			

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	<p>before his holiday and will cut and oil them this week prior to fitment. Permission to buy external wood oil required. Cost will be around £40 depending on how much is needed. Permission to purchase granted.</p> <p>Prop. C Cameron Seconded by L Wilson</p> <p>Note of thanks to Rory from happy resident who's home looks out to the bench</p>	04/02/24	G Newton	
e)	<p>Pier Ownership</p> <p>Still waiting further update. Although it is Scottish Water that we are waiting on responding to us and not MPA. Dave Pullar and G Newton will hopefully meet with them once contact has been made.</p> <p>SW there today with no prior warning for fishermen & vehicles.</p>		G Newton D Pullar	
f)	<p>Heritage Trail</p> <p>Likely to be a winter project but likely route and POI are being worked up. Route is likely to start at Rossie Island, take in the core pathway around Esk Rd and the Basin. Inchbrayock cemetery has pictish significance, Coble boat, old main road, King George V park, Pier and several points of interest before heading to the lighthouse. Walk could continue to Sandy Braes and loop back via Mains of Usan back into the village.</p>	04/02/24	G Newton M Fletcher	
g)	<p>Benches at Folly</p> <p>Contact made with AC Parks Dept and verbally agreed that moving of the benches could be discussed further. AC suggested that we monitor their use for a period of time and also for FCCC to propose a more suitable place for them to be sited.</p>	02/04/24	ALL	
h)	<p>Parking Issues Usan Road</p> <p>Complaint from Usan Road Resident, washing machines, sofas, car seats. Cllr Stewart put it to housing but no response as yet. Cllr Braes will chase.</p>	07/05/24	Cllr Braes	
i)	<p>Glass Recycling Points</p> <p>Suggesting to be sited at Pier and at old bus station at Rossie Island. The Council will vet the suggested locations to ensure are accessible</p> <p>Montrose & Brechin are Phase 3 – Spring 2025</p>			
i)	<p>Usan Bus Shelter</p> <p>AC waiting for a call from Brian Alston, Farmer to give the last go ahead. D Pullar gave thanks Cllr Stewart for actioning</p>			04/06/24
k)	<p>The Old Public Lavatory aka "The Shitty"</p> <p>G Newton to progress further discussions on what could be done to preserve the remains of this building. Dan to engage further with St Andrews University for their</p>	07/03/23	G Newton	

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	<p>confirmation on their interest to carry out a dig.</p> <p>Ian Paton contacted Historic Scotland to get remains listed. They are interest if we can to provide photos, Bill Nicoll will photograph.</p> <p>D Paton – best done as archaeological project. Ferryden suffered badling in the 19th century by gross lack of sanitation. D Paton will write to university to see if interested in a project.</p> <p>Ownership – never been sold and belongs to the trust.</p> <p>Suggestions: Digging for Britain / Aberdeen University?</p>		D Paton	
11	Agenda Items			
a)	<p>FCCT Solicitor Update</p> <p>Trustees have spoken with to T Duncan & Co who are happy to take on our work if required.</p> <p>Some items have now been actioned by Scott Alexander since last push.</p> <p>Agreed to wait till Sept to decide if a move is necessary, pro's being T Duncan having a larger conveyancing dept., con's being Scott Alexander have the history. We will ensure contact is maintained during the next few months to get updates on outstanding actions from Scott Alexander and decision will be made at Sept meeting.</p>		GN/SN	
b)	<p>Seagreen Large Fund Process Update</p> <p>FCCC had very productive a meeting with C Mullen from SSE/Seagreen to clarify what would be an acceptable, transparent and fair process. Each CC has done it differently. It was agreed an Online vote may cause problems, and FCCC can form a panel with CC members and members of the wider community to discuss and decide which ones go forward.</p> <p>1) NOI's to be sent to C Mullen for advice/comment 2) FCCC will constitute a panel with CC/Community to assess NOI's ahead of September. 3) Once panel has made decision, full application/s to be sent to Seagreen 4) Seagreen may give a conditional offer eg if planning permission required.</p>		ALL	
c)	<p>Pavilion on Croft Road</p> <p>Article in Courier on 31st May – MPA offered £201750 75% respondents did not support sale and a lot of calls to retain to community use.</p> <p>Decision would be subject to approval of Sherriff court.</p> <p>AC – vote will be referred to full council on 20th June</p> <p>Motion was deferred to full council for all 28 councillors participating, after which it goes to court</p> <p>Courts would take at least 6 months</p>			

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	<p>FCCC advised they can contact committee clerk to ask to speak our case at the meeting, contact after papers are published on the Friday</p> <p>Cllr Duff asked if public opinion taken into consideration by elected councillors, business economy take priority</p> <p>FCCC disappointed that the questionnaire form weighted to a certain industry. Form was devised from economic development dept. FCCC clearly unhappy with the process and lack of consideration for community use.</p> <p>Judicial review would look at the process</p> <p>AC rely on their own solicitors and specialist advice on how to proceed</p> <p>AC couldn't sell to a community group at a low price as the common good has a lot of liabilities</p> <p>ERCS (free legal support to fight loss of green spaces) – MF to send to T Crowe</p> <p>Pavilion lady completely out the loop - Cllr Braes will ask someone to contact her</p> <p>MPA is a Trust port – all monies it makes is reinstated in Montrose Port</p> <p>FCCC asked if meeting for vote could be delayed until all appropriate questions are considered, considering the Cllrs represent the community who voted them in. Again advised to contact committee clerk to be able to speak our case at the meeting on 20th June.</p>			
d)	<p>Bus Service Complaints</p> <p>Buses not coming in to Ferryden, timetables not being stuck to, bus drivers unsympathetic.</p> <p>Buses partially subsidised by AC.</p> <p>Bus users advised to contact Stagecoach in the first instance, after which they can complain to complaints@bususers.org, however, must complaint to Stagecoach first.</p> <p>Cllr Braes asked Ian Lieth (AC Transport) to contact MF for details</p>	04/06/24	M Fletcher	
12	Correspondence			
a)	Community Planning – proposed meeting dates Will discuss in WhatsApp Group		ALL	
b)	Angus Community Resilience SPIF – Scottish Public Information Forum Invite, Letham 6 th June			
13	<p>Seagreen Community Fund</p> <p><u>Grants to be issued:-</u> £260 Souper Saturdays – Hall Hire Apr 23-Apr24 – Ring- fenced for payment of Hall Hire in arrears</p>			

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	<p><u>Grants Issued:-</u> Souper Saturdays £240.00 Chq 000330 Montrose Coastal Rowing £500.00 Chq 000333</p> <p>Balance – £3827.00</p> <p><u>New Applications:-</u> £500.00 FCCC – Lighthouse Info Board (Approved 10A)</p> <p><u>Outstanding Applications:-</u> £500.00 Jennifer Robertson – Bench by Elephant Rock £250.00 Jennifer Roberston bench installation Approved on provision land owners permission granted</p> <p><u>Applications on hold:-</u> £500.00 Pauline Rintoul – Bench</p>			
14	AOCB			
a)	<p>Rossie Terrace Street Sign/Brownlow Place</p> <p>Resident has support workers struggling to find her house especially in the evenings due to badly faded sign C Cameron will have a look a street sign issues (inc William St) and contact AC Roads.</p>	04/06/24	C Cameron	
b)	<p>Beacon Terrace – Parking Exemption?</p> <p>Parking Enforcement have been up Beacon Terrace enforcing new pavement rule. With street being narrow and kerbs being same height of the road it was asked by resident if this street could have an exemption.</p> <p>M Fletcher to email Cllr Braes with details.</p>	04/06/24	M Fletcher	
c)	<p>Citizens of the Year Award</p> <p>L Wilson & M Fletcher met with Hillside & MCC reps to discuss how to run the COTYA now that Rotary has disbanded.</p> <p>MCC contacting Seagreen to ask if they would support the awards. Potential to have an award for an individual and one for a group.</p> <p>Plan to advertise for Nominees through September, award to be presented December.</p>			
15	Questions from the floor:-			
a)	<p>Tayside Contracts – grants for Rossie Tce steps & Railing?</p> <p>C Cameron will look into this</p>	04/06/24	C Cameron	
b)	<p>Bellevue Terrace</p> <p>Damage from lorries for new build turning in an unadopted road. Resident asked if he would take photos of condition and note the offending vehicles/companies.</p> <p>Suggested to check with planning for any conditions.</p>	04/06/24	C Cameron	
16	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Tues 3rd Sept 2024 18:30 (Ferryden Primary School TBC – Unable to book on AC system until July)</p>			