

# **Broughty Ferry Community Council**

## **Minute of Virtual Ordinary Meeting held using ZOOM on 6th October 2020**

Meeting opened 7.00pm

Action

### **1. Community Councillors Present**

Anna Robb (Chair), David Easson (Treasurer), James Doig (Secretary),  
John Watson (Planning), Fiona Lund (P.R.), Carolyn Forrester, Joyce McIntosh.

### **In Attendance**

Natalie Mackland.

Dawn Turnbull (Community Liaison Officer – McLaughlin & Harvey).

Kenneth Leslie (Site Agent – McLaughlin & Harvey).

### **Ex Officio**

Bailie Derek Scott.

### **Apologies**

Adele McGrath, Charlie Delaney, Doreen Phillips, Doug McLaren, Fiona M Potton,  
Isabel McLean, Neil Cooney, Norma McGovern, Stan Nutt, Jacqueline Fleming,  
PC's Susan Morrison & Garrie Watson, Cllr Craig Duncan, Cllr Philip Scott.

### **Members of the Public Present**

Brian Stewart, Kathryn Wright, Wilma Woudenberg.

### **2. Presentation by representatives of McLaughlin & Harvey**

on Broughty Ferry Flood Defence System.

Dawn Turnbull & Kenneth Leslie gave an update presentation to the meeting with regard to what's going on and where we are at present.

Piling is complete on sections 1 & 2 which are the full length of Douglas Terrace and the area in front of the Ship Public House (east of the Lifeboat shed).

The wall panels in Douglas Terrace will commence in a few days time with kerbing and paving in about a month. (They are presently 7-10 days behind schedule).

There are story boards along the front which shows how it was, during construction and what it will look like once complete.

Community boards are due to be erected next week and will be kept up to date.

The company are doing educational digital lecture presentations to colleges and schools.

Grove pupils are doing murals on hoardings as part of the 'Princes Trust' scheme.

They are also looking to work together with the wider community and putting out a quarterly newsletter to dedicated addresses within the waterfront area and will update BFCC via the secretary by email on developments.

The progress and process of the work being carried out is appreciated by BFCC and the community.

### **3. Minutes of previous Meeting (1st September 2020)**

With the following amendments;

Item 4 Chairs Report; include after; be beneficial [and she would distribute previous training notes that would reflect previous conversations and highlight specific topics to focus on.

There is also a link for distribution on how Community Councils have responded to the Corona Virus pandemic.

<http://www.communitycouncils.scot/community-council-covid-19-responses.html>

It was agreed BFCC would look at priorities for the coming year at the next meeting].

Item 13 AOCB; Add, [Jacqui highlighted the Engage Dundee consultation which will be available online and on Facebook, this will be used to determine services which are most important to local people.

Also, Dundee Partnership fund is available for activities taking place during November and December but the deadline for application is 10th September 2020].

Minute proposed by John Watson seconded by Carolyn Forrester and agreed by the members present.

### **4. Matters Arising**

Pop-up-policeman is on order and payment sent to the supplier (see Item 6 for update)..

### **5. Chairs Report**

Thanks to David and Jim for organising and payment of Zoom Pro, pop-up-policeman and Fiona for the P.R. work carried out over the past few weeks which looks like it may continue over the next few months.

With regard to Zoom, David intimated and thanked Jim for the 20% discount achieved (£115.10 instead of £143.88) for the years subscription.

### **6. Police Report**

The secretary contacted the pop-up-policeman supplier (Caledonia signs) who informed me it was delivered to Longhaugh Police Station. I contacted Community PC Garrie Watson who informed me he had been on leave and will collect it on Tuesday 6th October.

PC Watson also requested of any specific Roads which are of particular concern to BFCC.

He had received complaints of speeding in Broughty Ferry Road, Forthill Road and Balgillo Road.

In addition to those mentioned BFCC wish to add Queen Street, Monifieth Road, Dalhousie Road, Claypotts Road, Nursery Road and Dundee Road.

Members of the public can propose possible locations via the BFCC website.

PC Watson was also aware of concerns regarding the graffiti which has appeared at numerous locations throughout central Broughty Ferry, Owners of each property have been contacted by the police and enquiries are ongoing, Dundee City Council have been contacted and are to be removing the graffiti.

### **7. Secretary's Report (Previously circulated).**

Information which was received following 1st September meeting included;

Bailie Derek Scott intimated, Hillcrest to give tenants at Sandy Loan an opportunity to purchase their flat in the near future which had been suspended due to lo lockdown.

Suburban Ranch; Planning Officers advised that planning permission would be required for the proposed development.

Reference seating areas on roads in Broughty Ferry, Council are to check submitted layout proposals and carry out a site inspection. Engineers have reviewed location and are happy it does not create a road safety hazard but will continue to monitor lane occupation. Cllr. Craig Duncan has been involved with the above and the enforcement of the 20mph speed limit in central Broughty Ferry.

Email from Cambustay Development Team reference planning at the former Hotel, (refer to Planning Secretary's Report).

The possibility of a Zoom subscription for future Community Council Meetings.

Zoom upgrade to Pro. Payment processed (£115.10 inc vat).

Engage Dundee consultation service (experience during lockdown).

RoSPA, prevention of falls in the elderly.

Marie Curie, availability of resources.

Year of the older person, Dundee volunteer and voluntary action.

Dundee Partnership E-Bulletin.

Members giving reports please provide the secretary with a copy (by email).

## **8. Planning Report**

Members noted the content of the 31st August to 2nd October report previously circulated.

20/00534/FULL – New shared foot / cycle way - The Esplanade, Broughty Ferry,

The Planning Secretary provided the background that had led to the letter dated 30th September which formed part of his report being sent to the Case Officer which included BFCC's **preliminary** view that it **supported** the application subject to three conditions. A motion that the view be ratified was proposed by Carolyn Forrester and seconded by Fiona Lund and agreed by members. The full text of the letter will appear on the BFCC website.

Former Cambustay Hotel Development, Plans are being developed to include new Care Commission rules. David Coutts of the development team will keep BFCC updated. Suburban Ranch, although there has been no planning application the site has been cleared and a fence (which requires planning consent) erected.

## **9. Licensing Report**

Nil

## **10. Public Relations Report**

Website: A few enquiries have come through the website since our last meeting, they have all been concerning the proposed changes at the Esplanade. They have been circulated to the Community Councillors and enquirers have been directed to also contact Craig Swankie and the four elected members for the Ferry.

I have been continuing to put information on to the website, along with an invite to our monthly meetings via Zoom. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting is given joining details by the secretary.

Facebook: Myself and Anna are now administrators for our Facebook page along with Adele and Neil. After a successful meeting with the Stobswell Forum which included discussing how best to use Facebook (they have 1800 followers), myself and the rest of the communications group will look at.

What we want to communicate.

Consider a uniform way to communicate.

Whose information we should be sharing.

Who will be responsible for what in order to avoid duplication and to share the workload.

Look at other methods of communication for possible in future use such as twitter and Instagram. We have also posted an invite to this month's meeting which includes our email address so any interested parties can contact us for details.

Further Publicity: Pop-up-policeman, once we have taken delivery of our man then I would suggest a photo shoot so we can get that onto the website, Facebook, Spotlight and I now have a contact at the Evening Telegraph so hopefully we can get a mention there too.

It was noted any press release should be by a consensus of BFCC.

Natalie suggested a photo shoot once the pop-up-policeman is in situ and put on website, Facebook etc.

Any other suggestions would be gratefully received.

### **11. Beach Management Report**

The planned meeting due to take place on 16th September was cancelled as a result of current Government guidelines relating to Covid 19.

The "walkabout" which would normally take place a couple of days before the meeting was also cancelled but there is hope that a small number of people might be able to participate in walkabout sometime in the autumn again depending on current guidelines. One idea is a litter pick-up, with social distancing, Natalie stated funding was available for boxes to hold bags, tabards etc.

Brian Stewart stated Rotary do a litter pick-up which includes the Dighty Burn, Gilles Park and Douglas Terrace.

I circulated the most recent version of the action plan to Community Councillors for any comments or updates, none were received.

I updated action 27 on the plan re the Bridge Street Play Area where a gate has now been added but no lock or latch, so it still blows open and allows dogs in to foul the area.

Sally has passed my request for a lock to the appropriate department.

### **12. Matters Raised by Community Councillors**

Anna stated we should start thinking about our development plan and engage with the public for our next meeting.

The West End Community Council has a Community Fridge situated in Perth Road, Should we in BFCC be looking to develop something similar ?. David intimated Broughty Ferry Churches Group (Lindsay of Gate Church Dundee is planning to host a Zoom meeting on Tuesday 10th November at 2.00pm to discuss this issue).

Anna proposed that (Matters proposed by Members of the Public) should be near the beginning of the agenda, this would allow members of the public present to leave the meeting if they so wished. This was agreed by the BFCC members.

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

**Baillie Derek Scott** reported on the following;

He had received complaints from residents about the standard of some pothole infilling. He raised it with the Roads Maintenance Partnership who advised that due to Covid 19 they are using 'splodge' patching much more at the moment than permanent patching. This will be rectified when the permanent patching squad is available again full time.

Broughty Ferry Traders Association has submitted a bid to the Council's Festive Fund. It is anticipated that if they receive a grant then they will be in a position to install the same amount of Christmas lights as last year.

Following representations, the Council made further adjustments to the biodiversity plans for Dawson Park and Claypotts Pond. There will now be an on-line consultation survey for all the areas still ear-marked for biodiversity / naturalised zones.

The Esplanade at Barnhill Rock Garden, which has been closed since June, will re-open to cars week commencing 26th October.

A new E-bike service is starting up in Dundee. There will be 400 bikes distributed across 40 docking stations in the city. One has recently been installed at Windmill Car Park.

Derek is having on going meetings and correspondence with Council Officers regarding jet ski complaints. Amongst other measures, a code of conduct is being explored.

The Council was a bit over zealous in painting 20mph roundels in central Broughty Ferry. Following concerns raised these were removed from the cobbled section of Long Lane.

If the 20mph zone is retained the markings in any other inappropriate locations will either be left to fade or be removed.

He has been raising concerns for some time about speeding traffic on Monifieth Road / Dalhousie Road. In response to a recent enquiry he made it was decided that the mobile safety camera unit would be deployed there.

Broughty Ferry Library re-opened, but only for a collect service. Unfortunately, this is likely to last for some time.

**Councillor Craig Duncan** reported the following; At the request of the head of Barnhill Primary School, he recently met on site with her, the police and parking enforcement officers to again review ongoing problems with inconsiderate parking by parents / carers etc outside the school at the top of Abercrombie Street. These are depressingly perennial problems but am pleased to report that I have secured a promise from the Council's Head of Roads and Transportation that the recommendation of the recent meeting will be delivered, namely that yellow Zig Zag, School Keep Clear markings will be put in place. Hopefully this will act as a shot across the bows of inconsiderate drivers and will allow parking enforcement the legal means to impose penalties for offenders but crucially these markings will not inconvenience residents, outwith school terms, hours etc.

Along with a resident of Panmurefield Den, I recently met with the Head Teacher and senior pupils of Monifieth High School to discuss ongoing littering problems on the route between the school and the shops at Panmurefield, causing huge irritation to residents. To be fair to the school, they voluntarily carry out litter patrols on Tuesday and Thursdays and I will encourage businesses that financially benefit from the custom of these pupils to mount 'litter patrols' in the same manner as several well known fast food chains ensure that their staff carry out litter patrols. Additionally at my request the Council have installed additional litter bins.

I continue to press the Council and others to take meaningful action around irresponsible Jet skiers and am pleased to say that a further meeting to explore and define areas of Responsibilities and enforcement options and can report that another meeting with responsible parties is imminent.

Speeding; I have raised a growing number of complaints from residents over speeding in Broughty Ferry, partly in the new 20mph zones but also on Monifieth Road, Dalhousie Road, Balgillo Road etc both the Council and police assure me that they are developing solutions.

I have raised concerns about recent graffiti in central Broughty Ferry as well as the filthy state of the pavements in the main shopping area of Brook Street and am assured that the Council's jet wash team will tackle these issues this week and that the police are actively investigating the graffiti issues.

**14. Matters raised by members of the public (previously intimated).**

A number of queries with reference to planning application 20/00534/FULL  
For the proposed cycle/foot way, parking etc.(see Planning Secretary's Report).

**15. AOCB**

It was good to see Rotary President Brian Stewart at the meeting who stated they wish to have better links with the community.

The markings on pavements were highlighted, asking if it was any use or necessary.  
They were put in place as a temporary measure but the majority of pedestrians ignore them.

**It was agreed the next Ordinary Meeting of the Community Council would be held on Tuesday 3rd November 2020 at 7.00pm.**