**Joint Shared Use Path Group**

**Minutes of meeting held on Friday 22nd September 2023 in New Town Hall, Pittenweem**

**Present:** Gerald Cooper, Peter Mills, John Marston, Cllr Alycia Hayes, Holly Hunter

**Apologie**s: Allan MacLean, Gillian Clark, Pauline Leckie, Ali McLeod, Carl van der Lee, Jim Woods, Nigel Mathers, and Elizabeth Riches.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting:** Proposed and seconded as correct by PM and JM
2. **Sustrans/ENCAP/Fife Council**

**Sustrans** – GC, PM and HH met with Pauline Leckie on 29th August.

**Fife Council** – HHreported that FC were embarking on an Active Travel Strategy including aspirational network maps for walking and cycling. This follows on from the Local Transport Strategy 2023-2033. Public Consultation will commence in November and will be reported back to Committee by April 2024, to be signed off in the summer.

HH reported that AM is also looking for quick wins which do not involve land acquisition or Orders.

**ENCAP** – are looking at land ownership to the rear of Pittenweem, including Common Good land.

1. **Joint Working Group Update**
2. **Newsletter**- the plan has been amended, but the vast majority of signatures are still to be sent to HH, especially those for the under 16’s (or their parents). [only 6 signatures obtained]. **These have to be back with HH within 1 week**. Will ER please take responsibility for chasing up the Anstruther signatures, and does her list of attendees include any authorisations?
3. **Land Negotiation progress –** Alan Paul has agreed to use consultants funded by the remaining £5k from Sustrans. Michael will speak with Gillian to utilise say, Savills, who she is to meet anyway in the next 2 weeks.
4. **Dreelside Path-**  work will re-commence around 2nd October to be completed by the end of that month.
5. **Replacement of LEDs** on the existing Dreelside Park path – this will take place following completion of the above, following an inspection by Mark Burns.
6. **Future Pittenweem to Anstruther programme –** no change - still a named Sustrans scheme from summer 2022. And there are no planned panel dates.
7. **Counts and monitoring**- After counts will be arranged when required. After count at St Andrews Road will be arranged 6 months after works completion. GC to check whether he is happy with existing Before counts on Pittenweem to Anstruther.
8. **AOCB – none.**
9. **DONM. Friday 3rd November at 2.00 pm in Murray Studios, Anstruther.**
10. **Anstruther SUPG Updates**
11. **Metaflake to Barnett’s** –Acknowledgement and directional signs to be installed following end of Dreelside works. Also probable re-surfacing.
12. **St Andrew’s Road widening** – due to finish by 29th September. But the contractor will need to return to undertake some overnight resurfacing.
13. **Barnett’s to St Andrews Road widening** – as above. Signposting signs to be installed following end of Dreelside works.
14. Grass cutting A917 Windmill Road to Kilrenny bridge. HH to check with Maintenance why both sides of SUP, including remote section behind fence, has not had the verges cut. The verge on the field side will need to be strimmed. Elsewhere it is 1m wide. HH to ensure that the grass cutting plans are updated.
15. **Fife Council Small Works Contract programme** – GC had provided HH with a priority list in the format required by FC. GC requested a provisional programme for these to be undertaken. These will be added to AM’s quick win list because land and orders are not required for the vast majority of them.
16. **Safer Routes to School** – with the new paths constructed the routes will need to be updated. ER will contact Dawn Redman, Business Manager, at Waid.
17. **A917 Kilrenny to Crail**
18. Further work will be on hold until guidance is obtained from Sustrans and Fife Council on the feasibility of a footpath remote from A917 and its future maintenance.
19. HH reported that she has a meeting lined up with Roddy Thomas of Sustrans who apparently favours an extension to the National Cycle Network from Kirkcaldy around the coast to St Andrews and beyond. HH will report back, and GC and PM are keen to meet him to discuss this scheme and other ENCAP proposals. The NCN favours more remote and scenic routes.