

## North Queensferry Community Council

### Minutes of Community Council Meeting on Thursday 12 November 2015

<b>Members Present: Iain G Mitchell (IGM), Christina McKenzie(CM), Mary Finlayson (MF), Barbara McKechnie(BM), Jim George(JG), Cllr M Shirkie (MS), Peter Selbie (PS), Elizabeth Serviour (ES), David Neill (DN), Duncan Foggon (DF), Sheila Foggon (SF)</b>		
Agenda Reference	Description	Action
<b>1. Apologies</b>	Lin Collis (LC), PC K Blackwell (called away en route to meeting)	
<b>2. Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	Minutes of October 2015 meeting approved.	
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>	Stagecoach: Stagecoach and DB bus company contact outstanding. To be contacted for next meeting.	CM BM
<b>4. Pontoon</b>	IGM reviewed current status of the approved Pontoon Planning application and any possible options. It was noted that any steps toward High Court Action would be prohibitive. It was disputed if the NQCC objection had been verbally noted at the Planning Committee meeting. BM will verify that all objections were mentioned in the supporting literature for the Planning Committee members and copy out to NQCC members. SF confirmed that she had contacted Scottish Government Planning body and they have confirmed that they are consulting all papers to ensure required procedure was followed. The current consultation period for changes to Scottish Planning was referred to by MS. As Planning was already under discussion, Agenda #14 was taken next.	BM
<b>14. Planning Applications</b>	It was confirmed that NQCC had objected to the planning application for land next to 1 East Bay. JF outlined planning notifications as follows: 12 Oct- planning and listed consent for Carlingnose Point home/old gun emplacement for replacement windows – as they follow existing configuration, no comment required. 19 Oct – replacement windows to private home. 2 Nov-the preplanning notification for Scarborough Muir Rosyth development approved. MS confirmed that there will now be public consultations prior to submitted planning application.	
<b>5. Cruise Project</b>	This project is to have a large model of the area with may be used for display to cruise ship visitors, presented at international tourism conferences and later for use by local organisations. NQCC was notified as an interested local organisation. Funding has been sought from various sources.	
<b>6. Christmas Lights</b>	MF has been liaising with MS and Kane Smith, Maintenance Operations, Fife Council (FC). FC is willing to repair and reactivate energy line at the War Memorial. Issues still exist with regard to access to the line. MF to follow up with meter location (property) residents. MF preparing grant application in liaison with CM. It was agreed that an amount could be used from the Floral Enhancement budget in the meantime. MF pricing white lighting and tree erection costs. Essential to have safe, long term facility.	MF MF

<b>7. World Heritage</b>	Inaugural meeting of Management Group (replacing previous Steering Group). MF advised of main discussions on remit and wording of that remit. HONQ is represented by John Mark di Ciacca who had concerns re clarity of decision making/answerability. Network Rail is responsible for physical maintenance of the Forth Bridge and management committee for the UNESCO element of the world heritage site. IGM expressed concern that the differing roles of old Steering Group and Management Group are clarified. IGM will plan to attend next bi-monthly meeting on 9 February. MF confirmed that there was no mention of the proposed Network Rail visitor centre. MS confirmed that there will be presentations to the Forth Bridge Champions at the North Queensferry Hotel.	IGM
<b>8. Tourism Project Group</b>	No update	
<b>9. Forth Bridge Visitor Centre</b>	No update	
<b>10. Forth Replacement Crossing</b>	LC provided note on 2 questions asked to last meeting 1. the old and new B981 joins will not be completely reinstated until adjoining construction works are complete and 2. The traffic light timings at the B981 junction with Ferry Toll Road will not be finalised until all road works are complete and able to tie in with other lights yet to be installed. Members and residents present at this meeting voiced concerns that the temporary measures are not safe. BM to invite construction Community Liaison Officer to NQCC meeting.	BM
<b>11. Police Report</b>	No update. BM to follow up on copy of NQ Traffic Report as per October meeting and copy to MS.	BM
<b>12. Community Group Reports</b>	Community Trust: IGM advised the CT and Boat Club had good meeting on 11 November – due to meet again on 11 January 2016. A Harbour Manager is required by terms of the business plan. West Bay Users Group: due to security issues, door being replaced and guttering will be repaired once road gulley cleared. Community Centre: AGM has taken place and new committee members appointed Church: Presbytery rota Watch Night service to be held in NQ Dec 15. Heritage Trust: BM will write to Heritage Trust to invite a new representative on NQCC. At the next meeting of HONQ, it is anticipated that they will nominate a representative to join NQCC.	BM
<b>13. Fife Councillors' Reports</b>	MF proposed thanks to Cllr. Mike Shirkie for his efforts and support in the pursuit of Christmas Tree Lights for the village. The Remembrance Day Service was well done on 8/11/15. MS advised on the Amalgamation of NHS Fife and Fife Social Services and to check out link for public comment. BM will send link out to Members	BM
<b>15. Treasurer's Report</b>	No change but lack of expected invoice for upgrade to website to be checked out by BM	BM
<b>16. Floral Enhancement</b>	LC asked that Jill Brown assist with this role. This was approved.	

<b>17. Correspondence</b>	No change	
<b>18. Any other competent business</b>	PS asked that NQCC follow up with Stagecoach and DB Bus Company again to request attendance at NQCC meeting. Flowers should be sent to LC from NQCC to wish her speedy recovery	CM and BM

Next Meeting: Thursday 10 December 2015, North Queensferry Community Centre 7.30pm