

**Minutes of Meeting of Community Council held on
3rd February, 1999.**

Present:

P Dennison	Chairman
M Gaskin	Vice Chairman
J Dyce	Vice-Chairman
N Kerr	Secretary
D Gaskin	Treasurer
E Yuille	Minute Secretary
A Neville	Councillor
J Taylor	Councillor
A Monteith	Councillor
C Ewen	Councillor
D Symington	Councillor

In Attendance: Inspector Dodds
 Councillor Cook
 1 Resident

1. Apologies: None
2. Minutes: Approved but amend 6J “Napier” not Laker. 6L “Keith Mason” not Roads Department. 6N “Objection” sent not query. 10F delete last sentence starting “letter to be sent”.
3. Matters Arising
 - a) Significant response to petition against proposed removal of station building. Copies sent to Railway Preservation Society - Helen Eadie, Councillor Cook, Gordon Brown M.P. , Historic Scotland and Dunfermline Press. Gordon Brown and Historic Scotland have contacted Rail-Track re this - No decision to be made until Spring.
 - b). Access to Croupie Beach - Following letter from Chairman to Fife Council meeting held attended by residents - Chairman and Fife Council representatives. Council feels above is responsibility of residents but will give advice. East Bay Residents Association now formed.
 - c). Lighthouse. - No further progress. Reminder to be sent to Locality Manager re previous request to follow this up.
ACTION - Secretary.
 - d) Marina - Requested meeting with Fife Council not yet arranged by Fife Council.
 - e). Charles Black Lane - Keith Mason. Fife Council Law and Administration has acknowledged that evidence sent to him by Chairman proves existence of lane.
 - f). West Fife Planning Committee - Keith Mason can see nothing improper in the apparent anomalies of above planning decisions. Councillor Cook suggested that if people in the community had lost faith in their planning department they could write to “Head of Planning” for Fife and ask for a public enquiry.
4. Fife Councillor’s Business
 - a). Repairs to sea wall at Croupie Beach- query if Fife Environment Trust will pay for seal wall. Chairman and Secretary NQCC had already met with representatives of same but this possibility was not discussed. Above will be brought up at next F.C. Development

Meeting.

- b). Fence at back of Brock Street .repairs in hand.
- c). Bus service (Brock Street). Continuing complaints from residents over perceived poor standard of service. Query if standard official timetable available. Issue to be raised with transport convenor.

ACTION .Councillor Cook.

- d). Roads .John Halliday from Roads Department has left and at present there is no-one in this post. Therefore, various issues he was dealing with may be delayed. Pot holes on main road and Ferryhills Road will be reported to Ken Gourley as urgent. ACTION .Councillor Cook.

5. Police Matters

- a). December 1998 .1 crime report. 1997 .3.
- b). Fife .Edinburgh Marathon .26th September 900am. This will probably be routed by the west walkway which will result in restrictions, diversions and possibly closures of roads for 1 .1 1/2 hours. Notices will be posted prior to this.
- c). Parking on pavement. .Chairman asked by residents to raise the issue of cars parked on pavement at Police station and danger to pedestrians. Inspector Dodds will investigate.

ACTION .Inspector Dodds.

- d). Ferry Road Sign. .The siting of the name plate for Ferry Road appears to be ambiguous and causing confusion. This is not a police matter but Councillor Cook will write to the Roads Department re this.

ACTION .Councillor Cook.

6. Chairman's Business

- a). West Fife Environmental Health Department .request for NQCC to nominate group or organisation who have done work to enhance local environment. N.Q. Heritage Trust to be nominated for clean up of beaches and coastal path.

ACTION .Chairman

- b). Apology from Gordon Brown, M.P. for being unable to attend Cheese and Wine.
- c). Deep Sea World .Complaints from resident have now been dealt with satisfactorily.
- d). Piggery Steps. .Now cleaned and open
- e). Charles Black Lane .A planning application has been lodged for single storey extension which will impinge on public access. Planning Department does not appear to see this as a problem despite acknowledgement of said lane (3E). NQCC will object to above with copy to Keith Mason

ACTION .Secretary

- f). Lease of Land .East of Scotland Water are said to be going to lease land at East Bay to resident, Mr Schmidt. There is ongoing dispute over ownership of existing road on this land. Such leasing would prevent public access to foreshore at East Bay. NQCC to write objection to registrar, Scotland .East of Scotland Water Board and Keith Mason.

ACTION .Chairman

- g). Headed Notepaper. .Discussion of possible standardised notepaper with heading and logo for use of NQCC. Suggestions for logo to be made at next meeting.

ACTION .All.

- h). Coat of Arms. Various enquiries to be made over procedures to obtain this for the village.

- i). Refurbishing of Station. Chairman to meet with David Small, Project Manager, RailTrack at Dalmeny Station on 10th February at 2.00pm. Also any other members who are free to attend.

7. Vice Chairman's Business

- a). Cruiks Quarry .No reply to request by M. Gaskin to C. Norman, F.C. Planning Department for meeting re update on possible new planning applications.
- b). Piggery Steps. .Bottom end very muddy .possible solution dumping of hardcore. Fife Enterprise to be contacted re this. Also possible delineation of land used by lorries and the steps. Repairs needed to handrail on Brae and ball on Jubilee Fountain.

ACTION .M. Gaskin.

- c). Grit from Railbridge. On complaint from residents prompt action from Environmental Health Officer Plastic sheeting had been damaged in gales .now repaired.
- d). Millennium. As representative on Community Centre Committee J. Dyce was asked to raise the possibility of NQCC initiating plans for millennium celebrations. All organisations who attended cheese and wine to be asked by nominated members to attend meeting at Community Centre on Monday, 22nd February. Chairman will chair until a Chairman is chosen from those attending.

8. Correspondence .Secretary

- a). Status of Helen Lane to Forthside Terrace. Secretary to write asking for specification of area under discussion as some confusion at F.C.

ACTION .Secretary

- b). Planning 27 and 29 Main Street. Application now changed. Reply from Planning Department re NQCC objection states that concern over loss of hardstanding for car not applicable and that demolition of wall (see "correspondence" 3 Dec, 1998) did not require permission as not listed. It is understood by NQCC that this is a conservation area. Request to be sent from NQCC to David Rae, Head of Planning, to attend Council Meeting in April.

ACTION .Secretary, following consultation with Chairman and Vice Chairman.

- c). Development Plan Register and process .M. Gaskin to study
- d). Consultative Housing Plan 98-01 .N. Kerr to study and comment.
- e). Forth Estuary Forum. .J. Taylor to study and comment.
- f). Shoreline Management Plan .A. Neville to study and comment. Inverkeithing Community Council felt there were discrepancies in above report.
- g). Evaluation of West Fife G.P. out of hours service .M. Gaskin to study
- h). Land Reform Policy Group. .A. Neville and A. Monteith to study.
- i). Deep Seal World Illuminated Sign. .Proposal approved by NQCC.
- j). Rig Blast and Marina Parking .the proposed car park is for use of employees. Strong objection from resident backed by NQCC as East of Scotland Water is also working there. Excess traffic .possible speeding .hazard and danger for children. Query why existing parking not sufficient .is there to be increase in personnel. There has been no analysis or impact study carried out. Objection to be sent.

ACTION .Secretary

9. Treasurers Report

- a). £36.39 inbank.
- b). ASCC Report .Again querying our having paid membership. Chairman has already dealt with this twice.

ACTION -Treasurer.

10. AOCB.

- a). Cobbles on Town Pier. .Cobbles lifting despite repair within last two years. Fife

Enterprise to be consulted.

ACTION .M. Gaskin.

b). Pier Damage .Poor repair where boat hit Hammer Head .Roads Department to be notified.

ACTION .Councillor Cook.

c). Heritage Trust .Bob Cubin will hold a Right of Ways walk on Saturday, 20th February. Meeting at War Memorial at 200pm.

d). Sewage Works. .because of excessively bad smells from this area lately following a personal letter from a resident NQCC will now send in complaint to Environmental Health.

ACTION .D. Symington.