

DAIRSIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minute of meeting held on Thurs 26th March 2009 at 7.30pm in Memorial Hall.

Present – N Davis, E Woodcock, S Hain, D May, S Sulaiman, Cllrs Guy and Kennedy and 2 members of the public.

Apologies – B Littlejohn and J Dowling.

Chairman's Welcome- The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and intimated that Mrs Williamson had resigned from the Community Council for personal reasons and that her contribution to the Community Council had been very much appreciated. She introduced Mr Shariff Sulaiman to the Community Council. He was well known in the local community and as all the Community Council vacancies had not been filled, Mr Sulaiman had correctly completed the appropriate nomination forms and was a fully voting member of the Community Council.

Minutes of Jan meeting- These had been previously distributed and were adopted as correct.

Matters Arising-

Pittormie Planning- The Chairman had discussed this issue with Robin Evetts of Historic Scotland who had had a recent meeting. At the moment Historic Scotland was pleased with the progress. There would be 8 cottages. The Treasurer had had a phone call from Fife Council regarding access concerns. Alterations had been made and Fife Council was satisfied.

Resurfacing of Main Street- It was agreed the work was well organised and well done. However the contractor's lorries had further damaged road and pavement surfaces in Station Road and Ardencaple Tce.

Road Junction at Dairsie Bridge- Gordon Hughes had returned to work. A site meeting with the police would be arranged. It had been agreed to delineate the carriageway 10m from the bridge after April.

Parking Area at Cemetery- This was to be assessed and appraised by Transportation.

Tree Preservation Order Main Street- Trees in the park were an environmental issue and the Pitcairn Trust needed to be nominated to deal with professionals.

Boundary Post at 17 Main Street- needed to be replaced

Control box- would be turfed up as far as possible.

Update of snagging list - Mr Hain was continuing to pursue uncompleted items. Various officials had been on sick leave and would return soon. It was hoped that

outstanding work said to have been done but had not been done would finally be completed after 2 years.

Parking on pavements and on the zigzags – This was still occurring. There had been complaints about obstruction caused to prams and pushchairs. The police had been informed.

Slow Down Sign at East End of the village- Had never materialised although previously promised. Mr Gilbert would follow through.

Core Paths- Mrs Dowling had submitted a report as she had to attend another meeting. The Core Path beside the Moonzie Burn had been repaired by Fife Council. It was a job well done.

Planning Letter sent to Cathy Kinnear- There had been a reply. The Finalised Plan would be reviewed to reflect changes mid 2009 and would be filed as an objection to the Local Plan.

D May queried Fife Council's website re Planning Issues. The Environmental Assessment site said they were taking objections on Local Plan now. He thought it needed clarifying that we did not need to wait for the formal consultation.

Clayton West Lodge Outline Planning for 13 houses- Fife Council Central Planning Committee had thrown this out as it was against the Local Plan.

There was long discussion about the interpretation of figures, letters and issues as highlighted in previous minutes. It was agreed to ask for clarity from Fife Council.

Health concerns re proposed issue of grey bins. Fife Council wished to make clear there was not a problem.

Councillors' Reports- The key issues re Dairsie had already been addressed.

St Andrews and NE Fife Local Plan was the next issue possibly August. The new Planning Act asked developers to engage with local communities. The Community Council needed to be aware of the possibility of developers asking for the village envelope to be extended and to expect developers to talk to local communities.

Correspondence- A plethora of pamphlets and items of information were circulated. There was a discussion re the completion of a survey about the joint management of small schools. There was concern about looking to the correct catchment areas. Dairsie could be linked to Balmullo but wanted the Bell Baxter catchment area. Dairsie church was also linked to Cupar. The point was raised that the Kemback catchment area had not been reviewed.

Treasurer- The Treasurer reported that the website money was not required until next year. Savings Account- not much interest this year. Figures would be available for the AGM. There was difficulty having the accounts audited in time because of the long wait for bank annual certificates. Funds had been distributed to Hall £145, Newsletter £25, Pitcairn Trust £80, Youth Club £25, Hall Rent £60.