

Minutes of Meeting of Elie and Royal Burgh of Earlsferry Community Council held on 2nd June at Earlsferry Town Hall

Present: Carol Birrell (Acting Chair), Grizelda Cowan, Kirsty Barclay, Christian Aitken, Richard Smith, George Cowan, Nicky Nicholson and Cllr Alycia Hayes, plus three members of the Kilconquhar and Colinsburgh Community Council

Apologies: Cath McIntosh, Cllrs Fiona Corps and Sean Dillon.

New declarations of interest: None.

December Minutes: Proposed by Christian and seconded by Kirsty.

Councillors' Updates

Alycia has sent our list of required repairs to FC and this has been forwarded to five different departments for their attention along with a request that they should report back to Alycia. We thank Alycia for all her efforts but await their responses with little optimism.

Good news, however, is work is expected to start soon on repair of existing and installation of new walkway at the Toft. It is hoped that it will be completed before the start of the really busy season.

Questions from the Public

The CC has received a request that a small 'Coffee Cart' should be allowed to operate during the summer months at Toll Green. It was agreed, by a majority vote that, as there are already at least five businesses offering coffee sales in the vicinity, this request should be refused. Grizelda to answer request with a few suggestions of other possible locations.

Update from Elie and Earlsferry Water Group

The Harbour Trust has written to Scottish Water and Fife Council about the failures on the wastewater system and pressuring for action to provide the investment needed for necessary upgrades.

NnG Windfarm Funding

The CC has received several more applications. The closing date for this second round of applications is 30th September. Anyone wishing to apply should go to the EECC website for details and application form - <https://www.elieandearlsferrycc.org.uk/Index.asp?MainID=36822>

Toll Green

For some inexplicable reason this was not discussed at the meeting so the following is not a record of the meeting itself but information shared with the CC afterwards:

Grizelda is delighted to have found a reputable company who is prepared to repair the flag mast at Toll Green and we have been advised that the cost of this will be covered by Medical Research.

Work is expected to commence toward the end of June. The CC wishes to extend grateful thanks to Jo Dewhurst for her excellent negotiating skill

Planning Matters

Georgeville 3 Links Road Earlsferry Ref 26/00979/FULL

An objection to this application has been submitted citing that the proposed alterations are out of scale with the existing building and would seriously impact on the privacy with its neighbours. The full objection will be posted on the FC Planning portal after the expiry date, 14th May. It was noted that some amendments have been made to original plans.

Roselea Cottage 26/01381/FULL

Erection of 3 car domestic detached garage and erection of gates to front of dwellinghouse. It was agreed by a majority vote that the CC should submit an objection to this as it was felt that it is disproportionate, adjacent to the pavement and out of place.

Elie Watersports 26/00745/FULL

Installation of hot/cold tubs, installation of 2 no. sauna/steam room, installation of solar panels, formation of decking, formation of parking and associated works. The meeting agreed that there should be no objection to this application.

Cllr Alycia Hayes informed the meeting that FC Planning Committee have proposed some radical changes to Planning Decision-Making whereby the two exiting planning groups would be merged into one. The meeting agreed that this would be detrimental to both existing areas in Fife and that Carol and Grizelda should write to all members of the planning council to express our concerns.

With regard to the proposed plans to build on Elie Estate it was agreed that Alistair and Nicky should meet with the developers on site sometime soon.

Police report

We have been informed that there will be no further police reports.

We have been assured that there will be a police presence in the villages during July and August in an attempt to address a repetition of the anti-social behaviour by some youngsters in previous years on Elie Beach and surrounding area.

Elie Kirk Update

The feasibility study is almost complete and the share offer is expected to be launched in July.

For update on all activities please see:

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

Contact: eliekirkCE@outlook.com

EAG Update

New planters have been installed at the War Memorial, and new gravel has been put in both Archbald and Hyde parks thanks to funding from NnG.

Treasurer's Update

No report this month as Cath is recovering from her knee op.

Next meeting Tuesday 4th August 7.30, Earlsferry Town Hall.

The EECC AGM will also be held on 4th August at 7pm prior to the regular meeting.