

SOUTH DUNFERMLINE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

DATE: 3 MAY 2022 | TIME: 7:45PM | THE PITBAUCHLIE HOUSE HOTEL

Present

Sharon Waugh, John Ure, Morag Ure, Alasdair Kay, Mhairi Divertie, Thana Mitchell, Marion Knapman

Councillors: David Ross, James Calder

Visitors: Irene Duncan, Claire Carr, Fiona Hynd

Apologies

Councillor Fay Sinclair, Councillor Ross Paterson, Dave Rodger

1. Acceptance of Minutes

Mhairi Divertie, Alasdair Kay

2. Matters Arising (not covered elsewhere)

None

3. Community Police Report

Ross reported on the crime figures for South Dunfermline.

Discussions with Rector from Dunfermline High School, keen to build a project with the students' involvement to assist with community events.

Officers spoke to many young people during their weekend patrols around McDonald's and Calaismuir Woods. They found the children polite and understanding when alcohol was confiscated.

Parking and speeding remain a problem in the area.

The members present were reminded of the online reporting system for any problems they had.

The surgery prior to the meeting this evening was successful, and it is hoped to build on this.

4. Secretary's Report

All emails had been circulated; there was nothing to action.

5. Treasurer's Report

PADEC £3,522.55 (£713.50 belongs to YAH)

Newsletter	£1,943.46	
	Advertisers	£1,773.99
	Upgrade	£169.47
SDCC	£16,906.63	
	Floral	£1,364.22
	Goodwill	£208.87
	Project	£14,943.94
	Com Council	£389.90

6. Newsletter

Most of the March copies had been distributed.

June issue has been started, any articles to send to Thana as soon as possible.

7. Fife Councillors' Reports

James and David thanked the Community Council Members and expressed how much they enjoyed coming to the meetings.

James

Potholes continue to be flagged by residents, also some faded road markings that require to be repainted.

Tree maintenance, now trees were budding and growing there had been an increase in complaints that no maintenance was happening. James will take this back to Park, Streets and Open Spaces to remind them of their responsibilities.

Factor for Peploe Rise is waiting on permission from Fife Council to maintain the troublesome tree.

David

At the Megaward Meeting the money towards the Roundabout Project was approved.

Roads department will reinspect Beech Grove after further complaints regarding the state of the road.

David will chase a response from the speed survey at Lapwing Drive as he had received no reply.

Alasdair reported Pitcorthie Drive between Morrison Drive and Holly Grove was a terrible state with potholes and required attention.

Morag queried the facilities at Carnegie Leisure Centre as the training pool was out of order again and all users were using the main pool causing a problem for users wishing to lane swim.

Andrew Gallacher had replied regarding the need to upgrade the facilities at the John Marshall Centre and had proposed a meeting but had not followed this up with any further information. David will try to follow this up before the election.

Alasdair gave thanks to the councillors for their support in all matters.

8. South Dunfermline Events Committee

No volunteers have come forward to assist with organising a gala and those present felt that with such a small number it was not possible to do this event successfully.

Members are keen to host another quiz evening, Mhairi will contact the previous Quizmaster for availability.

9. South Dunfermline Gateway Project

Morag expressed her frustration with Fife Council officers, who despite showing interest required many reminders and seemed to continually put obstacles in the way. The money has now been allocated. She has e-mailed the person allocated to the project again to try and resolve the problems. The main problem seems to be who owns half of the roundabout! As the council have just finished a resurfacing project the community council are unsure of why this seems to be a problem. Contractors are unwilling to commence any work or estimates until Fife Council agree the project can go ahead.

It is hoped after the election on 5th May that Elected Members can take this forward.

10. Burns and Green Space

The project officer has written with the reasons for non-maintenance of the burn, these are reasons the Community Council are already aware of. Morag has replied asking that Fife Council put some Health and Safety policies in place so that difficult areas can be properly maintained. The members feel that ownership searches should not be required as according to previous minutes Fife Council have already agreed to maintain all areas of Pitcorthie.

Morag also clarified what type of clean up the community would be expecting i.e. litter picking, proper pruning of the overgrowth and desilting.

11. Any Other Competent Business

None

12. Next Meeting

Tuesday, 7 June 2022 at 19:45 at The Pitbauchlie House Hotel