

# Auchtermuchty & Strathmiglo Community Council

Minute of the 6th Meeting of the Community Council,  
Held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
in Auchtermuchty Community Centre

PRESENT: Helen BOWMAN [Auchtermuchty], Maaïke COOK [Strathmiglo], Jane FREER [Auchtermuchty], Susan JACK [Gateside], Alan MUIRHEAD [Auchtermuchty], Bobby THOMSON [Gateside], Bill TORRANCE [Strathmiglo], Cllr. Donald LOTHIAN

ATTENDING: 1 member of the public.

- 1.0 WELCOME & APOLOGIES: The Chair welcomed Community Councillors, Fife Councillors and members of the public

Apologies: Marj KEDDIE [Auchtermuchty], Jane KERR [Strathmiglo], Ian MCCAULAY [Dunshalt], Matthew MCDONALD [Dunshalt], Valerie WEIR [Gateside], Cllr. Andy HEER, , Cllr. David MACDAIRMID, PC. Parker, PC. Goudie

- 2.0 Police Matters:

2.1 CCM report; now includes Strathmiglo specific details.

Though no officers were present the Secretary pointed out that they were very good at replying to emails if issues were to arise, and there was always the option of phoning 101 or Crimestoppers.

- 3.0 Declarations of Interest: none

It was agreed that declarations would be made as the topic is reached in the Agenda.

- 4.0 Minutes of Meeting: the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in Strathmiglo Public Hall were accepted.

- 5.0 Matters Arising:

- 5.1 10.2 - a question was raised as to the possible placing of a paper copy of the Community Council training packs in the local library branch for those unable to access them online. The Chair and Secretary will pursue.
- 5.2 5.5 - [fly tipping] the Secretary was told that, where a building is in a condition requiring action, Fife Council can compulsory purchase then demolish seeking costs from the owners where found or the Scottish Government. The building in question was not deemed to be in such a condition.
- 5.3 7.2.2 - the Secretary has contacted Fife Transportation to ask that the part of Burnside between Cupar Road and Station Road be included in works to be undertaken on Station Road.
- 5.4 10.5 - the Chair has made a submission making the point that banks in our area have already closed requiring transport to be available to conduct the majority of business.

- 6.0 Other Business; none

- 7.0 Fife Council

- 7.1 Auchtermuchty

7.1.1 Health Centre meeting; no word about the proposed meeting. Secretary will contact the Centre to remind them.

7.1.2 Library hours; changes are being made to the opening hours of the library branch, good news is that they are increasing. Leaflets detailing the changes are available.

7.1.3 Dog fouling; public notices are displayed but the problem, it is felt, is worsening. Reporting incidents to the Dog Wardens should be done where possible in order that owners can be cautioned. Chair will contact Wardens to seek advice.

7.2 Dunshalt; none

7.3 Gateside

7.3.1 Potholes; A91 still in a state of disrepair, the temporary repairs are very temporary.

7.3.2 Speeding; continues to be an issue.

7.4 Strathmiglo;

7.4.1 A91 road marking; we await the remarking of the A91 after the road works. It was asked if they were in the area they might want to repaint the markings at the Toll bridge on the A912.

7.4.2 Cash Feus; the road condition in general needs attended to but area between Kirk Wynd junction and West Road junction in particular.

8.0 Other Service Providers; none

9.0 Planning Applications; The Secretary drew attention to applications that appeared on the Fife list since the last meeting.

Of note;

9.1 Application in Strathmiglo, Kirk Wynd. This initially has been posted with no documents attached. Secretary and B. Torrance will check to see if they appear.

9.2 Bellfield development; B. Torrance noted that considerable works have been undertaken on the site yet the application is still pending a decision, unless he has missed something.

General discussion took place regarding a number of developments that have been causing concern to residents in Auchtermuchty.

10.0 Correspondence; this has been circulated to members via email, items brought to the attention of the meeting:

10.1 Review of Community Councils; a Review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils is to be undertaken this year.

10.2 Planning Democracy; a conference has been organised by the group, "Planning Democracy SCIO", on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May. The Community Council agreed to cover costs [[fee £20 plus reasonable expenses]. J. Freer will attend. [planningdemocracy.org.uk]

11.0 AOCB

11.1 Auchtermuchty in Bloom; comment was made as to how well the planters looked. A report was given on the activities of the group.

11.2 Meetings of the Community Council; following a question regarding the calendar of meetings the Secretary pointed out that the Council has 10 meetings a year not meeting in July or December.

11.3 Finances of the Community Council; a question was asked as to how monies were dispersed to the local Community Associations and what they do with it. The Treasurer pointed out that monies are given to the groups as they provide the Community Council with a valuable source of local contact, what they do with the funds is left for them to decide. Further discussion is expected to take place at the AGM in June.

12.0 Date and venue of next meeting of the Community Council.

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019, 7.30pm, Dunshalt Village Hall.**