

NORTH QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD ON 13 June 2002

Present: A Neville - Chairman
 J Dyce - Vice Chairman
 J Hawkings - Secretary
 R Thomson - Minute Secretary
 A Monteith - Councillor
 I Mitchell - Councillor

In Attendance: J Cook – Fife Councillor
 A Carmichael – Fife Council (Transportation)

1) **Apologies**

P Dennison, N Kerr, C Ewan

2) **Presentations**

A Carmichael of Fife Council, Transportation Service gave an update on transport funding/initiatives.

- a) Railway Station improvements - to include; cycle lockers, lengthening of the platform, CCTV for station and car park, also a passenger information point. Provisional cost of £397,000 over 3 years.
- b) Forth Road Bridge - intend to replace the maintenance gantry in the near future, this will entail short-term closure of B981 (Main Road) into the village.
- c) Car Parking at Railway Pier – Contractor has applied for planning permission to use this as a temporary car park for contractor's vehicles.

Railtrack and their contractor, Balfour Beatty, gave a presentation on the refurbishment works being carried out on the Forth Bridge. The contract will run over 7 years. Improvements have been made to systems used to contain debris during grit-blasting operations. Some work will be carried out at night and efforts will be made to minimise disruption to the village. Consultation with the Community Council will be ongoing. An helpline is available on 08457 114141.

3) **Minutes of previous meeting**

Proposed by I Mitchell, seconded by A Monteith

4) **Matters arising**

- a) Library – Response received from Fife Council replying to objections raised regarding the questionnaire and consultation process. A response will be sent. **Action J Hawkings**
- b) Bus Service – 53 will be withdrawn but replaced by X50 service
- c) Forth Bridge Works – meeting held with contractors, awaiting planning approval for parking at the Marina. Parking for visitors at the bridge will be preserved.

5) **Fife Councillor's Business**

- a) Litter bins – ongoing
- b) Signs – raised with Transportation Service
- c) Harbour – proposal raised by Fife Council for establishing a forum for harbour users
- d) Environmental enhancements – meeting held to discuss improvements at Mounthooly
- e) Community Centre Car Park – funding to be sought for works

6) **Police Matters**

Report by PC McGurk – 10 calls to the village, including bogus window cleaners. Vehicle excise action plan has been successful and will continue. Monitoring of speeding will continue. Parking near the school has been a recent campaign issue. Special Constables are being recruited, contact Sgt Graham at Dalgety Bay (01383 318900).

7) **Vice Chairmans' Business**

- a) The Community Centre AGM will be held on 30 June

8) **Chairman's Business**

- a) Scottish Enterprise Fife – letter received from Scott Harper regarding outstanding work. Response to be sent regarding the handrail on the Brae, Piggery Steps and the restriction of the pier. S Harper to be invited to Council meeting. **Action J Hawkings**
- b) DSW Liaison Meeting – issue of larger buses discussed, decided that current restrictions should continue, letter to be sent **Action J Hawkings**
- c) Sewage at Croupie Beach – Helen Eadie MSP has written to Scottish Water. Response received, admitting the problem and advising that the pump has been attended to.
- d) Meeting with Transportation Service regarding the piers – lack of funding to complete all repairs. Potential to develop the Marina was discussed, it may be possible to secure external funding. Letter to be sent requesting further investigation into this matter.

9) **Treasurer's Report**

Not present

10) **Locality Manager**

Not present

11) **Correspondence**

A full list is available from the Secretary on request

12) **AOCB**

Nothing raised

**NEXT MEETING – Thursday 8th August, 7.30pm,
Community Centre
ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME**