

# Broughty Ferry Community Council

## Minute of Ordinary Meeting held in Broughty Ferry Library on 7th January 2020

Meeting opened 7.00pm

Action

### 1. Community Councillors Present

Stan Nutt (Chair), David Easson (Treasurer), James Doig (Secretary), Hugh Begg, Carolyn Forrester, Charlie Delaney, Joyce McIntosh, Anna Robb, Fiona Lund, Doreen Phillips, Norma McGovern, Doug McLaren, Adele McGrath.

### In Attendance

Natalie Mackland.

### Ex Officio

Bailie Derek Scott, Cllr Phillip Scott.

### Members of Public Present

Eight members of the public were present including Isabel McLean and Neil Cooney who were to be proposed as community councillors (see item 5).

### Apologies

Cllr Craig Duncan, John Watson (Planning), Fiona M.Potton.

Stan Nutt (Chair), welcomed all to the meeting, especially new community councillors and members of the public in attendance. Apologies were noted.

### 2. Minutes of previous Meeting (3rd December 2019)

Agreed and proposed by Adele McGrath seconded by Carolyn Forrester.

### 3. Matters Arising

Secretary sent email to Bill Findlay DCC objecting to the removal of three public phones in Broughty Ferry (Dundee Road, King Street & Castle Street).

A number of councillors had emailed SYSTRA with their views regarding the draft proposals for the cycle/pedestrian route from Broughty Ferry Castle to Monifieth Station. ID badges for community councillors; Natalie requested the design and what wording was required on the badges.

ALL

### 4. Chairs Report

Stan Nutt reported it was not Natalie's job to take the minutes of the meeting and the secretary had agreed to carry out this function with one or two slight modification.

Stan put forward that the Beach Management and LCCP meetings report should be put on the agenda quarterly.

To reduce cost and printing he suggested the Treasurers financial report should also be quarterly.

Other items to be included on the agenda; BFCC Website information and training for Councillors and Guest speakers possibly on a quarterly basis.

JD

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**5. Community Councillor Nomination / Proposed Co-Opt Confirmation**

Isabel McLean and Neil Cooney who had previously expressed an interest in becoming a community councillor were both co-opted as community councillors. Both being proposed by David Easson and seconded by Adele McGrath.

**6. Police Report**

No Report

**7. Secretary's Report**

Mail collected from Broughty Ferry Library on 04/12/2019 slightly out of date but included; Dundee City Council, Proposals for change of speed limit to 20mph at Gowrie Park, Dryburgh & Linlathen Road area.  
Programme of Business meeting (Tabled) Dundee City Council 18th November 2019.  
Mail, items, matters (except planning) FAO BFCC should be directed to the secretary, DCC corporate centre to be informed.

NM

**8. Treasurers Report**

David Easson produced the latest version of the balance sheet regarding the current financial position.  
The annual admin grant from DCC saw an increase to £570.00. This grant is not automatically granted and to obtain it we have to ensure our final balance on 05/04/2020 is no more than or equal to £1140.00.  
Four years ago the Treasurer attempted to change the signatories of the bank account due to change of Office Bearers, present signatories are David Easson, Stan Nutt and Hugh Begg. To date all cheques have been accepted.  
Funding is available for special projects and a suggestion there should be a BFCC notice board probably in the centre of Broughty Ferry.  
Natalie to share list of possible funders but stressed the importance of identifying priorities for development.

NM

**9. Planning Report**

John Watson reported on the planning activities between 2nd December 2019 and 2nd January 2020. Five applications were validated during this period with none requiring further attention.

Alidi has lodged an appeal with the Scottish Government's Planning and Environmental Division with regard to the refusal of their previous application by DCC for a store between Arbroath Road and Tom Johnson Road. We await the outcome.

**10. Licensing Report**

There was no notification of any changes.

**11. Matters Raised by Community Councillors**

Capacity Building, Training for new members.

Hugh Begg had issued papers to councillors prior to the meeting with regard to this item, this included training and job descriptions.

Members stated it was a useful document and a good starting point for new council members. Natalie stated a redesign in training by DCC was recognised and were looking at a collective training programme, possibly available in the spring time.

It was stated that training by suitably qualified personnel was required to give some procedural knowledge to members. NM

Press and Publicity (Website, Face book & Broughty Ferry Spotlight).

Fiona Lund who was approved as the contact had been in touch with Lesley at Thistle software regarding the website and updating, spreading information such as the planning report. A newsletter was discussed but is not feasible due to cost. The Spotlight appears to be a better means of communication to the public in Broughty Ferry and should indicate that members of the public are welcome to attend the community council meetings. It was queried which areas of Broughty Ferry Spotlight was delivered to and was pointed out although a monthly magazine it was delivered quarterly to households. Fiona to check delivery areas and regularity. The article could be used to harness views of the wider community. FL

Natalie to forward Stobswell Forum news letter for info. NM

Traffic Calming measures at Broughty Ferry Schools and Claypotts Road.

Stan highlighted traffic calming in other towns in which there has been a general trend of success, some streets around schools could be closed of at certain times (in the morning and afternoon). Some areas it is an accident waiting to happen if something is not done. This is a city wide problem and although the future pavement parking law should resolve the situation someone has to start and take the initiative. ALL

Members had recently received an email from Marie Dailly of DCC regarding the proposed withdrawal of the No.75 bus by Stagecoach but comments were due by 6th January 2020. John Berry stated all bus companies must give 28 days notice of changes. Some member had objected on an individual basis requesting an adjustment to the timetable or a possible express service to Dundee City Centre and await a response.

## **12. Contribution from Elected Members (ex-officio)**

Cllr Phillip Scott stated the possibility of a Post Office in Barnhill in the near future. The underpass in Gray Street will be carried out in the near future and someone is interested in renting the Queen Street car park building which was due for demolition, whilst saving on demolition costs it will also give DCC in income.

Baillie Derek Scott reported on a number of items;  
Street lighting in Camperdown Street and the vicinity have been repaired.  
DCC have agreed a 10 year master plan for Dawson Park in three phases  
Which include parking provision, cherry tree planting, renewed fencing,  
trim trail equipment, planters, improved entrances, waterfall restoration,  
west pavilion upgrade, new activity feature (climbing wall or muga pitch),

Feasibility of beach wheelchair access, provision in the flood defence works  
for improved ramp access to the beach from the Windmill car park.

Saturday public swimming has not been available at the Grove due to staffing issues.  
Lifeguards have been recruited and are undergoing training ensuring swimming  
operational mid to late February.

With regard to the removal of the 75 by Stagecoach from 24th February Baillie Scott had contacted the company as it provides the only direct service for those residing in the Dundee Road area.

Broughty Ferry level crossing renewal works are scheduled to be completed by the end of January with the crossing remaining closed until 25th January.  
Some flooding issues at a few locations have recently been actioned.  
Overflowing bins over the festive period in the Grove/Eastern campus area were emptied prior to the return of the schools.

Update received via email from Cllr Craig Duncan but unable to highlight due to available time. He and party colleagues have objected to Stagecoach with regard to the removal of the 75 bus service. Grange Road will be offered alternative service by diverting the No. 73, but the rest of the route will not be replaced. It is a commercial decision due to low numbers.  
DCC to forward proposals as to how the gap may be filled.  
The two community constables plus three others will in future operate out of Broughty Ferry police station and offers a better service for the public to meet the police.  
Rotten barriers at the Pilot Pier have been replaced and painting is in hand.  
City Engineers are working on a sustainable solution to restore safe access to the beach.

**13. Matters raised by members of the public** Nil items raised.

**14. AOCB** Nil items raised.

**The next meeting of Broughty Ferry Community Council will be held on Tuesday 4th February 2020 at 7.00pm in Broughty Ferry Library.**

After the close of the meeting, Neil Cooney stated Nicoll Russell Architects were planning a cycle initiative by building a bicycle rack in a public parking space in Brown Street. This item should be raised at the next meeting.

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