

NORTH QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD ON 12 September 2002

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

In Attendance: J Cook – Fife Councillor
 G Doherty - Locality Manager
 Police Constable Maylin

1) **Apologies**

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2) **Minutes of previous meeting (8 August 2002)**

Proposed A Monteith, seconded A Neville

3) **Matters arising**

- a) East Bay funding – Ongoing
- b) Obstructed footpaths – ongoing
- c) Community Centre – Former library room is now available for hire as a meeting room. Documents relating to the closure of the library to be copied to local MSPs to illustrate that the consultation process did not follow the principles set out in the Macintosh Report.

4) **Police Matters**

16 calls received including one attempted break-in. Parking on Main Street will be monitored. Speeding will be monitored. Police Surgery will be held 1st Tuesday of each month at Inverkeithing Civic Centre 2pm – 4pm. Proposed Community Safety event in N Queensferry, details to be confirmed.

5) **Fife Councillor's Business**

- a) Contractor's Car Parking - Planning permission not yet granted. To be followed up. **ACTION J COOK**
- b) Water Liaison Meeting – Helen Place, no plans to remove this facility at present. Odour problems – work now completed.
- c) Paper Mill – improvement notice issued by SEPA (for foul odours) has not been complied with, report sent to Procurator Fiscal.
- d) Community Councils – Fife Council are to meet with all CCs and discuss various issues relating to their function.
- e) Overgrown vegetation – passed to Transportation Service. Piggery Steps badly overgrown. Locality Manager to meet and discuss areas affected. **ACTION - G Doherty, J Dyce, J Cook**
- f) Scottish Water are not maintaining area around new outfall pipe. **ACTION - A Neville**

- g) Community Centre Car Park – Project funding approved. Other projects to be considered.
 - h) School – New toilets are to be built.
 - i) Remembrance Sunday – planning underway
 - j) Development at Carlingnose Point – Planning are investigating complaints from residents. Ongoing. **Action – A Neville**
- 6) **Vice Chairmans' Business**
- a) Railtrack – lights on footbridge vandalised, announcements inaudible, Railtrack to be contacted. **ACTION - N Kerr**
 - b) Buses – the change of frequency was due to economic pressures. Alternatives have been suggested to Stagecoach and Fife Council. Fife Council to be contacted regarding tender process and routes. **ACTION - J Hawkings**
- 7) **Chairman's Business**
- a) Ferry News – Article to be prepared and submitted. **ACTION - J Hawkings**
 - b) Rights of Way
 - i) Charles Black Lane – householder intimidating and obstructing Right of Way. Theresa Constable (Planning) to be contacted. **ACTION - J Cook, A Neville**
 - ii) Piggery Steps – becoming restricted and not signed.
 - iii) East Bay – Signs not yet in place. **ACTION - J Cook**
 - c) Scottish Enterprise Fife – Letter to be sent to senior management regarding lack of contact. **ACTION - J Hawkings**
- 8) **Treasurer's Report**
Not present
- 9) **Locality Manager**
- a) Hand rail on Main Road – complaints from residents about the restriction to footpath width. Consideration to be given to relocate.
 - b) Car Park (Community Centre) – funding obtained from capital budgets
 - c) Brock St / Whinneyknowe – improvements proposed to street lighting
 - d) Mounthooly – site meeting held to discuss environmental improvements, funding being sought. Further discussions will be held if funding is secured.
- 10) **Correspondence**
A full list is available from the Secretary on request.
- a) Planning application for development at Dean Cottage has been withdrawn. Letter to be sent to Planning objecting to development of this site.

11) **AOCB**

- a) Floral enhancements – bulb planting planning meeting to be arranged.
- b) SWT Carlingnose Reserve meeting to be held at the end of September.
- c) Beach Watch – 21st and 22nd of September
- d) Port Laing Beach – enquiry to be made to Fife Council regarding access and parking
- e) BT Broadband – British Telecom had indicated that if 650 persons register interest in high-speed access via Inverkeithing exchange, the exchange would be upgraded. Residents should be encouraged to register see www.btopenworld.co.uk for details.

**NEXT MEETING – Thursday 10th October, 7.30 pm,
North Queensferry Community Centre**

ALL RESIDENTS WELCOME