

Broughty Ferry Community Council

Minute of Virtual Ordinary Meeting held using ZOOM on 4th May 2021

Meeting opened 7.30pm

Action

1. Community Councillors Present

Neil Cooney (Chair), Anna Robb (Vice Chair), James Doig (Secretary), David Easson (Treasurer), John Watson (Planning), Stan Nutt (Licensing), Brian Stewart, Charlie Delaney, Doreen Phillips, Fiona M Potton, Isabel McLean, Norma McGovern, Tara Javed.

In Attendance

Jacqueline Fleming, Natalie Mackland.

Ex Officio

Bailie Derek Scott, Cllr Craig Duncan.

Apologies

Fiona Lund (PR), Cllr Philip Scott,

Members of the Public Present

4 members of the public were in attendance.

2 Confirmation of Nomination forms for Community Councillors

Completed nomination forms had been received from four co-opted members of BFCC (Neil Cooney, Isabel McLean, Brian Stewart & Tara Javed) and member of the public (Gavin Mackenzie) who had received the relevant paperwork. The five stated above all residing within the Broughty Ferry area, address, proposer and seconder checked on the Electoral Register and were duly officially elected as members of Broughty Ferry Community Council.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (6th April 2021)

With the exception of a corrected spelling error, the draft minute previously distributed to all members was agreed and Proposed by John Watson Seconded by Tara Javed.

4. Matters arising from previous minute

Extending meetings for training purposes (package being put together and will be distributed shortly).

Photo/Postcard Competition is ongoing.

ID badges, on hold until Covid restrictions lifted. Some photographs were taken previously and a draft mock-up is being produced.

A Community Fridge working group was set up and next meeting to be held in June.

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5. Chairs Report

Nothing to add to the chairs report as stated in the May AGM.

6. Matters Raised by Members of the Public (previously intimated)

Nil

7. Correspondence

The following correspondence has been received since our last meeting of 6th April 2021.

- 6/4 Falls Prevention-Information Session.
- 6/4 Community Fridge-Meeting Minute.
- 9/4 MS Awareness Week-Tayside.
- 14/4 Scottish Election Manifesto and Hustings Poster-Dundee OAP's.
- 14/4 Boomerang Community Grant Award-Dundee OAP's.
- 14/4 Scottish Older Peoples Assembly-Healthcare during Covid.
- 19/4 Living Matters.
- 19/4 Funding Scotland-Updates.
- 20/4 Deaf Action Befriending Project.
- 27/4 District Centre Fund- Queen Street Car Park (Draft Sketches)
- 28/4 Queen Street Car Park (Community Notice Board).
- 29/4 Green Health Week (Activities 8th – 16th May).
- 3/5 Volunteer week 2021.

Other correspondence received by Fiona Lund P.R.had been previously distributed.

8. Public Engagement Campaign Ideas

Nil to report.

9. Police Report

No report.

10. Secretary's Report – Information received (see also correspondence)

Update on Broughty Ferry Flood protection Scheme (Previously distributed).

Douglas Terrace; The section between the rail bridge and Home Street has been completed. Work has commenced across the rail bridge onto Dundee Road, installing new lighting, replacing the carriageway and pavements.

Part of the shared walkway and cycle path is now open and handrails installed which will be painted blue to match the existing towards the grassy beach. Once complete work will then move to the section between Home Street and Westfield Road.

The paving and north footpath outside the Ship Inn has been completed and are now moving east in small sections. U channels are progressing on the beach side ahead of drainage and infill for cycle path / walkway which will continue towards Beach Crescent where a platform has been constructed and piling work is now complete.

The south footpath will be closed from 3rd May prior to the installation of new drainage and the precast concrete steps which will be the main design feature in this area.

Congratulations to the winners of the decorative gates competition which have been announced this week.

(Gate 1 is a Forthill P7 pupil; Gate 2 is an Eastern P7 pupil with a runner up from Forthill P7 pupil (who wins £100 for the school). Designs are available on the BFCC

website and displayed outside the offices in Beach Crescent. The two winning designs will have their gates created and sited when the project is completed early next year.

Question raised with regard to the bollards which have been removed at the Fisher Street / Bath Street junction. They have been removed for works access and will be replaced once work complete.

Broughty Ferry to Monifieth – Active Travel Project

There is nothing further to add to the update provided last month.

11. Treasurer’s Report (Previously distributed).

Nothing further to add to the report as stated in the May AGM.

12. Planning Report;

For the period 1st – 30th April 2021 (Previously distributed).

21/00119/FULL 314-316 Brook Street Broughty Ferry;

This application was refused by the Planning Committee on 19th April by 17 votes to 7 As it was contrary to Policy 27 of the Dundee Local Development Plan.

21/00138/FULL Glenogil, 9A Ogilvie Road, Broughty Ferry – RTYC;

Change of use, application supported by BFCC is still under consideration and will be considered by the Planning Committee due to the number of objections received.

Proposed Closure and Blocking up of Mill Street, Broughty Ferry;

Traffic Order approved by DCC in March and related to Planning Application 20/00534/FULL – Active Travel Project, Cycleway, footpath & associated infrastructure which was supported by BFCC and are subject to a 28 day public consultation prior to implementation. An objection has been received from a Castle Terrace resident.

National Planning Framework 4; Initial Default Minimum All-Tenure Housing Land Requirement for the Tay Cities Region Area;

Letter received from DCC, Councils asked to work with Housing Market Partnerships to provide a considered view. Reply sent to Planning and Economic Development/Housing and Communities (This Community Council’s clear view is that a locally adjusted housing estimate should replace the default Government figures).

Queen Street Car Park Upgrade; Jacqui had circulated draft sketches from the Planning Department to all members for comment. Email returns are very favourable. Such improvements are overdue and are to be welcomed and include landscape area, Christmas tree and notice board with a completion date by the end of 2021.

Question asked with regard to number of car parking spaces, recycling bins location taking up a number of spaces.

Civic Trust – Response to Care Home application. Our internet site ?.

Dundee Civic Trust considers that the development of the Care Home here will be an acceptable use of this derelict brownfield site. We think it is unlikely that the existing zoning for business use will be taken up and this development will provide a not unattractive frontage to the Stannergate not detracting from the Riverside Cycle and Walkway.

Heavy planting will be required on the west side of the site to screen the large tank structure. Noise attenuation measures will be required in the design to reduce disturbance by trains. We expect there to be a fully developed landscape plan and public art provision, possibly at the public walkway.

Any site contamination issues will need to be addressed before development commences. We note that the major sewers on site are not affected by the building envelope. Car parking can be increased to the north of the site if required. We note objections from Dundee Road West residents but recognise that protection of views is not generally a planning matter.

20/00823/FULL – Linlathen; Former walled garden, 16 dwellings. Council Committee decision on 17th May 2021. BFCC object as contrary to LDP and not necessary to speak.

13. Licensing Report.

Nil to report.

14 Public Relations Report; (previously distributed).

Website; Adding information as usual throughout the month and updating website with seasonal photos.

April enquiries (previously distributed); 6 from members of the public, financial management in voluntary sector and candidate for Community Council.

Facebook; The number of followers has again increased from 344 to 355.

The most popular posts are the new cycle repair stand at Queen Street car park, the Community Fridge and the Broughty Ferry to Monifieth Active Travel Update.

Spotlight; Chairman Neil's appointment is again running in the May and June Issues along with an advert for the AGM to be held in May.

Publicity; The Evening Telegraph contacted us with regard to the re-opening of the Esplanade and a neutral comment inserted.

15. Matters raised by Community Councillors.

A number of propaganda stickers are appearing on lamp posts etc and on the notice board in Dawson Park, these are unacceptable. The DCC rapid response team should be contacted to remove these items.

The overgrown bushes and weeds reducing the width of the pavement on the north side of Balgillo Road has been cut between North Balmossie Street and the bus stop at Ceres Crescent but requires completion west to Balgillo Road East.

Derek Scott to discuss with the contractors (Green Belt).

Saturday 1st May was the reintroduction of the dog free zone on Broughty Ferry beach.

On Sunday 2nd May a number of dogs were seen on the beach east of the castle.

A DCC employee had spoken to a number of dog owners and stated one of the problems was lack of signage at the east end of the beach when owners walk from Monifieth end?

A discussion took place on the lack of signage which will hopefully be addressed by DCC Environmental Department.

16 Contributions from elected Members;

Baillie Derek Scott's report had been previously distributed;

Cabman's shelter; Question raised at previous meeting, DCC confirm it is owned by them and some repairs are to be undertaken prior to painting in its original Railway Station colour and the taxi cab signs removed. It is thought there are no services available. Its future will be assessed in due course. The shelter is category C listed from Historic Environment Scotland and dates back to 1878 and considered a crucial link in the transport system which developed in response to the growth of Broughty Ferry.

Covid Testing/vaccination; Asymptomatic testing for Covid 19 has commenced in local communities. The unit is located at Forthill Primary School on Sunday's from 10.00am until 4.00pm., appointments are not required.

A few residents who have had their first vaccine jab (approaching the 12 week stage) have not been advised of their second dose should contact the national vaccine helpline or local booking team.

2021/22 Road/pavement resurfacing schedule – The Road Maintenance Partnership has published its resurfacing scheme and is on the Council website. Ardmore Avenue is

included in the unadopted assets programme but these were adopted and brought up to standard in 2016. Another scheme will now replace Ardmore Avenue, hopefully in Broughty Ferry.

20mph zone – DCC proposing to make the temporary 20mph zone in Broughty Ferry permanent. The relevant traffic orders will be raised and advertised accordingly. It was highlighted vehicles were still travelling over the limit in certain areas.

Parking Charges – They were suspended on 26th December 2020 in response to the level 4 pandemic restrictions. These will be reintroduced on 10th May 2021.

I proposed, unsuccessfully they should remain free until the end of the year to support local business recovery and encourage local shopping.

Broughty Ferry Library – will reopen on 3rd May with restrictions put in place to keep visitors and staff safe. There will be reduced opening hours and the service will include returns, browsing and borrowing, PC access (1hr limit). Stock will be subject to 72 hour quarantine.

Fly-Tipping, Tom Johnstone Road - The area is privately managed but the area requires a clean-up. The Councils rapid response team have agreed to do a one off uplift of rubbish. The area has attracted fly tipping and the owners have been advised that action be considered to limit access by fly tippers.

Cycle Path Arbroath Road – Question raised as to lack of link to Fairfield Road is due to the utilities at that location. Having raised the question, a solution has been found that avoids the utilities and work should be carried out shortly.

Lifeguards, Jet skis and signage at beach & harbour area – Ward Councillors will get an update during May and report submitted on developments at the next meeting.

Cllr. Craig Duncan’s report had been previously distributed;

a) Biodiversity - 27 sites identified across the city including Broughty Ferry such as Dawson Park. Employment of a Community Environment Officer has been approved and will hopefully assist in the formation and roll out of this initiative.

b) Balgillo Road - Residents concerns raised with Head of Roads & Transportation to explore the location and possibility of installing measures to assist pedestrians crossing this increasingly busy road.

c) Train Station – Continue to press for installation of covered seating.

d) Broughty Ferry main streets - As appearances matter, a request that the main streets be jet washed as the appearance is marred by discarded food and drink.

e) Balgillo Road East – Pavement widening, part of the spaces for people programme should have commenced but delays arisen with the contractor, but will proceed toward the middle of the month.

f) – Weed Spraying - This will commence around mid May (weather permitting) and expect to apply two applications this year. The ingredients are similar to previous applications but method of application is more precise by operators using back packs in addition to the quad bikes.

17. AOCB

Question raised with regard to the training of Lifeguards for Broughty Ferry beach as the Olympia is to be closed for a period over the summer. Derek stated there are a number of issues to be addressed including Lifeguards and jet skiers.

Tara informed the meeting the Grove parent council were looking to have a “MUGA” pitch installed which could also be used by the community and hoped for support from BFCC.

It was noted the Orchar Park bowling club and pavilion was closed, DCC are not maintaining Council bowling within its area. Majority of members have moved to Monifieth.

It was agreed the next Ordinary Meeting of the Community Council would be held on Tuesday 1st June 2021 at 7.00pm.