

SOUTH DUNFERMLINE COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

DATE: 3 OCTOBER 2023 | TIME: 7:15PM | PITBAUCHLIE HOUSE HOTEL

Present

Morag Ure, John Ure, Alasdair Kay, Mhairi Divertie, Marion Knapman, Wullie Clark, Irene Duncan

Visitors: Stephen Graham, Ian Ferguson Councillors: James Calder, Cara Hilton

Apologies

Sharon Waugh, Karim Ruzgar

1. Acceptance of Minutes

John Ure, Wullie Clark

2. Matters Arising (not covered elsewhere)

No matters arising.

3. Community Police Report

Apologies were sent from Community Police.

New style of police report was discussed. Those present felt it didn't give enough local information. James will raise this at the next Ward Committee meeting.

The committee also felt that the attendance by Community Police at meetings had dropped off, often this is because they have been deployed to other duties, but it was felt that their presence was important especially as the drop-in sessions are not happening at present.

Parking at Spruce Grove for school pick up and drop off has been a rising problem again, with residents being verbally abused for asking parents/carers to park responsibly. Driveways have been blocked and dangerous turns are being made. While the Community Council are sympathetic the parking is outwith their control and they could only report the concerns of residents. James and Cara will report to Community police. There was some discussion regarding the school exclusion zones that are being piloted in some areas in Fife. James will try to get some interim reports. It was unclear as to how many parking attendants were present in the Dunfermline area to monitor parking. Those present wondered if a banner with safety information might be of use. Morag will look at this.

It was noted there had been an increase in car thefts in the area.

4. Secretary's Report

All emails had been circulated and no action was required.

5. Treasurer's Report

 SDCC
 £14,588.50

 Floral
 £1,009.81

 Goodwill
 -£41.13

 Project
 £13,108.64

 Com Council
 £530.38

PADEC £1,973.30

Newsletter£2,400.13Advertisers£2,275.65Upgrade£124.48

6. Newsletter

September issue have all been sent out, some new deliverers had volunteered.

7. Fife Councillors' Reports

James Calder

Fife Council Budget is to be discussed.

The heating in John Marshall Community Centre is to be upgraded, grant to be applied for once quote has been received.

Burn

A meeting is to be arranged with Parks and open spaces to see what works are still to be completed.

Next stage of city plan is to be discussed at Area Committee Meeting.

The City Events Calendar is being put together, hopefully this will see outlying events being included as well.

Hoped to have a civic clean-up working with community group.

Cara Hilton

A visit to the new Learning Campus proved to be informative. Pathway to the Learning Campus is being constructed.

BAM has agreed to provide some benches for the park.

Carnegie Trust is hoping to work with Imagination Library (A Dolly Parton initiative to provide books for children) there will be a link to Carnegie Libraries and hopefully events in Duloch Library.

There had been complaints regarding the parking of lorries on Sandpiper Road. There are no facilities for drivers and human waste was sometimes evident in the adjacent ground. James and Cara to investigate further.

8. South Dunfermline Events Committee

Over 65's Evening is to be held on Sunday 7th April 2024. Morag will liaise with Pitbauchlie and contact some local entertainers.

9. South Dunfermline Gateway Project

Falling UP in Art had expressed an interest in being involved. Morag will contact them. A teams meeting is planned with a view to setting up a steering group.

10. The Burn and Green Areas

The topic was already covered earlier.

11. Any Other Competent Business

Irene has paid the deposit for the Christmas lunch for The Young at Heart Group.

Morag suggested a treasure hunt to be put into a newsletter to encourage the community to interact, she was unsure of the format. All suggestions are welcome for the next meeting.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 7th November 2023 at 19.15 at Pitbauchlie House Hotel