



Thornton Community Council

Draft Minutes of the public meeting held on

03/01/2024 @ 7pm

In Thornton Pensioners Hut

1. Meeting Attendance:

Community Councillors	Dorothy Herd (DH) [Chair], Euan Ross (ER) (Treasurer & Vice Chair), Heather Paterson (HP) (Vice Chair), Jean Laird (Secretary) (JL), Christine Ross (CR), John Laing (JoL), Izzy Anderson (IA), Ray Duncan (RD)
Fife Councillors	None
Apologies	Dawn Taylor (DT), Cllr Daniel Wilson
Absentees	Community Police Officers

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Held on:	6th December 2023		
Proposed by:	RD	Seconded by:	JoL

Review of Actions:

Action no.	Details	Owner	Target date	Completed Y/N
23.12-01	Update on pavement repairs c/fwd	RV	Ongoing	N
23.12-02	Contact N. Simpson for quote on Perspex notice board	DH	Ongoing	N
23.12-03	Park lights fault	RV	Ongoing	N
23.12.05	Defibrillators	ER	Ongoing	N (but progressed)
23.12-06	Unadopted streetlights	RV	Ongoing	N
23.12-07	Unadopted road at primary school	RV	Ongoing	N
23.12-08	FOI to Fife Council re ownership of Makies Mill Bridge	HP	10/01/2024	Y
23.12-09	Print copies of constitution and behaviours	JL	10/01/2024	Behaviours Y Constitution N

3. Fife Councillor's Update:

- Not in attendance to give update.

4. Community Police Update:

- Not in attendance to give update.

5. Community Calendar:

- ER used the projector to take us through the new Community Calendar. Several one off and regular events were added.
- JoL will inform ER of the Playgroup and Thornton Hibs 'events' that need added.
- JL suggested Christmas lights switch on event, after discussion actions to achieve this were agreed on.
- DH suggested a Gala event -all agreed a community event sometime in June would be an excellent idea and actions to achieve this were agreed on.

6. Website:

- ER has progressed website with Parish Online and our website should be live by the end of January 2024. Members of TCC had their photos taken for upload to this new website.

7. Treasurer's Report:

- See Appendix 1

8. Secretary's Update:

- See Appendix 2

9. AOCB

- JoL has chased up with Scottish Government regarding process for railway station renaming not being made live and available to communities by end of December 2023.
- IA to progress tree planting in Memorial Park by completing Fife Council form. Other matters pertaining to ownership and play equipment will also be followed up in due course, but completing tree planting project will be prioritised.
- JoL passed on copies of meeting minutes relating to Memorial Park to IA
- HP will contact DN to ask for a meeting re supporting our community campaigns.
- HP suggested complaint against Fife Council as it appears Fife Council is not acting within the parameters of the constitution or guidance for our Community Council/ Council professional relationship. It was agreed that some action is required on this matter at a future date.
- **Date of next meeting:** 7th February 2024

10. Microgrants:

- None

11. Actions:

Action no.	Details	Owner	Target date	Cfwd from previous meeting Y
24.01-01	Update on pavement repairs c/fwd	RV	Ongoing	Y- 1x
24.01-02	Contact N. Simpson for quote on Perspex notice board	DH	Ongoing	Y- 1x
24.01-03	Park lights fault	RV	Ongoing	Y- 1x
24.01-04	Defibrillators	ER	Ongoing	Y- 1x (but progressed)
24.01-05	Unadopted streetlights	RV	Ongoing	Y- 1x
24.01-06	Unadopted road at primary school	RV	Ongoing	Y- 1x
24.01-07	Print copies of constitution	JL	07/02/2024	Y- 1x
24.01-08	Update ER on Hibs and Playgroup events	JoL	07/02/2024	N
24.01-09	Contact Bowling Club, J. Will (Town Hall) and update Calendar with regular events	ER	07/02/2024	N
24.01-10	Contact School and Golf Club with request for calendar events	JL	07/02/2024	N
24.01-11	Christmas lights storage and switch on event arrangements. Plus liaise with TR Band	JL & ER	Ongoing	N
24.01-12	Community Event (June)-progress and set date. Liaise with TR Band and other community organisations.	Lead-DH +all TCC members	Ongoing	N
24.01-13	Hanging baskets/tubs +community gardening. Establish price and progress search for sponsors	JL	Ongoing	N
24.01-14	Tree planting in Memorial Park-complete Fife Council Application form	IA	07/02/2024	N
24.01-15	Meet with DN to canvas his support on DDykes	HP	07/02/2024	N
24.01-16	Contact Community Police	JL	07/02/2024	N

Correspondence Highlights

DoubleDykes

- Fife Council Full Committee 7 Dec questions were tabled by Cllr Wilson on DoubleDykes.
- First Minister has declined our request for a meeting regarding DoubleDykes while talks between Transport Scotland and Fife Council are in progress.
- Campaign group have been kept updated.
- JL met with Cllr Craik and was assured serious discussions are taking place between Fife Council and Transport Scotland regarding finding a solution at DoubleDykes.
- Reply from J. Gilruth's office re excess ballast to Balgonie Estate suggests costs of removing the ballast made it much less valuable.

Local Place Plan

The first draft of the Local Place Plan is underway. No further subgroup meetings will be scheduled until this first draft is completed.

Local Development Plan

- JL submitted a report to Fife Council based on feedback from the community received for the current LPP project.

Paths, clearance of vegetation

- Alex Donald has been in contact again with Amey.

Other correspondence (also circulated to all TCC members)

- Digital Fife training for Community Councillors
- Fife Council mental health survey
- Planning skills training
- CCouncils newsletter
- Funding Search email
- Voter ID info for elections