

Minutes of Meeting of Elie and Royal Burgh of Earlsferry Community Council held on 7th April at Earlsferry Town Hall

Present: Carol Birrell (Acting Chair), Grizelda Cowan, Kirsty Barclay, Cath McIntosh, Christian Aitken, Richard Smith.

Apologies: Angela Anderson, Alison Christian, George Cowan, Cllr Alycia Hayes.

New declarations of interest: None.

December Minutes: Proposed by Cath and seconded by Richard .

No Councillors' Updates

Website

Up and running. Everyone is invited to take a look - <https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/> and report back to Grizelda (grizelda@eastgrange.co.uk) errors/omissions/links that don't work etc. All can be sorted!

NnG Windfarm Funding

Neart na Gaoithe Community Fund 2026, managed by Foundation Scotland, is inviting applications for funding community projects that could benefit our villages.

Who can apply:

- Constituted community groups
- Charities
- Companies Ltd by guarantee
- Social enterprises
- Informal/unconstituted community groups

Go to <https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/Index.asp?MainID=36822> for full details and application form.

Toll Green

The meeting agreed that we should liaise with Environmental Group with the aim of obtaining quotes for the erection of a new flag mast to enable flying of flag on existing pole which we understand to be safe and secure. Carol will continue to liaise with Jo Mendum re ownership of the flagpole.

ENCEPT

The Emergency Medical bag will be stored in Toll Green Hall. All CC members will be given code to enable entry to the hall.

Planning Matters

It was noted that application for Strathneuk Cottage, 25/00918/FULL, has been approved following appeal.

At the meeting with members of the EECC and a representative from Cruden Homes it was agreed that a Public Consultation Event should be held ASAP after school holidays. *

Following a talk by guest, Fiona Houston on the sorry state of affair of our villages' existing sewage system it was agreed that more details of the proposed system at the new development be requested from Cruden Homes. It was agreed that a subgroup be formed to take this matter forward. Details from the group will be publicised when known.

New Powers for Scotland's Community Councils

It was confirmed the Elie and Earlsferry Community Council has signed the petition to Scottish Government requesting that more powers be given to all Scottish Community Councils to bring them in line with similar organisations in England. We await the results with little optimism.

Infrastrucure

The list of requirements grows ever longer - please see list -

<https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/Index.asp?MainID=36593> which has since been added to and will be updated updated.

All concerns relating to Fife Council issues can be reported directly to

<https://www.fife.gov.uk/services/report-it-online>

Following the recent accident near Elie Holiday Park we have, once again, requested that priority signs be installed by the bridge close to entrance of Holiday Park but this has been, again, refused as the road is not a 'restricted road'. There is agreement, however, that the painted STOP sign on the road approaching the A917 be repainted.

Update re Elmwood College

For all Elmwood related matters please go to Save Elmwood Group website –

www.save-elmwood.org.uk

Facebook users can find updates here - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1099160721507723>

Elie Kirk Update – received by email

We issued our newsletter at the weekend and it's available on the website and FB page.

The feasibility is done so we are now preparing for the share offer and looking at other funding options (including grants) now that we have estimated costs.

We have a Q&A open session planned for 2 May in Toll Green Hall so folk can come and look at the latest information and ask any questions

For update on all activities please see:

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Elie-Kirk-Community-Enterprise-61570226601836/>

Contact: eliekirkCE@outlook.com

EAG Update

More bunting has been put up on Toll Green and round the boat planters. New signs have been purchased for Toll Green (2), Well Wynd and Boat Wynd.

Treasurer's Update

Balance stands at £24,843. Cath is arranging for a change of account to enable it to be on line after which the cost of the play park can be paid.

Police report

See <https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/Index.asp?MainID=36714>

AOB

Request has been received that safety barriers at Boat Wynd should be removed. Carol to action.

Request that the dunes on the road at the Toft should be cut back. Grizelda to contact FCCT.

Next meeting Tuesday 5th May 7.30, Earlsferry Town Hall.

* This has now been confirmed for 22nd April, 2pm – 7.30pm. More details can be found on EECC website - <https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/Index.asp?MainID=36643>