## **Broughty Ferry Community Council**

Minute of Ordinary Meeting held in Broughty Ferry Library on Tuesday 5th March 2024.

Meeting opened at 7.00pm

### 1. Community Councillors Present

Neil Cooney (Chair) Doreen Phillips (Vice-Chair), James Doig (Secretary), John Watson (Planning Secretary), David Easson (Treasurer), Fiona Potton, Lorna Murray, Kenny Matheson, Isobel Mclean, Norma McGovern, Charlie Delaney, Tara Javed, Doug McLaren.

In Attendance

Nil

### Ex-Officio

Bailie Derek Scott.

### **Apologies**

Stan Nutt, Chris Johnston, Christine Rea, Joanne Kelly, PC. Steven Wallace, PC. Stewart Merchant, Cllr Craig Duncan, Cllr Kevin Cordell, Cllr Pete Shears.

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

6 members of the public were present.

### 2. Minute of Previous Meeting (6th February 2024)

The draft minute of 6th February 2024 was agreed as a true minute, proposed by Fiona Potton seconded by Charlie Delaney and agreed by the members present.

Lack of toilet facilities in central Broughty Ferry; discussions still ongoing ?. The Library toilet is considered unsuitable for general public use. It was noted there is always a queue, especially when small children are present and although there is a toilet downstairs it is not suitable for the public, therefore, the library requires additional toilet facilities for public use.

Joint Forum of Community Councils across Scotland. Update ?. Community Councils across Scotland have agreed to join the forum (with 2 being in Dundee). It is thought that as joining would be beneficial with shared information, facilities and meetings, members agreed to joining the Scotland forum. BFCC have joined the form of Community Councils and we await further information and updates.

Short Term Lets; It was agreed at the December meeting to invite a representative of the Planning Department to the March or April meeting to update members on the new regulations regarding 'short term lets.

Planning Secretary has intimated Principal Planning Officer Gary Knox to speak on NPF4 and Short-term Lets at a future meeting.

Broughty Ferry, Proposed cuts; Bailie Scott had highlighted the savings required by DCC over the next year may lead to (The closing of Broughty Castle, the introduction of street parking charges in central Broughty Ferry, cuts to school crossing patrol officers).

These facilities will be funded for a further year, but, a consultation process document produced, will take place this year which contains possible proposals. (Info updated in Bailie Scott's March Report).

Westfield Road Traffic Issues; (The background to the problem, including the damage to residents parked vehicles being damaged / written off by delivery lorries using the road out of Broughty Ferry with the aim of a consultation meeting with interested parties to discuss the options which may include calming measures and request supermarket lorries to avoid Westfield Road. Reply noted in Bailie Scott's report.

### 4. Chairs Report

Nothing further to report, BFCC has joined the Scotland forum for Community Councils (the majority of Community Councils have joined the forum).

### 5. Matters raised by Members of the Public (Previously intimated) No notifications received.

### 6. Police Report

**Anti-social behaviour;** We have been made aware of an escalation in the behaviour of begging in Broughty Ferry and in particular, the area of Brook Street. Reports have been received describing aggressive behaviour, aggressive begging, defecating in public and drug misuse. We have liaised with staff in surrounding shops to provide reassurances and gather information on persons responsible, allowing us to move these people from the area. Can I ask that Police are contacted on 101 or 999 please if this behaviour is observed as we are keen to deal with this in a robust manner.

We have also received an increase in calls reporting anti-social behaviour involving school pupils at Long Lane and in Brook Street before, during and after school.

Reports were made of youths hanging around in private common closes and alleyways connecting both streets. The youths have been using these areas to urinate, litter and smoke. I have identified several pupils along with the help of local schools using ring doorbell footage. Those responsible have been spoken to in the presence of parents and teachers. Again, can I ask that Police are contacted on 101 or 999 please if this behaviour is observed.

**Schools;** Earlier today (05/03/2024) PC Wallace and PC Merchant attended at Gillies Park car park with Dundee City Council Traffic wardens to carry out a traffic initiative. We have received complaints regarding parking and careless driving at the end of the school day from both the school and the public.

This has also been echoed by Charlie who operates as a Lollypop person at the Strathmore Street side of the school.

I have spoken with Ali Brankin at the Dundee City Council who has confirmed that he has also received similar complaints. As a result, we will be working together to carry out sporadic initiatives at all schools in Broughty Ferry to combat misuse of the prohibition roads and zigzag lines.

**Future Events;** Stewart Merchant and PC Steven Wallace will attend 'Coffee with a Cop' at Broughty Ferry library on 25/03/2024 to meet and speak with the local public and address numerous concerns. We will endeavour to continue Coff with a Cop and this event will be advertised on posters within the library and on Police Scotland Social Media platforms.

We will also continue to attend at Barnhill Blethers at Barnhill Community Centre to speak with those attending. Like Coffee with a Cop, we will endeavour to attend at this event as often as we can.

### 7. Secretary's Report (Previously Distributed) Correspondence

- 18/2 Scottish Forum Community Councils Conference on Democracy Matters, Being held online on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 10.30am.
- 22/2 DCC 20mph zones, proposed streets (Woodside & Stobswell areas).
- 29/2 DCC 20mph zones, proposed streets (Logie area).

### 8. Planning Report 1st – 29th February 2024

(Previously Distributed)

Of the 10 planning and 10 tree applications validated and examined during the above period, none required attention and one mentioned. The reaction to the alleged breach of planning 26 Westfield Road debated at the February meeting is included for the record. Also, members concerns regarding 23/00789/FULM – Residential development land south of Linlathen Grove, Broughty Ferry, were addressed and a note sent to the Case Officer is attached for advice.

24/00110/PPPL – Bowling Pavilion Offices and Toilets, Dawson Park – Part change of use to community café. This is mentioned because of its interest.

Letter to Planning Officer Craig Swankie - 21/2/2024.

21/00504/FULL – Extension to east elevation, proposed double garage and widening of existing boundary wall. 26 Westfield Road, Broughty Ferry Dundee DD5 1ED – Approved December 2021. Alleged Breaches of Planning.

Reference is made to an email of Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 and your reply of the same date. Attached to mine was an email to BFCC dated 3<sup>rd</sup> February from Janine Melville containing the above allegation.

The matter was included in item 8 Planning Report, of the agenda at the regular meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024. Three members of the public who attended that meeting and expressed an interest in the matter were given the opportunity by the

Chairman to speak to provide further information regarding the allegations. To be clear, BFCC provided a neutral response to the Case Officer on its view of the application prior to DCC's decision to approve it subject to conditions on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2021. It noted, understood, and accepted the content of the Head of Planning and Economic Development's Material Considerations in paragraphs 7.32 through to 7.53 of his report to the Planning Committee on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2021. It therefore did not view any criticism of the decision-making process in 2021 as being relevant to the alleged breaches of planning now being made, it does however take any allegation of breaches of approved planning most seriously and listened carefully to those who spoke.

It became clear that the allegations were centred upon two matters:

- That the ridge height of the garage exceeded that approved and alterations had been made to the approved design of the structure.
- Condition 1., that referred to the south boundary wall in the approval notice had been breached.

During discussion other statements that stand to be verified referred to alterations in the design of the extension to the east elevation, garden space inadequate, are therefore not considered here but mentioned for the sake of record.

As is stated earlier, BFCC must take any allegation of breaches to approved planning projects seriously. It does not have the resources to investigate such allegations; that is for DCC through its enforcement officers. However, it is understood that initial investigations may have revealed differences to the approved design of the garage to that now constructed; differences that have already had a severe negative impact upon the wellbeing of those residents adjacent and nearby the development.

Mention was made of the likelihood of a retrospective planning application being presented to cover the alterations to the 2021 approved project. BFCC could offer no opinion on that issue since it was a matter for DCC to decide. However, having listened to the further information regarding the alleged breaches and should those breaches be verified in due course, it would find great difficulty to support such an application.

BFCC is also of the opinion that the content of the Director of Planning and Economic Development's approved report of December 2021 is clear. The documentation attached to and supporting the application is all part of that approval. The successful applicant is bound by the terms of that approval including the conditions attached. To deviate from what was approved without the further consultation and approval of the authority must be regarded as a breach. It would be unfortunate for the future of planning control should such actions be excused.

BFCC regard this response as a means to support DCC in its control of local planning matters and its local community also in that regard.

Consequent to this the Planning Secretary has visited the site on two occasions and is of the strong view that, while sympathetic to the views of members of the public expressed at the February meeting, BFCC should confine its concerns to the alleged breach of planning in the construction of the garage and await the outcome of the Enforcement Officer's report in due course.

The alleged breach relating to the south boundary wall, said by the complainers to be Victorian in origin, relies on the opinion of those making the allegation.

It is said that the wall was in good condition before it was demolished and the stonework removed from the site was fit to be reused as approved. There is no evidence to support that statement. The fact that sometime in the past the wall had been rendered indicates that the original mortar had decayed to an extent that to protect its integrity the wall had to be rendered. Such treatment has a finite life and to allege that the wall was in good condition before its demolition stands to be challenged. It is worthy to note that the wall is now being constructed is of stone and the work is of a high standard in the Planning Secretary's private opinion.

### Letter to Planning Officer Craig Swankie – 21/2/2024. 23/00789/FULM – Land to South of Linlathen Grove, Arbroath Road Broughty Ferry, Dundee Residential Development with associated infrastructure and landscaping.

Reference is made to BFCC's preliminary decision contained in its response dated 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 wherein it withdrew its earlier preliminary objection dated 14<sup>th</sup> December. Its preliminary decision of 8<sup>th</sup> January was acknowledged by you as 'representation comments relating to the development' on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

The matter was discussed at its regular meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> February when, although it agreed it was unable to justify its preliminary decision to object to the application, its representative comments of 8<sup>th</sup> January did contain elements that deserved attention when the application was considered by your department in relation to the current Local Development Plan.

- Public transport, While it did note that a legal agreement was being prepared between the applicant and a transport operator in October 2023 no evidence has been provided since of such an agreement being signed nor has there been any notice issued of when such a service will begin. BFCC is of the strong view that a regular bus service should be established before a final planning decision is made.
- Part of the proposed development is upon land not set aside in the current LDP for such a purpose. In his decision regarding refusal of application
  20/00824/FULL, the Reporter stated, 'The project would be located on land not allocated for housing development. Nothing has been put to me to indicate and need for the houses proposed as a result of any general deficiency in land supply.' BFCC contend that this statement remains valid when considering the current application.
- The Reporter stated that when providing his reasoning in upholding the refusal of application 20/00823/FULL, I have some concerns about the operation of Balgillo roundabout. BFCC sharing such concerns would hope they were considered during the planning process in regards to this application.

The content of this has been ratified by members of BFCC on this date through electronic communication.

A late Planning application was highlighted as follows;

# 24/00105/FULL – Garden Ground to East of 11 Norrie Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee. Erection of house in Garden Ground.

This site lies within the Reres Hill Conservation Area and will be subject to the content of Policies 49, 50 and 51 of Dundee City Council (DCC) Local Development

Plan 2019 (LDP). Due regard should also be taken of the Scottish Government's NDP4 adopted in 2023.

It is worth noting that this site was the subject of planning applications **17/00500/LBC: 17/00492/CON and 17/00493/CON** nearly seven years ago. Each application was refused and this Community Council would strongly assert that the content of the Reports of Handling by the Appointed Officer attached to refusal decisions of each of these applications are as relevant now to the current application as they were then. Equally the content of this Community Council's letter of objection dated 15<sup>th</sup> July 2017 to the 2027 applications applies to this current application. That letter is attached to this and should be regarded as part of this response.

It is clear that the applicant on this occasion is attempting to persuade DCC that it should look to favour this application because of the content of the NDP4 and spends time in its Design Statement to justify its approach. It concludes its Statement *the proposal complies with the development plan mostly* (bold letters by author of this) and is heavily support by NPF guidelines/policies. This is an opinion that is seriously flawed and ignores the content of Policy 7 of NPF4, particularly paragraphs d) and e).

The text of BFCC's letter of 15<sup>th</sup> July 2017 referred to above was/is as follows: 17/00500/LBC: 17/00492/CON and 17/00493/FULL – Demolition of existing garage and construction of new dwelling house in rear garden with associated parking and landscaping and creation of parking for existing house. Location: Garden Ground to East of, 11 Norrie Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee. When considering its preliminary view on these three applications, Broughty Ferry Community Council (BFCC), concluded that the applicant had not taken into consideration the historical significance of the site and it formed the view that the successful application 11/00333/FULL: Subdivision of house to reinstate as two houses. Location: 11 – 13 Norrie Street, Broughty Ferry, Dundee, had been made to facilitate the current applications. It noted that while the successful application made in 2011 was to reinstate the site as two houses, examination of the documents supporting that application show that while the houses were to be reinstated, the original garden spaces were not, with the lion's share then being allocated to No. 11.

The BFCC's preliminary view was reinforced when the applicant, in documents supporting the current applications, refers to pre-planning advice for a single house being sought in May 2015. There is no evidence to show that any planning applications were presented then as a result of such advice.

It is known that the symmetrical terrace that included Nos. 7, 9, 11 and 13 Norrie Street, was listed Category C and added to the list on the 29<sup>th</sup> October 1991. Given this information it can be supposed that Nos. 11 and 13 were separate houses at that time and came together as one later. The legal part of listing is the address/name of site only, this being the case the site will include the whole of its curtilage, i.e. its garden area.

The whole of Norrie Street lies within the Reres Hill Conservation Area so No.11 Norrie Street is subject to the content of the 2014 Local Development Plan whose **Policy 50: Development in Conservation Areas** states that 'Within conservation areas all development proposals will be expected to preserve or enhance the character of the surrounding area. 'This will require the retention of all features that contribute to the character and appearance of the conservation area.

In Section 2.3 of the guidance notes mentioned earlier, it states, 'Original walls should be repointed with lime and they should not be painted, though a lime render may be appropriate in some circumstances. Stone or brick boundary walls requiring significant rebuilding should be rebuilt using the original material, as far as possible, and using matching (perhaps salvaged0 material thereafter.

The proposal to erect a new house in the garden to the east of the listed house will materially alter the character of the surrounding area and be contrary to the content of Policy 50 of the 2014 Local Development Plan. The proposed interference to the structure of the boundary wall to the east of the site is also contrary to the guidelines for the development in conservation areas. The proposal is made from afar with an apparent attempt by the applicant to seek further advice from the planning authority before submitting the applications.

The application is dammed by the content of its **Design and Access Statement**, a supporting document attached to the applications, **Section 2. Planning History Relevant to this Application**, which refers to advice given to the applicant by email on the 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015 by Ms Beverly Knox of the planning department. The last paragraph under the heading **pre-planning advice** states: We the applicant, Ed) were advised that the original proposal would have a negative impact upon the character and setting of the listed building and that therefore the 'principal of a dwelling in this location is unlikely to be acceptable.'

The applicant may well have modified its design of the proposed newbuild since its first approach in 2015, however, its 'Design and Access Statement' referred to above reads as a 'Fait Accompli' and is arrogant in its approach to earlier advice given.

We contend that the advice given to the applicant by Ms Beverly Knox in June 2015 still holds good but would take a stronger view by stating that **the construction of a dwelling in this location is unacceptable.** 

Broughty Ferry Community Councils preliminary view of application 24/00105/FULL is that it objects to it in the strongest possible terms.

The above was sent to DCC Planning Case Officer Sharon Dorward on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024

This was approved at the meeting by Lorna Murray, seconded by Fiona Potton and agreed by all members present.

### 9. Licensing Report.

No Licence applications received.

### 10. Public Relations Report

No approaches to BFCC for comment.

### 11. Local Community Planning Partnership (LCPP) Report

Meeting held in Balmossie Fire Station 15/2/2024;

- Minutes of meetings are on the DCC Website (Local Community Planning).
- 1. Firework Exclusion Zones; recommendations including areas to be introduced where it is not permitted for fireworks to be set off by the general public, with clear systems in place for communities to have their say in where the areas should be introduced. Restriction of hours, fireworks can be supplied and limit of quantity to the general public.
- 2. Overview; An area within a local authority's boundaries in which it is a criminal offence for a member of the public to ignite a firework, including on private property such as a garden. Public firework displays will continue to be permitted within an area designated as a firework control zone, subject to certain requirements. Police Scotland will have the responsibility for enforcing offences related to the illegal use of fireworks within firework control zones.
- 3. Why Designate Firework Control Zones; Misuse of Fireworks/Injuries, Animal Welfare, Impact on Vulnerable Groups, Environmental Protection.
- 4. Community Requests; A community making a request can be a group of people who feel they have something in common this extends beyond geographic communities, to include communities of interest. Meaningful consideration should be given to all requests for a zone that are submitted. A proportionate approach and consideration of all available evidence to balance local concerns and community requests made against objective, locally set criteria. If a decision is taken to reject a request the requester can ask for a review of the decision within 28 days of being informed. Should the option of a review be exercised, this should not be handled by the same individual or group who handled the response to the initial request wherever possible.
- Typical time between consultation and a zone being designated is 32 weeks, (Request received and Response issued – 4 weeks; If request accepted, consultation proposal for a zone – 4 weeks; Consultation on proposed zone – 12 weeks; Responses considered and analysed – 4 weeks; Decision on zone publicised – At least 60 days prior to decision taking effect; Total Timing – 32 weeks.

Presentation (Remembering Together by Kirsten Wallace) Dundee Covid Memorial Garden; Remembering Covid – UNESCO City of Design, Leisure & Culture, V & A, Union Street Project, Greenspace Scotland. New memorial garden being designed as a colourful, inclusive, and welcoming space which will offer areas to play and reflect due Spring of 2024. Situated at the bottom of Caird Avenue (Fiveways roundabout).

Locality Structure & Building Stronger Communities; Review community involvement, share information with two-way information flow. Running parallel structures which duplicate resources (Community Regeneration Forums & Local Community Planning Partnership Sub-Groups). Proposals; Each LCPP will send delegates to the city-wide Locality Leadership Sub-Group, The meetings will take place quarterly in advance of the Locality Leadership Group and after the LCPP's.

Children and Families Discussion; Dundee health & Social Care Partnership update, Report regarding the Dundee General Practice Strategy, and update on strategic planning for mental health and well-being. Chief Social Work Officer's Annual report confirms Social Work & Care services have continued to deliver support which improves lives and protects vulnerable people. Organisation Updates; Rector of Grove Academy highlighted the new Multi use games area which can be used by the local community, carparking within the school is now controlled, School prizegiving is the last 2 weeks in June.

A community walkabout was discussed (Gillies Park being one area of concern), A Beach Management meeting in December highlighted the possibility of electric charging points in the Castle Green/Castle area. Possible cuts as highlighted in the local media (closing of the Castle, introducing parking meters). A positive visit and walkabout had taken place at Gillies Park with members, Police, Council officials etc in attendance.

Scottish Fire & Rescue Broughty Ferry area update; (5 incidents of dwelling fires this year to date, 21 deliberate secondary fires to date.3 road traffic incidents, 47 Home fire safety visits, 32 fire alarm incidents).

Main incidents were the fire at McDonalds and the Scotrail train incident at Orchar Park area.

Date of next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Balmossie Fire Station, 6.00pm.

### 12. Matters Raised by Community Councillors

Broughty Esplanade landscaping; The meadow area has been completed, but will take time to grow, hence the fenced off area.

Circular economy report; awaiting an update from DCC.

Recycling bins hidden in West Queen Street opposite Bayfield Road by removal vans. Unfortunately, these vans are legally parked, this had been highlighted previously and no parking yellow lines requested but was refused. The other possibility is to have a dropped kerb, as vehicles are prohibited from parking over those.

Beach Management meeting next week, will discuss better signage and electric charging points in the castle area (it is understood installation of charging points are in the current plans).

### 13. Contributions from Elected Members

### Bailie Derek Scott's Report (Previously distributed)

**Broughty Castle;** I mentioned at the last meeting that the council was due to set its budget and included in a list of possible savings options was the closure of Broughty Castle and the introduction of on-street parking charges in Broughty Ferry. The parking charges option wasn't taken forward and funding was provided for the castle for 2024/25, but with the caveat that consultation be carried out to explore options for its future along with the other Leisure and Culture facilities that were being considered for closure. I have attached a copy of the report for information. The community council will want to ensure that it is included in the consultation.

**Westfield Road;** Following the last meeting I contacted the council's roads team about the issues raised by Westfield Road residents. The senior engineer has advised that he would like to deploy a mobile camera at the location to get a better understanding of the issue before determining what action might be required. I haven't got a date for when this might be done as there are a number of other sites requiring a camera survey.

**Parks;** I previously reported to the community council that council officers were considering various options for the play area at Castle Green as items of equipment are at the end of their design life. Improvement works have now been confirmed. The climbing tower will be replaced with a new landmark structure. Other new equipment will include a toddler tower, inclusive roundabout, sand play system, basket swing, digger, and springer as well as new surfacing. An emphasis has been placed on improved accessibility for all children.

In Orchar Park an inclusive basket swing with rubber grass mat surfacing will be installed, and a three-bay swing set will be provided in Balmossie Park at Bridge Street.

The work will be carried out over the spring and summer.

**Crossings A930;** I now have the dates and scope of work for the new puffin crossings on the A930 and associated junction improvements that form part of the Broughty Ferry and Monifieth Active Travel project. The puffin crossings will be at Monifieth Road near to Panmure Street and on Dalhousie Road, near to Bridge Street. There will also be pedestrian improvements made to the junctions on the active travel route at Panmure Street, north and south of Monifieth Road, and at Guthrie Terrace, Bridge Street, Collingwood Street and Collingwood Place. Panmure Street is programmed to start in April and Bridge Street in June.

**Harecraig**; Network Rail has advised me that it will be carrying out improvement works at Harecraig level crossing, Grassy Beach. The works will include upgrading the crossing surface to rubber panels from timber, renewing some of the track features and improving the existing lighting by installing additional solar lighting.

The crossing will be closed to both vehicles and pedestrians from 9<sup>th</sup> March to 16<sup>th</sup> March to carry out these works. There will be no changes to the ways that pedestrians and vehicles use the level crossing once the works are complete.

**Harbour;** Some work is to be carried out at Broughty Ferry Harbour. It will include repointing elements of the harbour masonry walls and slipway cobbles that were damaged during recent storms. The project is scheduled to start in April.

Included with the above report was a 'Consultation Process Document' from DCC with regard to further proposals and consultation process with regard to (Broughty Castle Museum, Mills Observatory & Caird Park Golf Course). Recommendations from the Committee, Financial Implications and Background.

### Cllr Craig Duncan's Report (Previously distributed)

**RNLI 200 Years Anniversary;** Upon the conclusion of council committees on Monday 4/3/24, I was delighted to attend some of the events around Broughty Ferry Lifeboat Station marking 200 years since the founding of this commendable institution comprised almost wholly of volunteers who risk life and limb to help others and are a great credit to all concerned as well as a welcome asset to our local community and of course many others. As was mentioned during addresses by the Lord Provost and also the head of the RNLI Scottish Region, over 11,000 lives have been saved in the Scotland area alone since the inception of the RNLI.

**Beach Crescent Flooding/Ponding;** I first raised the issue of extensive and recurring ponding on the north side of Beach Crescent (roughly outside the Orchar facility) at the beginning of January and having chased the matter up subsequently am now assured that Officers are looking into this.

**Unreliable Bus Services;** I continue to experience and also receive complaints about unreliable bus services which I keep raising with operators as well as informing the council, so that they are aware of shortcomings which doubtless deter people from relying upon such undependable services.

**Bus Shelter Missing Glass;** I keep stressing to the council the need to make public transport attractive and that very much includes the long missing glass from multiple bus shelters as would be travellers are surely entitled to protection from the elements if public transport is to become truly attractive as an alternative to private transport.

**Faded Road Markings;** I have asked for badly faded road markings at multiple locations to be refreshed as there are clear safety implications of these cannot be discerned.

I am pleased that some of the more troubling potential measures which the media had suggested might be included in this year's council budget such as closing Broughty Castle museum of introducing distinctly business unfriendly parking charges have not come to pass but would caution that the threat has not vanished as much will now be subject to consultation and the devil may yet be in the detail as time unfolds and it is important that we all keep alert.

### 14. AOCB

Problem with cycle / pedestrian path at Esplanade / Bridge Street where there is no defined right of way, better signage would suffice or and, define the walkway/lane. Once complete, signage will be installed and snagging of the project.

The new Esplanade car park east of the Glass Pavilion has a height limitation (stated in meters), should be metres.

The above two items were raised by a member of the public.

With regard to the consultation paper on proposed cuts in Broughty Ferry it is noted there is no status quo on the document.

Broughty castle is an important and beneficial tourist attraction for visitors, we could organise a joint approach (with Broughty Ferry Traders) to Dundee City Council on reasons for keeping the castle open, and possibly get the view of Historic Scotland on the possible closure. Chair Neil to investigate.

As noted in Cllr Duncan's report, there was a celebration of the 200th anniversary of the RNLI. St James Church had the original reading rooms in Broughty Ferry.

### Date of next meeting;

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Tuesday 2nd April 2024 at 7.00pm in Broughty Ferry Library.