## **Cardenden Community Council**

Minutes of Meeting held in Corrie Centre on Thursday 16 March 2017

Present: D. Roy(chair), D. Taylor, A. Brown, B. Wallace, A. Mitchell, W. Duncan, A. Roy, J. Doig, J. Parish, M. Jeffrey, D. Drylie, R. Liewald
In Attendance: Cllr. Erskine, Cllr. Hood, Cllr. Chisholm, A. Ewing MSP, K. Sayer, M. King, V. Murdoch, C. Reid, Police and 7 members of the public.
Apologies: S. Taylor

The minutes of the February meeting were accepted.

**Matters Arising.** The wall of logs surrounding the RWE site has been heightened, and although this has reduced the dust, it has not completely resolved the issue, with an east wind causing most problems. The water cannons are not on 24 hours a day and monitoring is required. Communications with Fife Council are strained and are being investigated. A questionnaire is being produced and will be circulated to local residents.

**Police** A police report was given, with 13 crimes committed and 8 detected since the last meeting. They have been busy in the community, particularly with bikes.

**Playparks**. A group attended the meeting who are keen to have the playpark in the New Carden area upgraded. It was pointed out that all playparks are in a similar situation and need upgraded, rather than dismantled. A survey of all playparks is required and with support from Fife Council options will be produced.

**Proposed Allotment.** V. Murdoch and C. Reid spoke of applying for funding to carry out a feasibility study into a possible allotment in the community.

**Local Authority Matters** Cllr. Chishom gave a report and apologised for missing recent meetings, due to personal reasons and will be standing down at the next election. Cllr. Hood reported on Council budgets. Breakfast clubs and swimming for P1 pupils is to be expanded, plus capital funding for derelict buildings. Work has started on the 3G astro turf pitch in Wallsgreen Park and a planning application for a Multi Use Games Area will soon be submitted. Cllr. Hood has also indicated he will be standing down at the election. Cllr. Erskine reported on road, pavement and housing repairs. There has been additional funding for credit union, but dismay expressed 0in a reduction in community centre staff. Speeding and the need for CCTV was discussed.

A.Ewing MSP reported that the Cowdenbeath constituency office is operational and she is continuing with her ministerial portfolio.

**Community Matters** The possibility of having an RBS mobile bank, or internet banking facility in Bowhill Centre was discussed. (Since the meeting RBS has announced even more branches will be closed.) A new representative for the Westfield Fund and revisions on how the money is administered is required. The possibility of revising a 'best kept garden' competition was discussed.

**Planning Applications** Two houses are planned at the Auchterderran Manse site.

Treasurers Report The treasurer gave a report and the accounts are now due for auditing.

**AOB** A donation to Bowhill Burns Club was agreed. Parking at Bowhill shops is still a concern. R. Liewald reported that she will be standing as a candidate in the Council elections.

Next Meeting: This will be held on 20 April 2017 at 7-00 pm in the Corrie Centre.