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MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF FERRYDEN & CRAIG COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2026 18:30 AT FERRYDEN CHURCH HALL

Attended By:- FCCC:- 5 Community Cllrs, Angus Council (3) :- Cllr Braes, Cllr Duff, Cllr Stewart, Ferryden PS (0), & 9 members of the community (17 Total)

ITEM	DETAILS	DATE ADDED	ACTIONS BY	DATE CLOSED
1	Chairperson's Welcome G Newton welcomed everyone to the final meeting of the current Community Council term. All Community Councillors would stand down at midnight, with the new term commencing later in October.			
2	Apologies David Cameron, Carol Cameron, Ferryden School, Police Scotland, Cllr Gall			
3	Membership Present G Newton (Chair), M Fletcher (Secretary/ Treasurer), S McLaren, D Pullar, D Smith			
4	Approval of Previous Minutes M Fletcher advised that the FCCT account had inadvertently been omitted from the previous minutes. It was agreed that the omitted account information would be included in the October minutes. Proposed: D Pullar- / Seconded:- D Smith			
5	Ferryden School Report Apologies received – School Holidays			
6	Police Report Police report received. It was noted that several thousand litres of diesel and an Ifor Williams trailer had recently been stolen from Ferryden Farm. Details had been shared on the FCCC website and Facebook page requesting any relevant CCTV/Ring doorbell footage. A further recent diesel theft in Montrose was discussed, where a vehicle had been seen but was believed to have been displaying false registration plates.			
7	Treasurer's Report Note:- FCCT Account missed from Sept Minutes Account 00142610 - FCCT £ 8,475.61 FCCT Balance at Jun meeting £ 17.95 29/06 - Int to 15 Jun -£ 21.60 Chq 349 Title Deeds £ 18.18 Int to 15 Sept -£ 40.00 Chq 352 FCCC (Pier Labels)			

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	£ 8,450.14 Account 00719160 - FCCC £ 2,840.83 Balance at previous meeting £ 40.00 Chq 352 from FCCT awaiting clearing £ 150.00 SG Microgrant for Picnic Area Repair -£ 83.92 Materials for Picnic Area Project £ 2,946.91 Account 00719179 - Seagreen Micro Grants £ 5,092.02 Balance at previous meeting -£ 150.00 57 - Wood for Picnic Area £ 4,942.02 Account 00719187 - Seagreen Large Grant - Projects £ 70,515.38 Balance at previous meeting -£ 15,426.00 Geddes - Ferryden Pathways £ 55,089.38			
8	Planning Report None			
9	Chairperson's Report G Newton advised that there was nothing additional to report that was not covered elsewhere in the minutes.			
10	Action Items from previous minutes			
a)	Playgroup Gala Day Following the Playgroup's attendance at the previous meeting, work is continuing on proposals to reinstate the Ferryden Gala Day, with next year considered the most realistic timescale. Volunteers are to be sought and a meeting arranged to discuss the potential scale and activities. M Fletcher confirmed that Eve Mosher's contact details had been forwarded as agreed. Laura Kenny had also made enquiries regarding costs and requirements, including toilet facilities and first aid provision.			
b)	Abandoned Boats at Montrose Basin Cllr Duff advised that the matter had been discussed with Angus Council Legal Services. The Council still requires to determine whether it intends to renew the lease for the area. It was suggested that SWT may be better placed to hold the lease. Concern was raised that a number of the boats had been abandoned while Angus Council held the lease and that responsibility for their removal therefore required clarification. Cllr Duff agreed to chase Legal Services for an update.			

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c)	Wall below houses on Rossie Terrace and steps from Hillview Path to Rossie Terrace (in need of repair) Cllr Stewart advised that Angus Council Legal and Housing had reviewed the available title information to establish responsibility for the retaining wall and adjoining path/steps. The larger retaining wall appears to be wholly owned by Angus Council. Further clarification is required regarding responsibility for the remaining areas. M Fletcher to provide clear photographs of the wall and steps to assist with further enquiries. Action: M Fletcher – send photographs	05/09/26	M Fletcher	
d)	Old Scout Hall Awaiting completion of the registration process, following which the required FCCT signatures can be obtained.			
e)	Christmas Lights & Tree The required measurement for the ground fitting has now been obtained. Installation will be progressed next year. Action: G Newton / D Pullar – ongoing.	01/09/26	G Newton D Pullar	
f)	Rubbish in King Street – awaiting update Ongoing issues with bins at King Street were noted and the matter will remain outstanding. Action: C Cameron – continue to monitor & provide an update.	01/09/26	C Cameron	
g)	Pier Safety – Drop into Sea No further update. Item remains ongoing.			
h)	Trees & Bushes on Beacon Terrace No further update. Item remains ongoing.			
11	Agenda Items			
a)	Seagreen Projects Update <u>Core Path 093 – Esk Road</u> Following Tracey and Lynn stepping back from the Community Council, Seagreen confirmed that responsibility for the Esk Road project remains with FCCC. Residual project funds remain, part of which is allocated for two information/story boards. Geddes have also been asked to provide a price for extending the path at the far end of Esk Road. Any use of the remaining funds will require agreement by FCCC and approval from Seagreen. <u>Ferryden Pathways</u> A top dressing of gravel is to be laid on King's Roady to tidy and improve the path. No new steps or railings are included within the current project. This will bring the Ferryden Pathways project close to completion. Any residual project funds will be considered by FCCC, subject to Seagreen approval			

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	<u>Ferryden in Flower</u> G Newton advised that the new “Ferryden in Flower” signs for the planters had been received and were due to be installed. A small memorial plaque will also be displayed on the first planter.			
b)	Picnic Area at Lighthouse Road Works to the picnic area have been completed and the area is now back in use. The improvements have been well received. G Newton has contacted Angus Council Parks requesting removal of the temporary fencing and a final tidy-up of the area.			
c)	Parking on River Street Matter to remain on the agenda pending clarification. Action: C Cameron – provide update.	01/09/26	C Cameron	
d)	School Project - Painted Pebbles The pebble wall has been refreshed and currently covers approximately three-quarters of the wall. Ferryden Primary School intends to produce additional pebbles to complete the display, with further work likely to take place next spring/summer.			
12	Correspondence			
a)	Inch Cape Wind Farm – Public Consultation The public consultation regarding the proposed £1.9m community benefit fund was discussed, including how the fund may be structured, governed and distributed amongst local communities. FCCC will continue to monitor developments and engage with the consultation process.	05/10/26	FCCC	
b1-4)	Various items on email received from Gordon Brown:-			
b1	Weeds growing through tarmac, verges overgrowing on Esk Road/Banking etc Concerns were raised regarding weeds/overgrowth and the general appearance of Esk Road. Geddes had inspected the road and advised that no weeds were found growing through the tarmac; growth was noted around the kerbing and adjoining verges/wild planting. The matter will be raised with the original Esk Road group. Action:- G Newton to follow up regarding weed control.	05/10/26	G Newton	
b2	Pavement on Road around cemetery, Braoch Rd/Croft Rd Concerns regarding the level of weeds on the pavements around Braoch Road and Croft Road, with concern that there had been a lack of weed control over the summer. It was noted that weed spraying had recently taken place and the area will be monitored.			
b3	Formalising use of Carpark by sailing club Regarding the suggestion to formalise use of the car park beside the Sailing Club for camper vans. FCCC			

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	had previously agreed not to pursue the proposal; however, the comments received were noted and the matter may be reconsidered in the future.			
b4	Vehicles -Thomson Tce/end of Esk Rd Concerns were raised regarding vehicles frequently stopping for short periods around the railway bridge at Thomson Terrace/Esk Road, with reports of suspicious behaviour and vehicles subsequently driving at speed along Esk Road. It was agreed that the concerns should be raised with Police Scotland.			
c)	Crown Estate – abandoned boats A response was received from Andrew Robertson, Crown Estate, regarding the abandoned boats at Montrose Basin. Crown Estate provided supporting documentation and advised that responsibility for dealing with the abandoned boats did not lie with them.	04/10/26	Cllr Duff	
d)	Community Council Training – LDP Information received regarding Community Council training on the Local Development Plan (LDP), including forthcoming training/consultation dates. Members were encouraged to participate where possible.			
e)	Eve Mosher – Sea Change Email received from Eve Mosher enquiring about Seagreen funding for a series of workshops with artist Amanda Murray and Ferryden Primary School, creating mermaids for the proposed Mermaid Festival in spring. Eve also offered to attend a future FCCC meeting to present the plans for the festival.			
f)	Rossie Terrace Correspondence received regarding the condition of an area at Rossie Terrace, including a deteriorating planter, cigarette ends, weeds and the general untidy appearance. It was agreed that the appropriate route for concerns relating to the rented property should be explored with the landlord/landlord registration.			
g)	Bench request for lighthouse road in memory Correspondence received from Graham Napier requesting assistance with the installation of a bench on Lighthouse Road. FCCC agreed to assist with identifying a suitable location and the appropriate contacts. An alternative location elsewhere in the village could be considered if Lighthouse Road is unsuitable.	05/10/26	TBC	
h)	BSR Craigo – meeting Thursday Correspondence received regarding the proposed BSR renewable energy development between Hillside and Craigo, including notification of a public meeting at Hillside Hall. It was noted that the development lies outside the FCCC area and no further action was proposed.			
13	Seagreen Community Fund <u>Outstanding Applications:-</u>			

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	*£500.00 Jennifer Robertson – Bench by Elephant Rock *£250.00 Jennifer Roberston bench installation Landowner permission has now been obtained. The exact location of the bench is still to be agreed with the landowner and installer before installation can proceed. Action: D Pullar – liaise with David regarding the proposed location. <u>Applications on hold</u>:- None Balance :- £4162.02 less £750.00* = £3,412.02 Two further £9,000 payments are still to be received <u>New Applications</u> – £2600.00 Ferryden in Flower – Conservation works to the historic “Shitty” structure. The works will include lime rendering and measures to protect the remaining structure from further weather damage, allowing Historic Environment Scotland protection to be pursued. Approved			
14	A.O.C.B.			
a)	Community Council Elections Community Council Elections – It was noted that the current Community Council would stand down at midnight, with the inaugural meeting of the newly appointed Community Council taking place on 20 October 2026. As the number of nominations did not exceed the nine available seats, no public ballot was required.			
b)	Citizen of The Year Award M Fletcher advised that the Citizen of the Year had now been decided following a meeting with the other participating Community Councils. The recipient will be announced on 23 October 2026.			
c)	Remembrance Sunday Wreath A wreath has been ordered and will be laid on Sunday 8 November. Further details will be shared on social media and village notice boards once arrangements are confirmed.			
d)	End of Term Update G Newton advised that he would be standing down from the Community Council after approximately 16 years. He reflected on the achievements of FCCC during his time in office and thanked Community Councillors, Angus Councillors, members of the public, Police Scotland and Ferryden Primary School for their support and involvement. He confirmed that, although standing down, he would continue to support and assist within the community.			
15	Questions from the floor			
a)	Community Investigation Team –			

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	A resident advised that, following contact with the Community Investigation Team, she had been informed that the service can only assist where a council tenant is involved, as the team is funded through the Housing Revenue Account. Concern was expressed that this limitation had not been made clear during the team's previous presentation to FCCC.			
b)	Usan Road – Overgrown hedge A request for assistance was received on behalf of an elderly resident who is having difficulty maintaining a large hedge. Angus Care & Repair were suggested as a possible source of assistance; however, local resident Andy Sangster kindly offered to help.			05/10/26
c)	William Lamb plaque The condition and visibility of the William Lamb plaque on Beacon Terrace was raised. G Newton agreed to seek advice from a local artist regarding whether cleaning or other suitable treatment could improve its appearance. Action: G Newton.	05/10/26	G Newton	
d)	Painting of Railings at Rossie Terrace A member of the public expressed thanks for the recent sanding and repainting of the railings near the Rossie Terrace steps.			
16	Next Meeting - Tues 20th Oct 2026 – Inaugural Meeting at Ferryden Primary School, 19:30 Tues 3rd Nov 2026 – Ferryden Primary School, 18:30 TBC			