

North Queensferry Community Council Minutes of Meeting Held on 16th July 2010

Present: Iain Mitchell Chairman, James Lawson, Jan Short, Marisa Di Filippo-Ferrier, Pat Dennison.

In attendance: 4 residents

Apologies for absence: David Greig Vice Chairman, Brian Armstrong Secretary, Christina McKenzie Treasurer, Robert McGregor (Co-opted Member), Cllr. Douglas Chapman (Fife Council).

Minutes of previous meeting

Approved.

Matters arising

Leaflet of public meeting on 21st June. Report sent regarding issue. Pat volunteered to liaise archaeological site.

Fife Councillors' Reports

None.

Police Report

- A reminder of the Community Forum at Inverkeithing High School which is open to the public was made. It was suggested by one of the residents that it would be good if Forum took place at North Queensferry every now and then.
- Only 1 call was reported.
- Complaints were made regarding the parking situation outside NQ School. The Police suggested maybe the school could have someone outside prompting people to move on. It is believed the school has an EcoTravel policy
Action: Rob to liaise with school regarding policy and parking issues.

West Bay – Update

Public Consultation soon to be announced. Architect from Fife Council to draw plan for future plans of an agreed vision for the areas and its activities. Leaflet drops currently planned for sometime in Autumn between September and October. Formal decision to take place to facilitate public consultation.

Floral Enhancement

11 barrels and 300 plants were planted for a total of 2 days work.

Well still has issues with behind it being particularly bad. We have so far been quoted £400 by a gardener to clear the back taking 3 days to clear. It has been suggested it would be good to lay it to grass and that local residents would take responsibility to mow the lawn.

Action: Jan and one of the local resident to get together to draw a plan and source further quotes for job. Lynn Howie to be approached for funding.

Grant Application

- FETA money (£36) to be transferred to bring balance to £1,000.
- Sailing Club to receive £500 for their Youth Grant.

- NQCC was also asked to contribute to the Boat Festival, however, it was decided that the Council preferred contributing to something more permanent – thus present application was withdrawn.
- £500 remaining.

Treasurer's Report

None.

Community Group Reports

- Carbon Cutting Project Transition Initiative (Gina Martin, Project Coordinator): In process of recruiting people to look at ways of helping people make savings by carrying out Energy Audits etc.
- Boat Club (Gordon Scobie): Boat Festival to take place and have music playing all day. Event to maybe be put up on local notice boards.
- Gala Raft Race (Simon Tate): Event was very well attended and had great reviews by all those who attended.
- Moorings in East Bay (Simon Tate): An Impact Study is to be carried out to see how moorings would affect surroundings at Town Pier Bay.
- Parking at Mount Hooly Crescent is an issue, in particular when it comes to signage, having been taken down when wall was knocked down and not replaced.
Action: James to talk to Scott who deals with signage.
- Jan to see where local benches currently are located and gauge a possible shift.

Planning Applications

None

Correspondence

None

Membership

Robert McGregor co-opted member.

Andrew Dodds (Heritage Trust)

Any Other Competent Business

- Village 'Welcome to North Queensferry' signs to be put up soon.
- Notice boards still to be replaced and painted black.
Action: James Lawson to get quotes for one by railway station and he will restore the one in Battery Road himself.

Dates of next meetings

Thursday 9th September.