

# **Largo Area Community Council Minutes 2017**

## **LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> OF JANUARY 2017 AT 7.00 PM IN THE MONTRAVE HALL LUNDIN LINKS**

Those present were; Chairman Mr Aitken, Mrs Fyfe, Mr Wood, Mrs Green, Mr Stacey, Mr Green, Mrs Young, Mrs Aitken, Mr Millar, Mr Wilson.

Apologies from Mr Moffat. Mrs Aitken will send flowers to wish him well.

Last month's minutes were moved for adoption by Mrs Aitken and seconded by Mrs Young.

Mrs Fyfe proposed the restoration of Mr Wood to the position of secretary of the Community Council. Mrs Young seconded the proposal. Mr Wood accepted the nomination and as there were no other nominees the proposal was carried.

### **Lundin Links Library**

- The Associated and incorporated articles have been approved and the Library group has been granted charitable status.
- The process of getting the volunteers PVG registered is going ahead.
- Fife Council have been helpful with acquiring the necessary insurances and funding can be applied for once the council has given the details of the lease, which is a nominal amount.
- There is still a question over whether the group will have access to the part of the building previously the Council office.
- The outside of the building is in a poor state of repair and a survey will be carried out on behalf of the library group with questions on e.g. the insulation.
- The fuel bill is currently large and it is hoped that this can be reduced.
- The operating software for book lending is being organised with quotes for computer systems standing at between £2-£3000 start up. Firewalls will also need to be installed.
- A fundraiser in the form of a race night will be held in the Old Manor on Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of February. Sponsors are being sought and if you can't go you can still donate by 'buying' a horse. Posters will give further details. The Old Manor have offered the premises free of charge.

- A second meeting to give volunteers more information is to be held in the library on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January
- There is a generally optimistic feeling for the future of the library with the core library group being very enthusiastic and forward thinking.

### **Lundin Links Hotel**

Despite a letter forwarded to Mr Aitken from The Fire service following a freedom of information request about the fire hydrants around the Lundin Links Hotel. There are still questions over, the broken fire hydrant, why they found it necessary to run hoses all the way down to the bottom of Links Road and will there be enough water pressure and volume in the area around the new development next to Durham Wynd. Mr Wood will make enquiries.

### **Fife Council Responses**

- New shelters have been ordered to replace the demolished ones on Leven Road although they have been ordered on separate occasions and therefore be installed on different dates.
- The speed monitoring sign on Leven Road is outside the 20 mph zone and Fife Council consider it is therefore satisfactory.

### **Village Reports**

Lower Largo - Mr Wood will investigate further the broken pavement at The Temple.

- The dog poo bins at the end of The Temple were badly overflowing over the holiday period. The issue of holiday cover needs to be addressed.

- There was an excessively bad smell from the sewage works also during the Christmas holidays as well as a smell coming from the burn perhaps indicating sewage overflowing. Mr Wood will contact Scottish Water with our concerns. If no action is taken then SEPA will be contacted.

- Still no action on the damage to the steps from Durham Wynd to the coastal path and the bin which was on the road at this site has not been replaced resulting in rubbish being left on the road or put in the salt bin. - There is a large quantity of polystyrene sheeting blown off the Durham Wynd development site. This is scattered in the neighbouring field and in the Serpentine. Lomond Homes will be contacted and asked to remove the sheeting.

Lundin Links – The Post Office is now closed and unfortunately although there was intent to return the Post Office to the shop in Lower Largo, the excessive start up charged by the Post Office made it unviable. It is felt that the Post Office are not treating the interests of small communities as important in any way.

- The pavement slabs next to the chemist are broken partly due to the delivery lorries parking on, what is a very obstructive position, next to the main road. This needs to be discouraged.
- Broadband appears to be improving in Lundin Links.
- The trees and bushes have been cut back on Links Road.
- The road side at the Cupar Road corner needs fixing.

Upper Largo – There is still a question over whether residents wish to take on the maintenance of the phone box in the Main Street. Mr Aitken has asked Fife Council to reserve the position meantime.

- A stone on the pillar next to the phone box has been dislodged. Mr Wood has reported this and it should be fixed soon.

- A new sign has been put up in South Feus but as yet no sign to stop HGVs.

- Plans have been granted for the installation for Green Electrical Services for Broadband. However they are planning on putting the green box on the grass area in front of the church. This is prone to flooding and would be an eyesore in a conservation area. The telephone sub exchange is very close by and would be a more appropriate site. Mr Wood has suggested that it be repositioned.

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Community Council are now paying £30 for each hall rent.

The Floral Grant was late in being submitted and it is hoped that we will still be able to get this years grant.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.00PM IN THE STABLES UPPER LARGO**

**LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.00 PM IN THE STABLES UPPER LARGO**

Those present were; Chairman Mr Aitken, Mrs Fyfe, Mr Wood, Mr Shields, Mr Stacey, Mr Wilson, Mrs Green, Mr Green and Councillor Suttie

Apologies were received by Mrs Aitken, Mr Moffat and Mr Millar.

Correction to last months minutes: - The hall rents are £30 for each month not £30 less as stated in last month's minutes.

With this correction, the minutes were moved for adoption by Mr Wilson and seconded by Mrs Fyfe.

## **Largo Pier**

The Crusoe Hotel is currently up for sale with the sellers being aware of the potential change of ownership of the pier. They know that the matter is in negotiation between the owners and the Community Council. An optimistic view would be that the new owners would repair the pier but meanwhile we should move the matter forward by making the situation, as it stands, clear to any possible buyers that the community wish, subject to grant funding and favourable conditions, to have ownership of the pier.

Meanwhile the condition of the pier is deteriorating further and is even more of a hazard to pedestrians. The Boat Club intend to carry out remedial work to keep a safe passage for boats.

The community wishes to retain the pier as an asset, improving the village visually and amenity wise and as an integral part of the village coastal defences. Sellers will be contacted and asked that the feelings of the community be brought to the attention of any potential buyers.

## **Library**

The new library group is still waiting for the lease document from Fife Council and is unable to take over until the lease is made available.

There is investigation into software options and Leven Rotary are to donate £500 towards IT equipment.

A meeting was held in the library for potential volunteers informing everyone about disclosures, outlining the main jobs needing done, e.g. cataloguing, library rota work and building maintenance. It is hoped to open the library, initially, with the same hours as before with the possibility of opening on Saturday for children's clubs, depending on volunteers. The books that are there will remain and there will be a possibility of rotating with other volunteer libraries round Fife. It is hoped that the building can also be used as a hub for club meetings etc.

A race night was held to raise funds for the new library with over £1600 raised. Thanks to all involved especially Councillor Alexander who was the main instigator of a very successful night.

A mobile library will be visiting the Durham Hall and the Montrave Hall once the Trust leaves Lundin Links. Users of the Library should be informed of the times and dates of the mobile library.

### **Temple Sewage**

The complaint of a smell from the sewage works at the Temple is being looked into but it was felt that our beach should be aiming for a clean enough standard to warrant a Blue Flag. Scottish Water should acknowledge the issues that are preventing us from achieving this goal. The sewage works next to the Golf Club down from Victoria Road are still fenced off. Could this be looked into.

### **Treasurers Report**

Income from Grants.....£1019

Current Account Balance.....£1290

### **Village Reports**

Lower Largo – There is an increasing problem with bins being left on the pavement a week long. The service of black bags being available to households which cannot use wheelie bin due to having no access from the back of their property to the pavement should be made clear to those house holders who are at present leaving their bins on the pavement causing an obstruction as well as making the street very unsightly. It was suggested that someone from Environmental Services should carry out a site visit to assess the problem.

- There is still a problem in the area with insufficient street sweeping. Using an automatic street sweeper is ineffective on streets where there are a large number of parked cars.

- Also mentioned was the amount of inconsiderate parking in the area.

- The work on the banking at the top of Harbour Wynd still needs to be carried out.

Lundin Links – With the closure of the post office in Lundin Links people are finding it difficult having to get to the post office in Leven particularly since it is quite a distance from the bus route. It was suggested that we make a request for a mobile post office to visit the area.

- The white markings on the junction between Largo Road and Cupar Road need to be reinstated. This has been reported to Fife Council but no action has been taken yet.

- There are several pot holes in the area needing filled, in particular, a hole in the drive of the lodge at the west end of Links Road. This is causing drivers to veer into the middle of the road to avoid it. Fife Council may not repair the hole if it is on private property.

- There is a large bush needing to be trimmed in the dip down from the old Lundin Links Hotel.

- There are barriers on Links Road which have been left needing to be removed.

Upper Largo – The wall next to the phone box has been fixed and the sign preventing HGVs from entering South Feus is going up soon.

Drumeldrie – After many years of campaigning a 40 mph speed restriction is to be put in place through Drumeldrie with the work starting at the end of February and the road being closed on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of March.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH AT 7.15 IN THE DURHAM HALL, LOWER LARGO

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**LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 2017 AT 7.15 PM IN THE DURHAM HALL LOWER LARGO**

Those present were; Chairman Mr Aitken, Mrs Fyfe, Mr Stacey, Mr Wilson, Mrs Green, Mr Green, Mrs Young, Mrs Aitken and Mr Millar.

Apologies were received by Mr Wood and Mr Moffat.

Correction to last month's minutes: - Mrs Young's name was omitted from the list of apologies.

With this correction, the minutes were moved for adoption by Mr Stacey and seconded by Mr Moffat.

### **Library**

As yet there is no news of further development. Mr Aitken will contact Mr Wood to enquire further.

### **Pier**

The Community Council position on the pier will depend on the sale of the Crusoe Hotel. At the moment, there are fears that the hotel might be sold for housing which would be a sad loss for the community. The possibility of having the pier listed was discussed in order to protect it from any new owners changing the pier dramatically.

The Chairman was instructed to apply to Historic Scotland for the listing of the pier. The proposal to remit the pier to the MP/MSP was discussed but deferred meantime.

### **Treasurers Report**

It was suggested that the community council web site should be managed by Buzz Computers in Anstruther. This company has worked with other charities and charges reasonable rates. Fife Council will be asked if they provide this service and the costs will be compared. It was also suggested that other community issues and events could be put on the web site.

### **New Members**

Mr Alistair Clark and Mr Alistair Paterson have shown an interest in becoming co-opted members of the Largo Area Community Council. Mr Green proposed the motion and Mr Wilson was the seconder.

Mr Aitken welcomed our new members.

### **Planning**

Lundin Homes, who are developing the Durham Field, have changed the path which was planned to run along the south edge of the development. It is now planned to be at the back of the park with access into the park. There is concern over the safety of the children in the park if there are likely to be cyclists using the path, open access for dogs from the new development and general loss of amenity. It is also hoped that the future of the trees is not in question.

### **Village Reports**

Lower Largo – The ongoing problems of, no bin on Durham Wynd, the rotten steps onto the old railway and the sewage outflow have not been resolved.

- The problem of polystyrene sheeting blowing off the Durham development site into the surrounding fields and the Serpentine, is continuing. The initial pieces were removed and Mr Green will contact the site manager about the continuing problem.



- The police need to get in touch once again with the driver who parks on the blind summit of Durham Wynd, especially as the traffic increases using the Durham development.

Lundin Links – The flood at the bottom of Pilmuir Road is as bad as ever and there is flooding also on Leven Road.

- The fences erected round the sewage tanks next to the Golf Club car park are an eyesore and need to be removed.

- Transportation should be contacted again regarding the state of the white lines on the road at the junction of Cupar Road and Largo Road.

- It was suggested that if the Community Council was on Facebook, the diesel spillage on the road through Lundin Links on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March, which caused an accident could have been announced to warn the community. Mr Stacey will make enquiries about other Community Councils on Facebook.

- Lundin Links Hotel – The 30 flat development is due to start in May. Mr Aitken will ask Kapital Enterprises if they could clear up the rubbish which has collected round the building. There are concerns about access for the residents using motor scooters etc to and from the shops, and it was suggested that a survey be carried out to assess the amount of dropped kerbs, and other hazards, in the area. It would also be useful for all the villages to be surveyed.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2017 IN NEW GILSON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00 PM**

## **LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, NEW GILSTON AT 7.00 PM ON THE 17<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2017**

Those present; Chairman Mr Aitken, Mr Wood, Mrs Green, Mrs Aitken, Mr Stacey, Mrs Young, Mr Wilson, Mr Shields, Mr Millar, Mr Paterson and Mr Clark.

Apologies from Mrs Fyfe, Mr Green and Mr Moffat

Correction to last month's minutes – Mr Wilson seconded the adoption of the previous month's minutes not Mr Moffat as stated.

With this correction, the minutes were moved for adoption by Mrs Aitken and seconded by Mr Wilson.

### **Proposed Phone Mast Erection**

The Community Council received a pre-planning consultation document from GallifordTry Communications on the subject of the installation of a phone mast. There were several alternative local sites mentioned but the suggested preferred site was at the east end of Mercury Motors, next to the coach builders. The Phone Mast would be 18 Meters (58ft6Ins) in total with a concrete base. The tower would be lattice in construction with a chain link fence topped with barbed wire. The planning application is due to be submitted at the end of April.

The Communications company are acting on behalf of two phone companies.

Very few of the adjoining properties received the consultation information from the developer, however Mr Wood – Community Council Secretary ensured that as many affected residents as possible, in the time available, received the letter. At the planning stage, more residents will be officially informed.

The developer has stated that the mast will improve network coverage in the area.

A significant number of local residents attended the meeting with concerns over the planned development. Their concerns were;

- Spoiling the scenic value of the area for themselves and any visitors to the area.
- Reduction in the value of properties adjacent to the mast.
- Concern that if one mast was erected more may follow.
- Traffic congestion on an already difficult stretch of road.

There were a number of further concerns which will be covered by Planning or other agencies.

The developer has given the Community the opportunity to comment ahead of the planning process and having discussed the issues it was decided that more technical information was needed, however, as there is community interest, representations reflecting the concerns of the meeting will be submitted, a press article will be written and the necessary information put on the Community Council web site.

## **Pier**

Having made inquiries of Historic Scotland as to whether we can get the pier listed Mr Aitken received a less than favourable response. It was indicated that it would have to be a category A listing which is hard to get and the pier is not a unique structure of its kind. Historic photos of the pier and hotel have been requested. Historic Scotland indicated that an application for listing of both the pier and the Crusoe Hotel as a former granary/mill would stand a better chance of being listed and the meeting authorised the Chairman to submit a listing application for both the hotel and the pier to Historic Scotland

Mr Eunson will contact the Community Council with information which may help.

The sellers of the hotel will be reminded that any potential purchasers should be told that the community wish to purchase the pier and have it restored.

## **Largo Library and Community Hub**

The lease has now been signed, the steering group has taken over and there is to be an opening day on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of April. The following week the library opens four days (see below) providing, book lending, free Wi-Fi, public access computers and tea and coffee. It is hoped to hold future events. For more information go to [www.largolibraryfife.com](http://www.largolibraryfife.com)  
Volunteers are always welcome.

The opening times of the library are: Tuesday 2 – 5 and 5.30 – 7  
Wednesday 10 - 1

Thursday 10 – 1 and 2 – 5  
Saturday 10 – 1

### **Lundin Links Hotel**

Mr Aitken contacted Kapital Enterprises – the developers of the site, to ask about the start date, however there has been no response. The work was supposed to start in April/May.

### **Water Pressure in Lundin Links**

Mr Wood contacted Scottish Water who sent out a customer service engineer. The plan was to put in pressure monitors for a week at 4 locations to see how water pressure is over a period of time so that the effects of demand can be seen. The Community Council's particular concern relates to water availability to fire engines. We've had reports of low pressure etc when the Lundin Links Hotel was set on fire and also the golf course recently, and much before that, a house was burnt out completely on Links Road. The root problem seems to be that Scottish Water uses relief valves controlling pressure downstream in order to reduce water loss from any leaky pipes.

### **Silverburn**

Brian Robertson who is the Chair of the Community Interest Company that is taking over the management and regeneration of Silverburn Park from Fife Council. He is keen that all the communities in the Levenmouth area get involved in some way, as the park belongs to the public.

He wishes to give a presentation to Largo Area Community Council. The plan is to invite Mr Robertson to the May meeting as it is nearer to the centre of the community. Mr Wood will confirm the date.

### **Durham Wynd Development Path**

Mr Aitken put in representations to Fife Council over the changes to the original plans for a path at the south edge of the development, the main concern being the trees and due to the involvement of Fife Council's Tree Protection Officer we have been reassured that the trees will not be damaged.

### **Royal Bank Leven Closure**

The local community are upset by the closure of the Leven branch, especially following the closure of the Lundin Links branch and the Post Office, leaving the nearest bank being St Andrews. This is particularly difficult for elderly people and small local businesses. Mrs Aitken will write to the Royal Bank and ask about the possibility of a mobile banking service in the area.

### **Community Diary**

Mr Paterson has kindly offered to take over the responsibility for the Community Events Diary. With support from Mr Stacey the diary has been redone and copies have been distributed throughout all villages to shops, halls, clubs, care homes, golf clubs, hotels, B&B's, church halls and caravan sites and will be loaded to our web site.

### **Web Site**

Following research into the costings for management of the website it was suggested that Buzz Computers would charge £80 per year and £50 to transfer the work. This was approved by the Community Council.

### **Treasurers Report**

The Community Council accounts are standing at a surplus of £44 and we have been awarded with our Floral Grant of £385, an increase on last year's amount.

### **Planning**

Following the installation of two BT boxes on the Church Green Mr Wood wrote to BT suggesting that, due to the conservation status of the area and the unsightly nature of the boxes that there might be an alternative site for them. However, it seems that they are not going to be resited and a suggestion has been made that they be screened and that the issue is to be brought up with Planning.

### **AOCB**

- There has been a complaint from customers trying to park at the shops in Lundin Links. The spaces are limited and it is felt that the customers visiting Janes Coffee Shop and the Hairdresser, Lundie Salon tend to park for longer than the time allowed of 30 minutes. Mrs Green will ask if the two businesses would be willing to display a sign asking customers to please park away from the shops if they intend to stay longer than 30 minutes.

- Drop Kerbing - Following complaints, an initial survey in Upper Largo, Lower Largo and Lundin Links was undertaken and potential hazards/improvements identified. This was done also in consultation with Homelands and Peacehaven. A meeting and site visit with Fife Council Roads Network Management has now been requested."

**THE NEXT MEETING – WHICH WILL BE THE AGM, FOLLOWED BY THE NORMAL MEETING – WILL BE HELD ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY 2017 AT 7.00 PM AT THE STABLES, UPPER LARGO**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY 2017 AT THE STABLES UPPER LARGO AT 7.20 PM**

Those present were; Chairman Mr Aitken, Vice Chairman Mrs Fyfe, Mr Wood, Mrs Green, Mr Stacey, Mrs Aitken, Mr Shields, Mr Green, Mrs Young, Mr Clark, Mr Millar and Mr Wilson.

Apologies were received by Mr Paterson and Mr Moffat.

Last month's minutes were moved for adoption by Mrs Aitken and seconded by Mr Clark.

**Silverburn Development**

Mr Brian Robertson, Chair of the Community Interest Management and Regeneration of Silverburn Park gave a presentation outlining the plans for the development of Silverburn. At present the organisation Fife Employment Access Trust (FEAT) have people working on site maintaining and improving the woodlands and garden, clearing invasive species, planting snowdrops, donated by Cambo and allowing access to specimen trees.

The vision for Silverburn is to create a place of quiet enjoyment, supporting health and wellbeing while respecting the habitat and biodiversity of the area. The Aims are – To improve the woodlands and gardens, enhance existing buildings and develop new features.

- To restore the Flax mill to modern standards respecting its history.
- Research the history of the estate.
- To develop facilities which will attract visitors.

Phase 1 will be to open a campsite in April 2018 for 12 tents, 4 campervans and 3 pods. The campsite will be next to the golf course at the east end of the site, with the pods being nearer Silverburn House. Also, to create allotments to be opened in August 2017. Planning has been approved for this phase. Phase 2 the Flax mill restoration will not be complete until 2022 and will include a visitors centre, backpackers hostel, café/restaurant and events space. Other projects for Silverburn include interim catering facilities, a playpark, adventure playground, pond dipping platform, fitness trail, outdoor classroom, woodland walks and an orienteering course.

It is hoped to work closely with schools and involve young people. With that and the increase in activity in the park it is hoped that the level of break-ins and damage done will be reduced.

FEAT are always looking for volunteers and also looking for funding and grants especially until the funding revenue stream is in place.

More information can be found at [www.silverburn.co.uk](http://www.silverburn.co.uk) or [www.facebook.com/silverburnpark/](https://www.facebook.com/silverburnpark/) or

@silverburn\_park

Thanks went to Mr Robertson for a very exciting and informative presentation. We wish his organisation all the best for the future.

### **Phone Mast**

The press has reported that Mercury Motors is no longer intending to lease the site to GallifordTry Communications in order to erect a phone mast. The company is considering other sites.

### **Largo Pier**

Stuart Dykes owner of the Crusoe Hotel phoned the Chairman and subjected him to an intemperate tirade during which he stated that Fife Council had told him he had to restore or demolish the pier and then he stated his intention to demolish the pier.

However, in order to demolish the pier Mr Dykes will have to apply for a building warrant. All parties involved are aware that the community wish to purchase the pier. Mr Wood will clarify the position with Fife Council.

### **Largo Library**

Attendance has been good in parts and there is the beginnings of interest in the library for other uses. There was a suggestion that we have some of the Community Council meetings in the library to help with funds. Mr Wood will find out about the price.

### **Lundin Links Hotel**

There has been no response from Kapital Enterprises to Mr Aitken's enquiries about the time scale for starting the work on the development.

### **Planning**

12 Glamping pods – The Burses, Lundin Links – This will be screened with trees – No objection. Drum Park – Stairway from garden onto beach – No objection. No response following the planned closure of the Royal Bank in Leven to our request for a mobile bank. Also we have had no response from Leven Community Council on the subject. We intended to offer support, being our nearest bank.

### **Village Reports**

*Lower Largo* – There is still a hole in the pavement at the Temple. A photo will be passed to Mr Aitken to identify the problem.

- There was a request for an anti-dog poo sign to be put up on the railway to try to encourage dog walker to bin their dog poo.
- It was suggested, to inform walkers, that a sign showing the location of the public toilets be put up on the coastal path at The Temple.
- The sign showing the location of

the Crusoe Statue needs to be replaced and should be relocated to a more appropriate site.  
- There are still household bins permanently left out on the Main Street and it was mentioned that there are a number of bins that are never used due to every household being given 4 bins. Would it be possible for the flats in the Main Street to be given the option to share? The Environmental Service will be approached on the subject. - The hole in the wall on Harbour Wynd has still got a barrier on it causing an obstruction.

*Lundin Links* – Although there is work being carried out, the flooding at Pilmuir Road has not improved. - The police have been using a speed gun on the Leven Road. It is hoped this will reduce the speed of the traffic through the village. - The hole next to the Golf Club car park has not been repaired. This is now a safety hazard as well as an eyesore on the Coastal Path.

*Upper Largo* – The Children Crossing sign is missing bolts that should be replaced – Mrs Young will action this. - The green telecom boxes on the church green are still causing distress due to the visual impact they are having on this area of historic importance. Mr Wood will find out if our Councillors can find out if something could be done to improve the situation with the Planning Service.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 19TH OF JUNE 2017 AT 7.15 PM IN THE DURHAM HALL, LOW

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON THE 19th JUNE 2017 AT THE DURHAM HALL LOWER LARGO AT 7.15 PM

Those present were; Chairman Mr Aitken, Vice Chairman Mrs Fyfe, Mr Wood, Mrs Green, Mr Stacey, Mrs Aitken, Mr Shields, Mr Clark, Mr Millar and Mr Paterson.

Apologies were received by Mrs Young, Mr Green and Mr Moffat.

Correction – Last months minutes omitted to mention the concern over the need for more bins in Lower Largo, namely at egress points onto the beach ie at the Orry, at the opening next to No 50 Main Street and at the Temple turning circle. With this correction last month's minutes were moved for adoption by Mr Wood and seconded by Mrs Fyfe.

Library The Library is doing well. The kitchen has been renewed thanks to Lundin Homes who did the work without charge. Mr Wood will write a letter of thanks. It is hoped to hold talks in the Autumn and second user groups are being encouraged e.g. there is a Board Games group, open to all which meets every second Sunday. The cost is £5 per hour. It was agreed that the library really needs support so when the new bookings start in January the library will be included in the venues of Community Council meetings. Mr Paterson has very kindly been working on the Library garden and the damaged wall has been reported to Fife Council, but Mr Wood will write again.

Pier Mr Wood has had it confirmed with Fife Council that there was no communication with Mr Dykes that he should restore or demolish the pier. If there are to be new owners of The Crusoe Hotel the Community Council should consider setting up a new sub-committee to address the issues of the pier to be proactive. The Chairman advised that the original sub-committee comprising the Chairman Vice Chairperson and Secretary was still in existence but invited any other community councillors who wish to do so to join the sub-committee

The Chairman added that the boat club had also been represented on the sub-committee as had the owner of the Crusoe Hotel.

Lundin Links Hotel Lights have been noticed in the building and reported to the police as there were concerns of a repeat of the occupation which happened several months ago. There was also a report of work being carried out on the alarm system. Mr Aitken is still trying to contact Kapital Assets to find out if there is a start date for the new development. It was suggested that the company may not be getting the information due to the emails being identified as spam mail. Mr Aitken will try once more and ask if tidy up work could be carried out to improve the appearance of the area.

Village Reports Lower Largo - Photos have been sent to Scottish Water identifying the position of the hole in the pavement at the Temple. - The request for a sign on the Coastal Path has been referred to the Coastal Path Organisation. - The Crusoe Statue sign will be rolled over to the next meeting.

- The Council has been contacted regarding the household bins left on the street. This requires more discussion. - The ongoing repair to the wall on Harbour Wynd - concerns have been addressed to Fife Council regarding the temporary roadside barrier on Harbour Wynd. Following a site survey, they have now reported that they will award a tender for permanent repair work which will lead to future removal of the barrier. Date to be announced. - Councillor Paterson highlighted a general lack of litter bins throughout all villages and has requested special consideration at egress points onto the beach at The Orry, the opening next to 50 Main Street, the Temple turning circle and that appropriate bins be provided at all bus stops. - Concern was raised about lack of parking spaces in and around Main Street following recent parking fines being imposed on residents. Mr Paterson will contact Fife Council to request a possible solution to allow shoppers to park for limited periods at Premier Stores/Railway Inn area.

Lundin Links - There is still a flooding problem at Pilmuir Road, Victoria Road and Durham Wynd. More preventative action has been requested. - Scottish water will be contacted about the sewage situation regarding the work next to Lundie Golf Club and also SEPA with concerns over the poor water quality in Largo Bay. - There are steps leading from Crescent Road to Drum park needing attention. - Photos have been submitted to Fife Council of the large hole in the sea wall at Massney Braes. Mr Wood will ask if action can be taken on this before the wall collapses.



Upper Largo - Following a recent site village survey Fife Council have agreed to give consideration towards improving and installing dropped kerbs especially at South Feus/Main Street. Largo Road was also requested and we await a full schedule of work expected around Autumn. -

The rights of way in the area are needing to be cut. - Mr Wood has written to Fife Council regarding the green BT boxes on the Church Green.

#### AOCB

- It was agreed that Mr Paterson would distribute copies of Minutes to Village Halls, Railway Inn, and Peacehaven whilst Mr Clark will distribute to Homelands. Mr Wood will ensure the notice board in Upper Largo has current minutes displayed.

- Further effort will be made to get a Councillor to attend our meetings. Mr Wood will contact the Chief of the Council to find a solution. - Buzz Computers will be asked to update our website and give us a quote for Facebook.

- A very successful community picnic was held on The Common on Sunday the 18th. Several community groups were involved and an enjoyable day was had by all age groups. It is hoped to repeat the event next year and the Community Council would like to be involved.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE 21ST OF AUGUST 2017 AT 7.15 IN THE DURHAM HALL,  
LOWER LARGO