

STRATHKINNESS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minute of Meeting held on Thursday 3rd April 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: L. Walker [Chair], J. Houston, E. Saunders, B. Lawrie, A. McArdle, L. Jess, L. Meyer. Fife Councillors J. A. Liston, A. Clark.

Apologies: G. Brown, Councillor A. Verner, Councillor R. Lawson.

Minute of meeting of 6th March 2025 Proposed by B. Lawrie, seconded by L. Jess.

Matters Arising: None

Springfield Homes

S.75 funding: John Rodigan, Head of Environment and Building Services, has advised that there is no drainage in the area of the pitch, so there is nowhere to effectively discharge the ground water. He is consulting with civil engineers in the Council.

Wilson's Place: Councillor Clark advised that the contractor who had used the private land without permission has undertaken to restore the area to its original condition.

Barrier at the foot of the path leading onto Bonfield Road: Springfield Homes have confirmed that bollards will be installed by 11th April.

Standing Items

Treasurer's Report The current balance is £471, including committed expenditure. Ms McArdle has investigated the provision of Christmas lights for the village. Actions include consulting with local children on the design, seeking grant funding and obtaining approval from Fife Council Roads for adjustments to lamp posts. Ms McArdle will investigate costs per light and Ms Jess offered to work with her on this project.

Policing No matters raised.

Village Infrastructure No matters raised.

Traffic and Transportation

Low Road Crossroads: it was agreed that the Community Council will petition the North East Fife Area Committee about reducing the speed limit on the B939 to 40mph. Mrs Houston and Ms Meyer will take this forward, using both hard copy and on-line formats.

Proposed cycle/footpath on High Road to St Andrews: Councillor Clark is pressing for a report to be brought to the North East Fife Area Committee in June.

Bend on High Road at Nether Strathkinness: the Roads Service does not consider that there is a significant safety issue here, and no action is to be taken regarding warning signage.

Bends at Kincaple: following the recent spate of accidents, Ms McArdle has been contacted by a resident of Kincaple expressing their concerns about safety at the bends. The CC noted these concerns. New chevrons and 'slow' markings on the road are on the work list for this financial year.

Community Trust Report Mrs Lawrie reported that they had a successful tool-sharpening day recently. The Trust's Open Day will be on 1st June.

Fife Community Councils An on-line meeting was held on 19th March, which Mr Brown and several representatives from other CC's were unable to access. The agenda included timescales for Fife Council officers to respond to enquiries from Community Councils. The outcome of the discussion is not known as the minutes have still to be circulated.

Out of Hours Group (St Andrews Community Hospital) It was noted that St Andrews CC will discuss the proposed closure of the Minor Injuries Unit at the Adamson Hospital in Cupar at their meeting on 7th April.

Correspondence Fife Council is consulting on the current Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils, details of which have been circulated.

AOCB It was agreed to bring forward the Community Council AGM to 5th June.

Planning Applications Details of recent applications had been circulated and there were no comments.

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 1st May 2025 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall