

North Queensferry Community Council

10th July 2008

Present: Iain Mitchell Chairman
David Greig Vice Chairman
Colin Bell Councillor
Pat Dennison Councillor
Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier Councillor
James Lawson Councillor
Christina McKenzie Treasurer

Apologies: Jan Short Councillor
Brian Armstrong Councillor

In attendance: Police, 2 residents, Andy McLaren and Glen Ford from *Scottish Water Solutions*.

Police Report

A police report was provided.

Previous minutes

Aside from a couple of typing errors, minutes from previous meeting were accepted.

Matters Arising

Quarry:

Viewing point still not been cleared as people can't see beyond the tunnel. **JL**

Toilet block:

JL received email from Transportation who investigated matter further. However, they advised it is not owned by them but *Environmental Services*, who are supportive of knocking it down.

Marina:

Concern raised over state of car park. Person in charge of it has been advised and will get it cleared asap.

Repairs to East Bay Steps:

It is estimated that in order to fix it professionally, the sum of £7,500 + VAT would need to be raised. It was mentioned in a previous meetings that East Bay residents were responsible for the steps and some have it stipulated in their title deeds. Fife Council has advised that they would be willing to offer advice but not funds. *Deep Sea World* has expressed an interest in contributing towards repairs.

Replacement of current sewage works:

AM & GF from *Scottish Water Solutions* presented plans of water works which are about to start. £2million budget to put in a temporary replacement and then build a new sewage system right on top of temporary one. It was queried why NQ was not directly connected to Dunfermline and AM suggested it might be a matter of cost as connecting NQ to Dunfermline would be more costly than repairing current system. Job will last roughly 40weeks and right of way will not be accessible throughout. Fife Coastal Path people consulted. During this period Tankers will take away sludge and new 'odour scrubber units' will be installed. Ongoing outfall issue on Barclay Road was brought to AM's attention but he advised they couldn't help with that but would pass message on to relevant authority as they work in the same office. **CB to put map of works in Community Centre.**

Ferryhills Rd Development:

There's been a proposal in relation to land owned by the quarry to designate an area to the south of Ferryhills Road for mixed development. Proposal and plans were circulated. Also concerns were raised

over a linked proposal at the foreshore below high water mark. It was agreed to oppose these designations.
PD

Forth Road Funding:

It was pointed out that Rosyth Liaison Group has £10,000 to protect their waterfront. Look into possibility of protecting our waterfront too. **ALL to write a list of projects we would like doing e.g. Railway Station etc.**

IM has written to Forth Crossing Team asking to attend a meeting (October?) with Council to highlight issues.

Co-option of Councillor

Secret ballot took place and all members present voted unanimously to co-opt Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier as a councillor.

Planning Applications

13 Whinneyknowe – single store rear extension

1 Carlingnose Way

Chairman's Report

- Railway Station making progress
- FETA offices in SQ have become vacant. Ferry Visitor Centre to move there.
- Mount a substitute exhibition on Railway Heritage to encourage visitors to travel by train rather than car.
- Interest expressed by Jubilee FM in the possibility of studio space.
- Possible sources of funding Fife Environment Trust & Transport Scotland.

Vice Chairman's Report

DG provided a brief report of the lottery fund bid for the SOB project.

A list of 6 architects was presented to take a look at site and come up with a picture of what it would look like, a budget and consultation fees (2 short listed). GAYA appointed (they carried out work for Glencoe Visitor Centre).

Application to lottery to part fund project.

Heritage Trust (West Bay Trust) to deal with Town Pier.

There was an invitation to have an informal discussion sharing different projects to be presented for funding from lottery. **IM to chair.**

Treasurer's Report

Fund of £3,232, including committed expenditure.

Gala Committee queried why no funds were given to them. CMcK explained that funds be given only if they're requested. GC did not submit a request.

Secretary's Report

Foliage encroaching on footpath at bottom of Main Road. Who is responsible for its maintenance? **CB** Notice to impose 40mile speed limit (we're not in favour). Has this been formerly advised? Make clear displeasure of decision. **IM to pass note to MDF.**

Floral Enhancements

JS currently on holiday.

Web site Development

MDF to take on task of enhancing NQCC site.

Date of Next Meeting

11th September 2008