

# NORTH QUEENSFERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the new Community Council held on 20 May 1998

Present: Councillors M Gaskin, D Gaskin, P Dennison, N Kerr, A Monteith, J Dyce, J Taylor, C Ewen, E Yuille

In Attendance: Inspector Dodds, A Neville

Apologies: Councillor J Cook

### 1. Election of Office Bearers

Position	Elected	Nominated by	Seconded by
Chairman	P Dennison *	E Yuille	N Kerr
Vice-Chairman	J Dyce	M Gaskin	A Monteith
Vice-Chairman	M Gaskin	P Dennison	J Taylor
Secretary	N Kerr	A Monteith	M Gaskin
Treasurer	D Gaskin	N Kerr	C Ewen
Minutes Secretary	E Yuille	C Ewen	M Gaskin

\* P Dennison accepted the post, and wished it noted that ideally the Chair should be someone who is not working full time due to the time commitments the post requires. The Vice-Chairman will have to take on the extra load if the Chairman is not available.

### 2. Minutes : Approved

### 3. Matters Arising

#### a) *Village Improvements Phase 2*

- Plans are available for consultation .contact P Dennison

#### b) *Coastal Path*

- Chair to contact Jim Robertson to find out when promised works are due to start.

ACTION: Chair

#### c) *Piggery Steps*

- Reply received from Keith Mason (FC) .awaiting further info. File to be passed to Chair to progress. ACTION : Chair (Secretary)

#### d) *DSW Liaison*

- Meeting due 21 May .D Symington is due to attend - J Dyce will also attend.

ACTION: J Dyce

**e) Marina**

- Mike Thorpe (EC Harbours & Roads) has written to NQCC and proposes meeting with the Community Council & the Boat Club 3 times per annum to discuss the Marina, Railway Pier & Town Pier. We will take this offer up.
- A sub-committee of M Gaskin, J Dyce, J Taylor, P Dennison, A Monteith is to be formed to look at alternatives to keep/return the good condition of the bay.
- The Community Council have also commented on this area in their response to the Draft local Plan.
- Mike Thorpe is following these comments up.
- FC will maintain the Town Pier for ferry passengers.
- FC have no plans to develop or sell off the marina.
- It is possible that an application could be made to Historic Scotland for monies.

ACTION : Chair

**f) Fife Enterprise Improvements**

- A letter was received from Scott Harper on 20/4. The improvements are not progressing at present due to a lack of the right stone.
- Scott Harper are still due to forward a program of works.

ACTION: M Gaskin

**g) Cruicks Quarry**

- Tilcon have re-applied for planning permission.
- FC are reviewing all quarry applications.
- Tilcon may be able to extend their current quarrying under a 1940's planning law.
- M Gaskin has re-iterated our objections to FC.
  
- We should approach Tilcon to fund a measurement study in the village, organised by ourselves.

ACTION: A Neville

**h) Railtrack**

- Provisionally Railtrack will do a public presentation on Wednesday June 17. To be confirmed. Points to be raised .Overview of bridge works, they will take responsibility, they will provide contact point & visible phone no., they will take account of villagers views on noise & dirt, condition of station.

ACTION: Secretary

**i) Road Safety**

- Reply received from FC re 20mph they are doing a survey into speeds on Main Road, however the scheme in other villages is purely experimental at present.
- It often seems that road safety measures are only tied in with new property developments.
- The proposed installation of the 'nib' at the school is welcomed by the Community Council.
- We await details as to what is proposed for Ferryhills road, and when it will commence.

ACTION: Secretary

**i) Art Prize**

- An application has been received from the Gala Committee for an Art Prize. This will be

dependant upon receiving their audited accounts, and us receiving our new grant.  
ACTION : Treasurer

***j) Community Council Grant***

- We need to ensure we have applied for our 98/99 grant.

ACTION: Treasurer

***k) Dog Bins***

- We need to reply re the siting of dog bins.

ACTION : A Monteith

***l) Dog Warden***

- Concern was expressed over stray dogs around Brock Street - Dog Warden to be contacted.

ACTION: J Dyce

***m) Parking at Ferrybridge Hotel***

- This has now lingered on for many years. To be raised as a matter of precedence with FC.

ACTION: Chair

***n) Aeroplane Noise***

Nuisance is again being caused by aircraft noise .Edinburgh Airport to be contacted.

ACTION : A Neville

***o) Co-Opted***

- Adrian Neville was co-opted onto the Community Council. Proposed J Taylor, seconded A Monteith.
- David Symington was co-opted onto the Community Council as a non-voting member with responsibility of maintaining the Community Council's web-site. Proposed M Gaskin, seconded N Kerr.

***p) Planning Matters***

- The plans for park and ride at Ferrytoll were reviewed.

Next meeting: Wednesday 3rd June 1998