

Cowdenbeath Community Council

Minutes for 21st March 2019

1. **PRESENT** : A Haddow, I Burt, A Stott, C Gourlay, A McGillivray, S McGillivray, A Dziennik, D McLean W Aitchison, . (NINE COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS)

Co-opted Members n/a
Elected Members Cllrs A Campbell, A Bain, G Guichan, D Watt
Police F Menzies
Members of the public J Young (proposed & accepted as CoOpted member)
Guests

2. **APOLOGIES**

Community Councillors A Burt, C Hoffland, A Lockhart, P Millmore, I Cuthbertson, L Rae
Elected Members
Co-opted Members
Police

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Proposed: D McLean Seconded: A Dziennik

4. **MATTERS ARISING** – None

5. **POLICE UPDATE** -written report submitted

Community Speedwatch – Volunteers (residents) have been trained to do 'speedwatch'. Training will be put to use in next few weeks. Anyone caught in volunteers speedwatch – letters will be issued to them via Police

Community Woodland. 2/3 people charged with theft of wheelie bins. Messages received from Cowdenbeath Primary that lots of litter/motorbikes at woodland. Resources being made available to tackle these issues.

Park at Bellway (Off White Threshes Road) – concern being expressed by residents in this area. Police have been to assemblies at school to nip issues in the bud

Sgt McIntyre is leaving Cowdenbeath Police and Sgt K Blackwell will replace him. New addition to community police team – PC G Gardner

Question: How often is Police Station manned? Depends on when the clerical staff are working. 6 police constables work out of the station.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- **Local Community Plan** – Fife Council is in the throws of creating local Cowdenbeath Area plan. Looking for community councillors feedback. Video about Cowdenbeath area uploaded to Social Media. Any comments from pages taken note of. Correspondence also issued to community councillors and requests for their feedback to be sent to CG by 7th April.

- **Coalfield Community Futures (community council) projects:**

Repainting of the underpass. AM/CG/LR/IB have met with Transportation representative to check out requirements.(eg H&S, Insurance) Have also contacted artist and CLD youth group. AMcG will organise meeting. *Post meeting note: meeting organised for 24th April*

Wooden Art Sculptures – AM organising to meet with Active Fife Rep. Also Speaking to Schools to find out what kind of animals they'd like to see installed. Proposal is that the First 3 sculptures will be installed at the gateways (eg A92, Silver Birch, Millenium Garden)

Mens Shed – CG has been given contact at AgeScotland. Will organise to meet in next few weeks.

- **Schools Goblin Kit Car Race** – Community Council has agreed to put donation towards this event. 29 schools will be in attendance and it will be held at Central Park Cowdenbeath on 7th June. Agreement by community councillors (by voting at meeting and via email) to donate £50. LR has also volunteered to help on the day.
- **Barriers at the Fountain** Various issues surrounding the installation of barriers discussed.. G Guichan has met with rep from Transportation. Agreement reached that the barriers installed should improve safety, the work done should be professional and it should be cost effective.
- **Relocation of the old planter/seat from green square** – various locations discussed but it was agreed to suggest that it be placed on the space behind the bus stop at the junction bar.

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7. COUNCILLORS REPORT

North End Development – boundary fence has been causing problems. A Bain in communication with workmen and hope they can move fence. When lorries removing earth and driving down High Street, it's causing a mess. When work finished, there will be a deep clean of the High Street.

Mini Roundabout at Morrisons – D Watt working with Transportation on this matter. Could double yellow lines be considered for installation opposite entrance to Morrisons.

Farm Road – Cllrs Campbell and Guichan have had a number of discussions regarding traffic management in this area. Cowdenbeath Area Committee has agreed that –

(1) Transportation officers would arrange to immediately progress a Traffic Regulation Order to install two full speed tables located at either bend on the relevant stretch of Farm Road, Cowdenbeath, the cost of which would be met from the ARP budget road safety allocation;

(2) a detailed engineering design including costings be developed for the construction of off-street parking in Farm Road, Cowdenbeath and included in the ARP as a Category 2 Traffic Management Project; and

(3) the Team Manager (Community Development) would arrange a public meeting, with Transportation officers requested to attend, to communicate the Committee decision above to interested residents and other road users.

Pit Road – are there any plans to put signage up to advise that there is no parking in this area. Expectation is that once work completed, the signage will go up

8. OTHER REPORTS

Treasurers Report

(spreadsheet distributed before meeting). Balance in CC's account as at **21st March 2019 : £45,547.27**

Amount of	£40,351.86	ringfenced for FET – Heritage Garden at Brunton Square
	£ 1,650.00	ringfenced for WW1 memorial items at Town House
	£ 1000.00	ringfenced for art sculptures (mossmorran funding)
	£ 298.79	ringfenced for Beath Bulletin
	£ 250.00	ringfenced for Remembrance Day Services (<i>money recd from WW1 memorial sponsors</i>)
SUB TOT	£43,550.65	
Balance	£ 1,996.62	available to the Community Council.
TOTAL	£45,547.27	

Environment Group – Bench from Town House (in memory of J Boyle) has been relocated to the Millenium Garden. Bench was upgraded before being relocated.

Litter pick – Ongoing discussion with CC Insurers to check whether any organised litter pick is covered under the CCs Public Liability Insurance. Although Safer Communities would supply kit...etc, they do not have the appropriate insurance.

Civic Week – Unfortunately the **Arianne Grande Tribute on Sunday, 24th March** has had to be cancelled. Civic Week are planning another date (30th March) to select the Royal Party.

1st May - Beath High School Cluster Netball/Basketball leagues. Very positive meeting with Fife Active Schools representative held. Approx 200 children taking part in this event.

08th – 15th June. Civic Week events culminating in Parade on 15th. Theme is Mardi Gras

22nd June – Ministox cup at Racewall

29th November – Santa comes to Town/Christmas Lights switch con

30th November – Children's Christmas Party/Christmas Fair

Nb: awaiting confirmation of Scottish Night details

Foodbank – Open day on 9th March went well. Has approx 30 volunteers now.

Street Pastors – Operating a safe space on the High Street at the Clearing. Working well. Trying to keep everyone safe.

Mossmorran – Reports due out and will be put on line/ Survey results of approx 200 residents available

Fun Day being organised for 25th May. Event will be in Aberdour.

If you know of anyone who would like a visit to the plant, then take their name/details and we can organise to put them in touch with the appropriate person at Mossmorran.

Flaring at end of Feb – no complaints received by councillors. Its important that if anyone has any complaints they should be made known

SEPA site contains lots of useful information

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8. OTHER REPORTS (continued)

CACA – going from strength to strength. Biscuit making session was organised for last week. Nail technicians coming next week. Working with staff at Community Use to try and get something different every week for kids.

Have lost a helper though – been recruited by Fife Council.

4 winds trust – Next meeting is April.

Town Centre Development – next meeting will be 27th March.

9. AOB – Next meeting will be Thursday 18th April @ 18.30 in the Maxwell Centre