

Broughty Ferry Community Council

Minute of meeting held at Broughty Ferry Library on 4th June 2019

1. **Community Councillors Present:-** Adele McGrath (Chair), David Easson (Treasurer), John Watson (Planning Secretary), Stan Nutt (Licensing Secretary), Charlie Delaney, Carolyn Forrester, Isabel McLean, Fiona M. Potton, Neil Cooney, John Moore

2. **Apologies:** Hugh Begg (Vice-Chair), Baillie Derek Scott,

Ex-officio: Councillor Craig Duncan, Councillor Philip Scott

In attendance: Natalie Mackland (DCC Communities Officer)

Members of the Public Present: 2

3. **Minutes of previous meeting 7th May 2019:** Proposed as a true record by John Watson, seconded Charlie Delaney.

4. **Matters Arising:**

Item 4 Stan referenced previous issue of overgrown vegetation on footways along Claypotts Road. Stan reported some improvement but a need for DCC to issue the next letter to residents in the chain of demanding action.

Item 12 Stan reported concern about overgrown hedge at Abercromby Street which will be considered by person responsible in the near future.

5. **Chair's Report:**

Dundee City Council has drafted the **Local Housing Strategy 2019 - 24** and are seeking the views of those who may have an interest in it. The LHS aims to deliver a positive housing future for all people in Dundee by ensuring provision of high quality housing and neighbourhoods where people want to live. This strategy and its action plans have been developed in partnership with other government agencies, Dundee's Health and Social Care Partnership, voluntary organisations and have been subject to consultation with all of these organisations, residents within the city and equalities groups. This strategy sets out our aims and objectives to the housing issues that have been identified. Comments must be **returned by Friday 14 June 2019**.

| Dundee is hosting the World Community Development Conference 2019. This is taking place over three days from the 24th to 26th of June. The theme is People Place and Power, the website is www.wcdc2019.org.uk

A number of places are available with a view to community representatives being able to attend. There is also a conference dinner on Tuesday 25th June at the Apex Hotel and there is a place for one community representative from the Ferry to attend that also. Natalie is keen to ensure that those who wish to attend get the opportunity to do so and will draw names out of a hat should there be significant interest.

There is an open evening at Forthill Community Sports Club on Friday 7th June. There will be a selection of sports activities as well as music, food and drink etc. This is free entry and takes place from 5-9pm.

Ewan Maclean of RTPI has written to remind us that a public event is being held at Panmurefield Baptist Centre, Lawers Drive, Broughty Ferry, DD5 3TS, 3pm to 7pm, on Thursday 6th June 2019, where the proposals will be on display and representatives of Kirkwood Homes will be on hand to answer any queries.

Jack Greenway has asked me to inform you that he wishes to resign from the committee of Broughty Ferry Community council, due to personal reasons. Jack hopes to attend meetings as and when he can, as a member of the public. We would like to thank Jack for his contribution to the community council and we wish him well.

Fiona Lund has been in touch to say that the BFCC website was not working, Neil to pursue fix.

Finally, I would like to personally wish everyone good luck as we move forward. Thanks to Stan Nutt as he takes over as Chair. Thank you to each and every one of you for supporting me over the past 4 years, especially Natalie. From July, I look forward to sitting on the 'other side'.

6. **Police Report:** No report.
7. **Secretary's Report:** No report.
8. **Treasurer's Report:** £318.09 available for administrative purposes, £932.50 across all funds. Request for administration grant has been issued by Natalie.
9. **Planning Report: 7th - 31st May 2019**

Trees esplanade
Care home 8 Dalhousie Rd
Navarre Street flagpole
Land to rear 182 Long Lane

Of the 12 planning and 1 tree application validated during the above period, none required attention.

10. Licensing Report: Nothing to report.

11. Matters raised by Community Councillors:

It was reported that Beach Management Group hosted a meeting with harbor/water users and did not extend an invitation to BFCC.

Concern raised about proposed charge for uplifting garden waste. BFCC to write to Executive Director Neighborhood Services to express dissatisfaction.

12. Contributions from Elected Members (ex-officio members):

Cllr Craig Duncan

Was delighted to attend celebrations at Broughty Ferry Castle on Thursday 30 May to mark 50 years since a public museum was opened in the castle, which is an absolute treasure and my particular thanks go to the pupils from Forthill Primary School who cheerfully enacted a historically themed fashion show style parade.

The police have asked him to look at what more may be done regarding ongoing traffic issues at Forthill Primary School, since being elected two years ago he has organised two multi agency site visits there and is more than happy to arrange another one including ward colleagues who he knows are as keen to progress this issue as he is . Realistically this will have to wait until next school term.

Have arranged a site visit with council officers to consider what may be done to address the long standing and ever worsening traffic congestion issues on Balgillo Road East at it junction with Balgillo Road.

Gala week is approaching and when he arranged for the council to jet wash the principal central streets of Broughty Ferry last year he also secured a promise that jet washing would be carried out in future in advance of Gala Week and after the Christmas Lights Switch On. He views this as a bare minimum standard which he will hold the council to and is surprised that it isn't done as a matter of course, appearances do matter and although the Ferry is currently thriving, many others would love to divert visitors elsewhere.

During the course of the meeting he mentioned that a compromise between council and residents concerning the recently planted seafront trees at Balmossie seems likely. He would certainly welcome such an outcome and details will doubtless be available upon the conclusion of such an agreement.

Cllr Philip Scott

Along with Cllr Duncan, attended a meeting earlier in the day with a city engineer and Steve James of the BFTA, to discuss the re-siting of the red phone box on the

waterfront, and the traders' wish to take ownership of the box. Together with ward colleagues, he had the previous week also attended Broughty Castle Museum's 50th anniversary celebrations.

At last night's neighbourhood services committee, councillors had agreed to spend £270k on a new 2G synthetic pitch at Dawson Park (suitable for both hockey and football), to replace the old one, which was no longer fit for purpose. The council was also looking at updating the masterplan for Dawson to look at the park's infrastructure, as well as securing funding streams and the possibility of partnership working.

The wall next to the bridge over the railway at Dundee Road had finally been repaired and Dougie Barr's team had also given the area around it a clean-up. Sadly, the permanently-parked vans had come back again after the wall had been fixed but, having investigated this with both the council and the police, it had again been confirmed that they were not considered to be causing an obstruction.

Having just been at his surgery in Forthill PS, it was good to see that the improvements to the adjacent playpark were being carried out, albeit a bit behind schedule.

13. Matters raised by members of the public: No matters intimated.

14. AOCB: Posters available for members to take, advertising July meeting.

Grateful thanks expressed to Adele for her commitment to the Community Council over the last 4 years. Without her at the helm BFCC may have folded.

Next meeting of this Council will be held on Tuesday 2nd July 2019 at 7:00pm.