Minutes

The Royal Burgh of Kilrenny, Anstruther & Cellardyke Community Council

Monday 11th April 7:30pm at the East Neuk Centre | Meeting called to order by Andy Peddie

# In Attendance

Andy Peddie (Chair), Gillian MacLaren (Vice Chair), Daryl Wilson (Secretary), Lorna Jones (Treasurer), Lindsay McKinstray, Susan Gay, Louise McEwan, Ali McLeod, Margaret Hellicar, Ellis Jaffray, Neil Anderson, Cllr Holt, Cllr Porteous, Cllr Docherty

Apologies: Sean Blake

# Approval of Minutes, Matters Arising & Declaration of Interest

Andy opened the meeting and welcomed new community councillor Ellis Jaffray.

Minutes were approved by Louise and seconded by Lorna.

Matters arising; letter to harbours re landing fees - in hand

Margaret – information boards, emailed Donald Grant and given list of funding bodies. MH contacted the fisherman’s trust and potentially could fund. DW can offer details of manufacturer of Cellardyke Boards and Margaret seeking assistance with design, Glenn Jones may have information of potential designers, LJ to ask. DW to also ask B Bruce.

# Questions from the public

No public present

# Planning/Licensing Matters

Tipsy Tavern application submitted and currently in process with Fife Council

Application approved for catering unit at Cellardyke (East Neuk Outdoors)

The Wee Chippy - issue ongoing re path obstruction – Cllr Holt to follow up with Fife Council

# Multi Use Path

Meeting to be held Monday 18th April between Pittenweem CC and Anstruther CC representatives, to pursue the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding. Until this is signed by both parties, no further progress can be made on any route.

The small works programme has begun in the town with widening of paths etc. Workmanship standards were questioned via social media, an assurance was given from Sustrans that all work will be assessed, and any defects will be rectified.

# Waid Community Campus Update

Teams meeting held mid-March between FC, CC, and local community member Vicky. Very unsatisfactory meeting – with safety being given as reason for closures, however by end of meeting this had changed to community closure as Education needed the space. 31st March a letter was then sent to Paul Vaughan from Andy Peddie, detailing the difficulties our community has faced with regards this issue and the frustration felt due to the decisions made by Fife Council Communities and Neighbourhood Team to give the space to Education to allow the school to function, without exploring alternative options. Letter was clear that the Community would not tolerate their services being closed again in the future should we ever face anything like the pandemic. To date no response to this letter. Cllr Holt keen this issue is brought before the group set up in Fife Council to explore lessons learnt throughout covid.

Local pressure group wrote letter to local organisations seeking their support with pursuing Fife Council to extend opening hours to include and evening and weekend. At the request of the local pressure group, CC issued letter by email to several community groups.

# Anstruther info

Daryl explained the clear aim of the re-designed page and asked all if they were happy with the plans. To this end, all agreed to new plan of accessible community page and DW to follow up with Bill who assisted us with quotations from his colleague for initial re-design. New brief to be given and new quote to be sought. Martin Dibley has provided his support in an email to the use of the funds currently being held from “Team Anster” budget to pay for the re-design of the webpage.

DW will issue invitation via social media to community groups, and it is hoped we get an encouraging response. Anticipated each group would have their own password protected admin space on the site, to upload their latest minutes, news, events etc.

# Queens Jubilee Progress Update

LMcE and SG arranging picnic for Sunday 5th June 2-4pm at Bankie Park, wet weather alternative close by. Toilets could be used at ENC. Quotes for inflatables, face painters, clown etc. being gathered. First responders happy to cover first aid and potential to arrange photographic exhibition. Application to be submitted for use of the park. Deadline missed for lottery funding; other sources are being explored. Smoothie bike, yoyo’s, traditional games all considered for inclusion at event.

DW to organise insurance.

Response from AHF indicated the beach at the East Basin would be in use over the weekend, therefore not feasible to have fire in that location.

# Transport / RNLI Update

1) Quote from Myles McGregor to conduct transport survey, based on all info gathered from the PAS transport consultation at cost of £5K. Local cycle group will fund 50% and LCPB to be applied for and Local Fund for Smarter Choices

2)Whilst new shed being built, RNLI to provide alternative car parking. Agreement reached with local farmer Mr Wilson to use land near Coop, as a park and ride base. This is a fitting example of local businessman helping charity with no financial gain. Now, FC asking for farmer's road to be widened - this is at an excessive cost to the RNLI and could have a detrimental effect on the whole project. CC propose tourist buses could park on road into Waid instead of park and ride location. Meeting to take place tomorrow to try to resolve this difficult situation - GMcL to attend on CC behalf.

3) Consultants report on feasibility of future use of shed. Final format of report will be published soon as Assessor can give estimate of value (was attending building today 11th April). Draft report states it would be viable to transfer asset to community - next step would be to create a steering group to move this forward. Process is report to be presented to office bearers who will then circulate to all CC and community members.

# Secretary’s Report

15/3/22 Emails to FC Estates re CC decision on CGF land at Anstruther Golf Club, FC Transportation to state our views on proposed speedbumps as per March meeting. Freedom of Information request submitted to FC re the closure of the Waid Community Campus Library.

Bill P declared his interest as he is Senior convenor of AGC – their members wish to know if funds end up in the CGF - DW to email again - Golf Club now being charged more and wish to know if community benefit.

Email sent to Anstruther Harbour Festival with our proposed plans for Queens Jubilee, in response they stated the East Basin beach area will be in use over the weekend and due to lack of parking suggested we host the picnic on an alternative weekend. Flag purchased for the Jubilee event.

Email received 18/3 from FCCT re costings for Crawhill footbridge. Approx. cost of £7781 to undertake the work. DW to email in response to state CC have no funds to assist with this matter and questioning the previous decision from FCCT to replace bridge with stepping stones, query ownership/responsibility and ask if woodland trust involved.

21/3 Excess litter down Anstruther Harbour duly reported to Fife Council and Mr. Anderson (FC) will adjust the schedule for litter collection considering the increased footfall due to better weather and Easter holidays.

31/3 Email sent to Paul Vaughan seeking explanation of Waid Community Campus closure for duration of pandemic and seeking reassurances this would not happen again in the future.

05/04 Continued emails re problem with path obstruction at Wee Chippy. Emails to Kingdom Housing (to date no response) and Cllr Holt followed up with Fife Council. Advised proprietor to keep emailing Fife Council (Lesley Craig) and Cllr Holt to follow up again with FC.

02/04 Email to Alan at Muir Homes to enquire re progress of Wall once again at Silverdykes. Alan responded by email 08/04 to advise the work will commence on Monday 11th April, with the intention to complete as soon as possible. LJ confirmed work did commence this morning.

07/04 Contacted by Tay Screen re potential fashion shoot at Cellardyke Harbour, info circulated, and all agreed a fantastic opportunity for the area.

# Treasurer’s Report

Bank statement end of March: £103,971.25

Money in: Scottish Land Fund - £4,200 and £7,680, bank interest - £10.99

Money out: Pathhead - £1,442.50

Have received a thank you letter from David Thomson treasurer of the RNLI

End of financial year. Will prepare accounts for June meeting. Three uncashed cheques to be carried forward (RNLI, Midget Squid, ENCT)

# Councillor’s Report

Cllr Porteous wished to raise item being brought before Council on Thursday regarding Common Good Fund. Concerned the recommendation for the meeting is being put before Council without consulting with communities. Paul Vaughan (Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods Fife Council) gave assurance no decisions will be made prior to any consultation with communities. No decisions will be made before September - advised Community Council to keep this item on agenda and raise with new councillors.

Cllr Holt advised issue being brought to council following couple of incidents whereby CGF revenue has been used to repair/restore Fife Council buildings that have been neglected for years. FC are proposing to employ 2 surveyors to undertake assessment of all CGF properties over 2 years and determine a schedule of work to bring properties up to standard and they propose CGF bear the financial responsibility for this. Anticipated the CGF will be disproportionally split to cover these costs that ultimately should have been avoided initially by Fife Council undertaking regular maintenance.

Community Council to write and express concern about this proposal. DW to follow up.

Cllr Docherty is now standing as an independent candidate in the forthcoming elections.

# Representation from other groups

FLORAL Monday 25th April meeting to be held in Burgh Chambers at 7:30pm. LMcK enquired with FC maintenance re plants for Haven, however, as was already planted last year it is now no longer on their schedule of works for this year.

Beautiful Fife is not taking place this year due to judging issues, however it is anticipated it will return in 2023.

MLT - Trustees held their annual Public Meeting in the hostel on Thursday 7th April. Glenn Jones (Kilrenny and Anstruther Burgh Collection), Laura Jane Duncan (Cellardyke Tidal Pool), Sheila Taylor and Shona Muirhead (St Ayles Rowing Club} along to give the trustees feedback on how they used their grants.

ANSTRUTHER SKATEPARK GROUP - Meeting every couple of weeks with monthly meetings with Fife Council. 3 new adult members joined the group, FC applied on their behalf to Sports Lottery Fund, awaiting response. Consultation timetable - SWOT analysis on 6 different spaces across the East Neuk to identify main barrier/opportunities for each space. Consultation to run from Mid-May to mid-June, involving series of survey, public events, and coop. On basis of analysis and consultation it should determine the location of the proposed park.

DREELSIDE PARK UPGRADE - DW reported all funding was in place and all conditions met from FET. Now await Fife Council to tender and award contract, source equipment. Anticipated to begin around September 2022. 250 Trees were planted in the park last week, funded through the Queens Canopy Project. Organised by Ali McLeod

# AOCB

LJ raised issue of white lines still in need of painting at top of Haven Brae, Cllr Holt has previously followed this up and she will pursue this further. Road in question known as Shore Wynd.

All works previously organised by SLC on Tods Green has still not commenced. Daryl to contact James McKenzie to follow up timescale.

Toilets at Cellardyke Coastal Pool have not been getting opened/cleaned. AP to follow up with Fife Council

Council elections to be held 5th May, therefore this is the final meeting with our current three elected members. All elected member offered their gratitude to the community councillors for the great work they have undertaken over the past few years and for voluntarily taking on this role.

Andy Peddie thanked the elected members for their diligence throughout their term and their regular attendance and commitment to the community council and wished all success in their future campaign’s and to Cllr Porteous in his retirement.

# Next Meeting

Monday 9th May 7:30pm in the East Neuk Centre