

Ferryden & Craig Community Council

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MINUTE OF THE AGM & ORDINARY MEETING OF FERRYDEN & CRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2025 18:30 AT FERRYDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Attended By:- FCCC:- 5 Community Cllrs, Angus Council (2) :- Cllr Braes, Cllr Stewart, 4 members of the community (11 Total)

ITEM	DETAILS	DATE ADDED	ACTIONS BY	DATE CLOSED
1	Chairperson's Welcome G Newton welcomes all for AGM to be followed by our ordinary meeting. Congratulates Carol on the arrival of baby grandson Ellis.			
2	Apologies S McLaren, D Smith, L Wilson, T Crowe (Assoc), Cllr Duff, Cllr Gall, Police Scotland, Ferryden School			
3	Membership Present G Newton (Chair), C Cameron (Vice), M Fletcher (Secretary/Treasurer), D Cameron, D Pullar, David Smith)			
4	Approval of Previous AGM Minutes Proposed C Cameron / Seconded D Pullar			
5	Chairperson's Annual Report A bit of a whirlwind and busy year as well as being the most significant in all the years FCCC has been in existence. With 3 projects being voted on and securing Seagreen funding of £250,000 we have spent most the year focussed on delivery of Core Paths 093 and the resurfacing of Esk Road, with sea defences being installed to. This project is in its final stages now. Great work by the Esk Road project team and all involved. (£120,000) FCCC pathways (£90,000) saw a winding path through King George Park, looping through the community orchard and connecting at both ends to the original pathway has made the park more accessible to all. Disabled access picnic tables and benches placed on the edge of the new path have seen a lot of use already. Within the bounds of this project the Scuperie steps were also refurbished as well as the Eastway steps. Unfortunately, these both need remedial work, which is currently being looked at. Ferryden in Flower (£40,000) has seen phase 1 install 7 planters. Phase 2 has permission for 3 more to be placed out now. The final phase of 6 planters going out			

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	<p>is awaiting council permission which should be w/c 10th November. Permissions are in place to wild seed the roundabout, large areas of the park and Esk Road, working in partnership with Scotia seeds. So 2026 should be a year of colour.</p> <p>The walking trail research has commenced and POI's which will be supported by a new website is underway. In between project duties as an elected group we have dealt with numerous issues and actions throughout the year. Most notable one being representing the community with a challenge on the sale of the Inch Pavillion and Bowling Green, which is still ongoing and is now with the Sherrif Court in Edinburgh who will make the final decision.</p> <p>The activity and output from FCCC has been unbelievably high this year and to each and everyone of you, both members of the CC, members of the public and also our elected Councillors I would like to pay a huge thanks to you all.</p>											
a)	Questions from the floor:- None											
6	<p>Secretary & Treasurers Annual Report</p> <p>All scheduled meetings were held either at the school or the church hall when the school was unavailable, with the exception of May, which we had to cancel as we could not meet the quorum.</p> <p>We have since welcomed two new members.</p> <p>FCCC Calendars for 2025 raised £237.00, a huge thanks to all those who supported our fund raiser. This past year we have begun using new bank accounts keeping funds separate, and we are now able to make bank transfers instead of relying on cheque books.</p> <p>Our accounts were audited by Macdonald Accountancy Services, Stonehaven for a small fee of £35. Accounts were submitted to Angus Council after which we received our operational grant of £400.00 on 24/07/25.</p> <table><tr><td>Balance Sheet @ 31 Mar 25</td><td>£ 20,815.36</td></tr></table> <p>Consisting of</p> <table><tr><td>Trustee Funds (FCCT)</td><td>£ 8,372.53</td></tr><tr><td>FCCC</td><td>£ 2,425.51</td></tr><tr><td>Seagreen Micro Grants</td><td>£ 10,017.32</td></tr></table> <p>Copy of accounts available on request.</p>	Balance Sheet @ 31 Mar 25	£ 20,815.36	Trustee Funds (FCCT)	£ 8,372.53	FCCC	£ 2,425.51	Seagreen Micro Grants	£ 10,017.32			
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7	<p>Demit of Current Office Bearers/Election of Office Bearers</p> <p>L Wilson submitted resignation due to health issues and has enjoyed her time and contributions during her time on FCCC.</p> <p>Cllr Braes asked for nominations as follows:-</p> <table><tr><th><u>Office Bearer</u></th><th><u>Candidate</u></th><th><u>Proposed</u></th><th><u>Seconded</u></th></tr><tr><td>Chair</td><td>G Newton</td><td>M Fletcher</td><td>C Cameron</td></tr><tr><td>Vice Chair</td><td>C Cameron</td><td>D Pullar</td><td>D Cameron</td></tr><tr><td>Secretary</td><td>M Fletcher</td><td>G Newton</td><td>C Cameron</td></tr><tr><td>Treasurer</td><td>M Fletcher</td><td>C Cameron</td><td>D Cameron</td></tr><tr><td>Planning</td><td>D Cameron</td><td>C Cameron</td><td>D Pullar</td></tr><tr><td>DPO</td><td>D Cameron</td><td>M Fletcher</td><td>G Newton</td></tr></table>	<u>Office Bearer</u>	<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	Chair	G Newton	M Fletcher	C Cameron	Vice Chair	C Cameron	D Pullar	D Cameron	Secretary	M Fletcher	G Newton	C Cameron	Treasurer	M Fletcher	C Cameron	D Cameron	Planning	D Cameron	C Cameron	D Pullar	DPO	D Cameron	M Fletcher	G Newton			
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8	<p>Date of next A.G.M.:-</p> <p>3rd Nov 2026</p>																															
9	Close of A.G.M																															

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ORDINARY MEETING-

ITEM	DETAILS	DATE ADDED	ACTIONS BY	DATE CLOSED
1	Approval of Previous Minutes Proposed D Pullar / Seconded C Cameron			
2	Ferryden School Report Apologies from school this evening			
3	Police Report Apologies for this evening but report received. Speed survey came back, no evidence of speeding in King Street/River Street Cllr Stewart will forward email	04/11/25	Cllr Stewart	
4	Treasurers Report Account 00142610 - FCCT <u>£ 8,434.96</u> FCCT Balance at previous meeting <u>£ 8,434.96</u> Account 00719160 - FCCC <u>£ 2,705.51</u> Balance at previous meeting <u>£ 2,705.51</u> Account 00719179 - Seagreen Micro Grants <u>£ 9,017.32</u> Balance at previous meeting <u>£ 9,017.32</u> Account 00719187 - Seagreen Large Grant - Projects <u>£ 240,775.17</u> Balance at previous meeting <u>£ 240,775.17</u> Approval to pay Church for Hall Hire – GN /CC	04/11/25	M Fletcher	
5	Planning Report No new applications			
6	Chairperson's Report Nothing to add to earlier report and action updates			
7	Action Items from previous minutes			
a)	Bins at 1&2 Beacon Terrace To ask solicitor to look at deeds. Permission received to put planter where bins are currently sitting.	04/11/25	G Newton	
b)	Picnic Area on Lighthouse Road Quote for £4200+VAT, need to get 2 nd quote due to project size. Potential underspend with Geddes in the park project. G Newton, C Cameron, M Fletcher to meet up and look at Pathways project costings to see if there would be funds left to repair this area.	04/11/25	GN/CC/MF	

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c)	Car parked by Hairdressers with flat tyre M Fletcher to write to owner	04/11/25	M Fletcher	
d)	Usan Road – Inconsiderate Parking Issue Gardener's truck back towing woodchipper, is sitting at bottom on Usan Rd. Plastic wedge & matic hammer being used to top it from rolling downhill. Breaking Section 59 road traffic act and to be reported	04/11/25	G Newton	
e)	Old Toll House – upturned boat Letter issued to find out ownership. Awaiting reply.			
f)	Caravan sited on pier taking up a space on FCCT land Owners have moved caravan which is now sitting at 90 deg to traffic causing visibility issues to drivers coming down Usan Rd.. G Newton to will speak to Andy Barnes (Traffic)	04/11/25	G Newton	
g)	William Street – ownership of sheds/decking etc G Newton will discuss with solicitor and then look at insurance, liabilities	07/10/25	G Newton	
h)	Trees & Bushes on Beacon Terrace embankment G Newton will contact utilities company	07/10/25	G Newton	
i)	Pier – Drop to Sea Need yellow hatches and lines repainted, and a warning sign that there's a drop to the sea, G Newton to speak to FCCT	07/10/25	G Newton	
j)	Railings by hairdressers - update Railings made, waiting installation	07/10/25	C Cameron	04/11/25
k)	Sale of Inch Pavillion Update was received following the meeting	07/10/25	Cllr Stewart	04/11/25
l)	Citizen Of The Year Award M Fletcher met with the Montrose CC Chair, and Hillside CC Secretary to go through all the nominations and agree on this year's Citizen of the Year. Winner will be presented with the award on 28 th Nov.	07/10/25	M Fletcher L Wilson	04/11/25
8	Agenda Items			
a)	Seagreen Projects Update <u>Core Path 093 – Esk Road</u> Resurfacing of road has been carried out which included a slip included, received favourable comments from the rowing club. Permission to install speed bumps needs to go through consultation period, if approved it would be required to be installed by Angus Council. Currently with T Crowe to investigate possible options. Coastal protection finished. <u>Ferryden Pathways</u> Wood for steps was cut too short, hardcore running around the side. There was loose handrails at the top,			

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	<p>quote did not include repairing those. Geddes will replace wood f.o.c.. and would also, as a good will gesture, put some extra posts in at the top to strengthen it. We asked if Geddes could replace the bottom steps with concrete, price £1386 (including deduction for timber) Top step repair, new posts, bracing will be foc. Agreed to request price for all the steps in concrete for longevity.</p> <p><u>Ferryden in Flower</u></p> <p>Permission received for planter to be installed at the back of the island, old concrete bin was in the way. thanks to D Watson for assisting.</p> <p>C Cameron will be planning at coffee morning for chat with residents with locals to collect historical stories and facts, hopefully this side of Christmas. We have been offered a loan of dicta-phone that types up notes which could save a lot of time. If anyone has any suggestions of locals we can speak to with historical stories please get in touch!</p> <p>"Strange Places in Scotland" posted about the shitty, which resulted in contact from a stonemason who works for Environmental Historic Scotland. He has kindly offered to provide labour to do lime rendering and put coping back on. We've had one of the top Scottish lime rendering people come to have a look and he's willing to come along and teach volunteers to do lime rendering and oversee the work, for expenses only. Another gent from Aberdeen Uni, along with is going to come and have a look and, along with Prof Tim, help us with the paperwork to get Historic Env Protection on it.</p> <p>G Newton will visit Dan Paton to share of information</p>	04/11/25	G Newton	
b)	<p>Inch Pavilion & Bowling Green Update</p> <p>As at item 7k, we have received documentation from the Sheriff Court. FCCC submitted a letter for consideration.</p>			
c)	<p>Christmas Lights Update</p> <p>FCCC previously bought 240v lights, however, legislation would require them to be installed higher than 10ft.</p> <p>We have been offered Montrose's old Xmas tree, G Newton & D Pullar have been looking as where we could display it.</p> <p>Need to put a proposal together for the features bought for various lamp posts.</p> <p>Insurance is also something we have to investigate.</p> <p>Once we have a plan approved and costs we will need to look at funding.</p> <p>Won't be this year, next year at the earliest.</p>			

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d)	FCCC Calendars M Fletcher has a poll on Facebook to see if there was a demand for calendars and photo contributors. With the small response and timescale it was agreed to forego the calendars this year, should there be a demand for next year re-instate the calendars project.			
9	Correspondence			
a)	Marine Licence – Pontoons for Inchcape Will be next to Seagreen, no affect on village.			
b)	Convention of Community Councils Summary of NES Community Councils' meeting 11/10 and proposed way forward			
c)	POLL: NEW POWERS FOR COMMUNITY COUNCILS? M Fletcher to have a look	04/11/25	M Fletcher	
10	Seagreen Community Fund <u>New Applications</u> – None Balance - £5,776.80 <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 This is now progressing, G Newton, B Alston, D Pullar discussing <u>Applications on hold:-</u> None- M Fletcher to reshare for applications	04/11/25	M Fletcher	
11	A.O.C.B.			
a)	MPA Masterplan – Can be viewed online, definitely worth a look at the impressive plans			
15	Questions from the floor			
a)	None			
16	Next Meeting Tues 2nd Dec 2025 – 18:30 Ferryden Primary School			