



SOUTH DUNFERMLINE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

DATE: 6 JUNE 2023 | TIME: 7:15PM | PITBAUHLIE HOUSE HOTEL

Present

Alasdair Kay, Morag Ure, John Ure, Mhairi Divertie, Marion Knapman, Irene Duncan, Willie Clarke, Sharon Waugh
Councillors Cara Hilton, James Calder, Lynn Ballantyne-Wardlaw

Apologies

Helen McCallum, Police

1. Acceptance of Minutes

John Ure, Alasdair Kay

2. Matters Arising (not covered elsewhere)

Sharon Waugh missed from attendance on last minutes and minutes were accepted by Sharon Waugh and Alasdair Kay.

Irene has completed and returned necessary paperwork, Willie will complete and return his.

3. Community Police Report

See attached.

4. Secretary's Report

All e-mails had been circulated.

Disposal of Common Good Land: Following discussion those present decided not to support the selling of any Common Good Land as it would set a precedent. Morag will reply to the email.

Boundary Changes: Cara explained there would be no changes to boundaries for our Area, Limekilns would become part of Cowdenbeath. The changes are necessary to even the distribution of populations.

Morag noted from the planning meeting minutes that public art was a necessary part of a planning application for another area. It was felt that as a major housing estate built in the 60's Pitcorthie had missed out on these kinds of stipulations, and it was felt that this was something that should be used when applying for funding support for the Gateway project.

5. Treasurer's Report

SDCC	£15,372.93
Floral	£912.41
Goodwill	-£41.13
Project	£13,108.64
Com Council	£1,393.01

PADEC **£2,103.30** (£14.25 belongs to Young at Heart)

Newsletter	£1,727.28
Advertisers	£1,622.60
Upgrade	£104.68

6. Newsletter

June newsletters are ready for delivery.

7. Fife Councillors' Reports

James Calder

- Cycle lane on Aberdour Road
- Lack of signage noted, new plans received for a physical segregation.
- It is proposed to introduce a two-way mandatory cycle lane on the south side of Aberdour Road as detailed in Drawing no. TR023_08 (Appendix 1) drawing already circulated. This cycle lane will be separated from the vehicular traffic with lane separator bollards. A mandatory cycle lane prohibits motorised vehicles from using that part of the road but does not prevent access to driveways. There will be a consultation period.
- Number 85 bus service to be withdrawn as not commercially viable.
- Calais Woods Big Litter pick is being organised for 17th June.
- Removal of some fire appliances, this was discussed at Area Meeting and explained by Fire Service, there are some concerns, but Dunfermline area will be served by a larger appliance. Discussions are ongoing within the Service.
- Funding has been agreed for St Leonards Park for drainage and lighting.
- £50,000 available for Community Councils for projects, applications to be made.
- There will be assistance with food and heating projects especially during School holidays.
- Volunteer celebration recognition event was very positive.

Cara

- Attended Topping Out Ceremony for the new Learning Campus.
- Educational achievements had been obtained from Government but only for Fife as a whole, individual reports have been asked for.
- Residents in Evershed Drive have asked for better maintenance of the shrubbed area beside their houses. Morag also mentioned a few other areas where weeds were taking over shrub bed, these will be taken back to the council.
- Hospice Service: Cross party support for returning services to Dunfermline, a motion has been raised for the need for a review of all NHS services within Dunfermline area.

Lynn

- Reported that Pitreavie Running Track was not maintained to a high enough standard, she will write to Fife Sports and Leisure Trust and Sports Trust Scotland. There is limited opening times for this facility.

Several residents and members present raised concerns regarding the former King Malcolm Hotel. There were concerns that the Fife Fire Service had been out several times, although no fires had been detected, it was felt this was a matter of time. The whole area is unkempt and overgrown and not a welcoming sight. Disappointment was expressed that no other hotel chain had taken over and that so far the owners were difficult to locate. James will continue to make enquiries to contact the owners and ask for some action to be taken.

8. South Dunfermline Events Committee

No events are currently planned.

9. South Dunfermline Gateway Project

Morag and John had a meeting with the architect and Stephen Duffy from Fife Council. Stephen will assist with finding landscapers, but he will arrange for some of the vegetation to be cut back at the end of the growing season. Morag continues to look for an artist. Money has not yet been transferred from the area budget. Morag will email Linsey to ask when this will happen.

10. The Burn and Green Areas

Funding will be sourced to complete another section of the burn

11. Any Other Competent Business

No other competent business.

Alasdair wished everyone a lovely summer.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 5th September 2023 19.15 at Pitbauchlie House Hotel



POLICE REPORT – MAY 2023 DUNFERMLINE SOUTH WARD – CEM

01/05/2023 to 31/05/2023

PCs Vincent Gieldon-Bruce and Ross Menzies are the Community Officers covering Dunfermline South. The Dunfermline South Ward area encompasses the Pitreavie, Duloch, Pitcorthie, and Abbeyview areas of Dunfermline.

CALLS TO POLICE / LOCAL CRIME FIGURES

During the month between 01/05/2023 and 31/05/2023 a total of **471** calls to the Police were recorded for the South Dunfermline area.

These calls are graded by our control room from Immediate, Prompt and Standard, with Immediate being the highest priority:

Immediate Calls	- 50
Prompt Calls	- 145
Standard Calls	- 67
Others	- 209

This led to **105** crimes being recorded on our Crimefile recording system, **49** of which have been detected as of 1st June 2023. The majority of undetected crimes in the month thus far are still under active investigation.

NOTABLE CRIMES / DETECTIONS / INCIDENTS

Crime in general remains relatively low and there are no ongoing crime trends in respect of any one specific crime type.

- **OPERATION PATH – VIOLENCE**

There were **25** violent offences reported, **20** of which have been detected. The remaining **5** are still under active investigation.

- **OPERATION PARAMOUNT – ROAD SAFETY**

There were **14** road traffic offences recorded, **8** of which have been detected. The remaining **6** are still under active investigation.

- **OPERATION PREVAIL – ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

There were **7** anti-social behaviour offences which have been recorded, **6** of which has been detected. The remaining **1** is still under active investigation.

- **OPERATION PRINCIPLE – ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

There were **21** acquisitive crimes reported, the vast majority of which were Theft by Shoplifting. **3** of these has been detected, whilst the remainder are under active investigation.

- **OPERATION PROSPECT – DRUG / ALCOHOL OFFENCES**

There were **5** Drug/Alcohol related offences which have been recorded. All **5** of these have been detected.

ONGOING ISSUES / INITIATIVES

The warm and pleasant weather is finally upon us!

We're keenly aware that with the summer holidays approaching, there will be a lot of concerns about anti-social behaviour. We'll be attending the usual hotspots on a regular basis to curb any inappropriate behaviours within the community, dealing robustly with any crimes accordingly.

We've been out and about carrying out Parksafes deployments around the local schools, and you've perhaps seen us carrying out Speedwatch deployments on the main roads with the help of our Community Speedwatch volunteers.

Our most recent deployment on Aberdour Road on Sunday 4th June resulted in five warnings being issued to drivers. We'll maintain the deployments in and around the local area, and continue to drive home the message regarding safe and responsible driving.

If you see us out and about in the nicer weather on foot or on cycle patrols, please come over and say hello to us!

As always, please continue highlighting any issues within the community to us. For any questions, and to reach us directly, please contact us at:

DunfermlineSouthCPT@scotland.police.uk

Please note, this mailbox is not monitored 24 hours a day, but we will do our best to respond in a timeous manner to any enquiries. For anything that requires an immediate or more prompt response, we always recommend contacting either 101 or 999, respectively. Incidents that are reported to the area are monitored by us on a daily basis when on shift, and we carry out a review of calls to the area following our days off.

Also, we'd like to remind you of our twitter account [@PSOSDunfermline](https://twitter.com/PSOSDunfermline), where you can keep up to date with our deployments and activities throughout the month.

Regards,

Vincent and Ross

POLICE SCOTLAND YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Dunfermline PSYV are proactively reaching out to engage with other local community groups and events. We are offering volunteering support to build better relationships and show positive engagement from a young person perspective.

If the Community Council know of any local groups/events that requires additional volunteering support, then please email contact information to Group Coordinator PC Scott Morgan – FifePSYV@scotland.police.uk

Dunfermline PSYV are also running a Screen Education programme at Fife College through supported funding from Screen Scotland, Fife Council, Cash Back for Communities and Carnegie Dunfermline Trust.

The aim of this project is to deliver a screen education programme that will allow young people to develop their own creative voice and learn technical approaches to filmmaking.

Practical workshops, led by creative professionals, will enable young people to explore and learn essential skills in film production, collaborating with specialists, peers and those with protected characteristics to generate film content on criminal, social and wellbeing trends affecting diverse communities.

We will remove prescribed solutions and corporate messaging, enabling young people to lead and have their voices heard to make positive change raising awareness on challenging issues.

Dunfermline PSYV are also building capacity to deliver Peer Education sessions on trending topics/issues to local scout groups across Dunfermline / West Fife. They will learn subject matter from specialist partners and use existing educational resources to present information and discuss trending issues with their peers. The aim is for them to act as role models within our communities and engage with peers of all age groups.

Thanks

Scott