

The Royal Burgh of Pittenweem and District Community Council

Chair: D Stutchfield, Vice Chair: B Whittome, Secretary: K Horsburgh, Treasurer: D Stutchfield

Website: www.aboutpittenweem.org.uk

Minutes of meeting held on 10th November in Pittenweem New Town Hall

Opening of Meeting:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7.00PM and welcomed all present.

Present:

Community Council: D Stutchfield, K Horsburgh, J Taylor and M Wardlaw

Fife Council: Cllr D Macgregor, Cllr J Docherty

Guests: None

Members of the public: Four

Apologies: Cllr E Riches, B Whittome, W Hughes, J K Querido

Approval of previous Minutes:

Proposed: J Taylor Seconded: M Wardlaw

Police Scotland

There were no Police in attendance tonight and as such, we have nothing to minute or report from them.

Matters Arising and Outstanding Actions:

- The fencing around the play park adjacent to the primary school has been completed and paid for.
- DS still to speak with Pittenweem in Bloom and will do so this week. This will be a c/f for next month.
- The final touches to 'cleaning the war memorial' were completed and we wish to record our thanks to Robin Bremner for replacing the chips, cleaning and painting the railing and stonework
- KH brought along a copy of the Fife plan. In brief summary it showed additional expansion for the new cemetery northwards and for 'private housing' for 70 houses at the back of St Margaret's Farm.
- JD and KH is to query the ownership of the open space at the rear of the school on the Fife plan.

Councillors' report:

Cllr D M advised:

- That the necessary repair work at Waggon Road has been instructed to be carried out.
- Will write advising Fife Planning that the housing development at Maw Dubs be supported.

Cllr J D advised

• That 'Health and Social Care 'are holding additional training days. In addition, they are looking to be more communicative and let us know about any changes to healthcare and ask for our feedback and what provision we need for healthcare. JD will keep us updated on all of this.

Planning Issues:

JT advised:

- He has been in contact with Gary Nichol regarding the issuing and monitoring of building warrants and we are looking to invite Gary along to one of our meetings early in the New Year to give us a talk on this.
- The application for work at 26 Milton Place was permitted with conditions.
- The work at 4 Mayview (single storey and dormer extension) has started.
- The application from Traquiars village shop and Studio has attracted no comments thus far.
- There is an application for a full roof replacement to council property at 2 St Adrians Road.
- Re the retrospective planning application from the Coastline Community Church regarding their flu issues, it was unanimously agreed to raise an objection as environmental concerns need defined. Cllr JD suggested we also propose a joint meeting with appropriate parties to address this continuing issue.

Treasurer's report:

DS advised:

- Main account balance £5,677.35.
- The annual accounts are at the auditor and are awaited back shortly.
- Will apply for the annual grant on receipt of the annual accounts when they come back from the auditor.
- Will provide a complete 'treasurers pack' or the incoming treasurer to facilitate a smooth handover.

East Neuk Community Action Planning Group, the Pittenweem Arts Festival Liaison Group and the East Neuk and Landward Community Council Liaison Group:

As there has been no meetings held since our last Community Council Meeting, there is nothing to report.

Secretary's report:

KH advised:

- He has received the pricing details for the new play equipment and is awaiting the Audited Accounts before seeking additional funding. We retain £5,000.00 as part funding already received.
- He is awaiting a reply after reporting the deteriorating state of the sea wall at the 'little roaddie'
- The damaged fence at the 'pan braes' section of the coastal path has now been inspected for repair.
- Stuart Goodfellow has advised the road preference signs at the Abbeywall Rd and Marygate junction are
 to remain unaltered due to vehicles in practice taking more road than needed when manoeuvring this
 junction. The blind spot with the high wall to the east was also a factor. The continued parking on the
 double yellow lines has now been reported to the enforcement officer to take the appropriate action.
- He has been advised that a full Planning Application is required for the electricity points in the High St.
- He is now speaking with Archie Melville regarding Community Payback activity.
- That the unresolved landscaping of Pittenweem New Cemetery is still outstanding. (c/f to Dec Meeting)
- The request to allow access through the New Town Hall ground was declined unanimously by their Committee with their advices that any request should be made in the first instance to the landlord.

Common Good Fund:

KH advised he is waiting on our Audited Accounts as the last bit of paperwork to facilitate our application for £4410.00 for three replacement Community Notice Boards.

Pittenweem Community Fund Raising

MW advised:

- £320.00 was banked from the recent Indoor Car Boot Sale.
- The upcoming Farmers Market and Craft Fair (last event) are looking to be well supported.
- She is speaking with representatives of PICT to 'take over' the fund raising activities at the year end.
- Four sets of 400 Christmas Lights have been ordered at a cost of £1,100.00 from monies raised from fund raising activities to place on the four trees that haven't had any festive lighting in previous years.

AOCB:

- A request from Anstruther Rowing club to provide additional moorings in the 'old harbour' was being fed back to them with advices given to approach the harbour user group direct. DS to feed back to them.
- DS advised that a new cycle path from Pittenweem School to Kilrenny via Anstruther is being considered
 at an estimated minimum cost of £100k. The preferred route at present during this period of
 consultation will be adjacent to the footpath running along the main road between Pittenweem and
 Anstruther, turning up towards the bridge over the Dreel Burn and eastward from there. We suggested
 that an alternative running along farm roads slightly inland be considered and that cognisance of the low
 sun in the evenings on the 'Anstruther Road' be discussed as this has previously caused cyclist accidents.
- Janice Christianson, a member of the public advised that East Neuk Eco Homes are interested in seeking a building site in Pittenweem and both Maw Dubs and StMargarets are being considered.
- Pittenweem Pharmacy have contacted PiCT and the Community Cncl to request that Fife Cncl investigate the possibility of restricting the waiting time to 60 minutes for six parking bays in the High Street for the benefit of all businesses. Further work is required on the practicalities before bringing this to Fife Cncl.
- DS advised that although he was resigning from the Community Council, he would look to update the website with the adopted minutes if they could be provided to him by email.
- In conclusion, the outgoing Chair thanked his fellow Community Councillors, Local Councillors and the Secretary for all their endeavours, support and giving up their time over the last three years.

Close of meeting:

In the absence of any other competent business, the meeting was closed at 8.15 PM.

The date of the next meeting which will be for the new Community Council was set for 8th December 2014.

K Horsburgh, Secretary