

North Queensferry Community Council
Minutes
12 February 2009

Present: Iain Mitchell Chairman Brian Armstrong Secretary
James Lawson Councillor Colin Bell Councillor
Jan Short Councillor Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier Councillor
Keith Legg Fife Councillor

Apologies for Absence: Christina McKenzie Treasurer Pat Dennison Councillor

In attendance:

One resident.

Police Report:

Two incidents - A male was observed behaving in a suspicious manner on Ferryhills Road on 20 January and on being apprehended was found to be in possession of a hammer; a glass pane on the door of the kirk was broken on 6 February.

Minutes of previous meeting:

Approved

Matters arising:

FC has still not taken any action regarding repairs to the wall and fencing on the road out of the village or the road surface on The Brae.

Minute Secretary's honorarium – held over to next meeting.

Forth Replacement Crossing:

The recent public meeting was generally seen to have been a great success. Transport Scotland will continue to be pressed on the need for a Village Liaison Committee to meet every three months.

Community Council Support Working Group:

Despite doubts as to the value of such a forum, M Di F-F was nominated as member for the committee area.

Coat of Arms:

Agreed to fund new road signs, depicting the Coat of Arms, at both entrances to the village. As the sign near the road bridge is partially obscured, application will be made to have it re-sited. IM has obtained quotes for the purchase of flags – more work required on funding and siting. If anyone would like to obtain a flag, please contact **IM** on 416240.

Battery Road Car Park:

IM reported that work was in hand for the police to procure to mobile CCTV systems that may be useful in monitoring and deterring anti-social behaviour. KL would pursue the cleaning of the area.

Forth Bridge Memorial:

Funding issues still to be pursued. **KL** was asked to ascertain exactly what the arrangements are for the continued use of the picnic/viewing area under the Rail Bridge.

Floral Enhancement:

JS reported receipt of £500 grant. If anyone could provide a small boat/dinghy that is no longer required, it could provide the basis for a very attractive floral display at the Ferryhills entrance to the village. **JL** offered to pursue the clearing of the Jubilee Well area with FC.

Small Schools Consultation:

In view of the school roll, no response to the consultation is considered necessary.

Cruicks Quarry:

In view of the long stand opposition of many in the village, based on the perceived potential for damage to properties and concern and anxiety induced by noise and vibration, it was agreed that an objection should be submitted to Tarmac's application to extend the life of the quarry by three years. **BA** to draft.

Treasurer's Report:

Not available.

Secretary's Report (including correspondence):

BA advised on all correspondence received.

Planning Applications:

Fife Council wished to enhance the Park & Ride facilities at Ferrytoll – no objection. An application has been submitted to provide a day nursery facility for up to 20 children Northcliff Lodge on Main Road. **BA** to submit an objection on the grounds of road safety.

Fife Councillors' Reports:

Nothing of significance to report. **BA** to pass point of contact for of Criminal Services Justices Services to **KL**

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 12 March at 7.30 p.m.