

Cardenden Community Council

Notes of Meeting held in Corrie Centre on Thursday 21 September 2017

Present: D. Roy (chair), B. Wallace, D. Taylor, A. Brown, A. Mitchell, J. Parish, S. Taylor, D. Bogie, W. Duncan (part).

In Attendance: Cllr. Erskine (part), M. King, E. Collins.

Apologies: A. Roy, Cllr. Liewald, Police.

The minutes of the August meeting were accepted, but should be approved before release.

Matters Arising. A site meeting was held on 14 September with Cllr. Liewald and representative from Roads Dept. to discuss road crossing at Denend School. The possibility of installing another pedestrian crossing is to be assessed.

Police. A police report was given. There has been 178 reported police calls in our area in the past month, including vandalism, house break-ins, and car matters. Attendance at schools and other venues has been carried out and there is to be community engagement via Facebook. More damage to bus shelter and Corrie Centre wall was reported.

Local Authority Matters. Reports from local councillors was given, including attendance at Village Fair and John Thomson Tournament. Walk-about in Dundonald and Bowhill areas have been carried out. Blue badge and housing allocation matters have been attended to.

Paths Upgrade. E. Collins reported that delays to work on the new paths at Pitcairn, which were to be created in conjunction with Fife Council, the Forestry Commission and money from Tesco Bags, has been encountered and asked for assistance to hasten this. Paths at Carden Woods are also an issue.

Community Matters. Discussions have been held on how best to complete the derelict shop site. A dedication service was held at the Memorial Wall and Garden in the cemetery on 10 September. The Village Fair was held on 27 August in Wallsgreen Park and a great success. The John Thomson Football Tournament was held 3 September and won by Woodend Wanderers.

Planning Applications. The implications of an application for a district heating system in Glenrothes was discussed. Although the application is only for the underground pipe network, another application is needed for the heating system, which will operate in conjunction with RWE's biomass plant in Markinch. It is understood that land on the former Tullis Russell site is being acquired and the possibility of acquiring additional land is to be investigated. If all RWE's activities were on the same site this would avoid unnecessary heavy lorries transporting material between Bowhill and Markinch for the next 50 plus years. These concerns have already been expressed to the planning authority, but need to be brought to the attention of the consortium planning the heating system.

AOB. Traffic congestion and parking throughout the village needs to be addressed. The footbridge at the railway station is in a poor state of repair. The community rail project is now underway. Demolition work at Auchterderran Centre is complete, with no immediate plans for re-development. The recent Area Committee meeting held in the Corrie Centre was well attended. There is to be more community involvement in Lochore Meadows Country Park. An alternative polling station to Denend School is to be investigated. There has been complaints regarding the quality of school meals. Paths in Wallsgreen Park and next to the River Ore need attention. Rubbish at shops needs cleared. There appears to be confusion over the re-surfacing of Carden Avenue.

Next Meeting: This will be held on 19 October 2017 at 7-00 pm in the Corrie Centre.