**LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD ON THE 17TH OF AUGUST 2020 AT 7.00 PM WITH PARTICIPANTS ONLINE VIA ZOOM**

Those present were: Chairman Peter Aitken, Mr Allan, Mrs Aitken, Mrs Green, Mrs Young and Mr Clark.

Apologies were received from Mrs Stewart, Mrs Brown, Mrs Low and Mr Fox.

Last year’s AGM minutes were moved for approval by Mr Clark and seconded by Mr Allan.

**Annual Accounts**

A copy of the annual Accounts for the last two financial years have been circulated round all Community Council members.

These were moved for approval by Mr Allan and seconded by Mrs Aitken.

Following Mr Clark’s resignation as Treasurer, the Community Council wish to thank Mr Clark for stepping into the post and for his all his hard work. The post will be filled by Mr Brendon Fox.

This was moved for adoption by Mr Clark and seconded by Mr Allan. Mr Fox was duly appointed.

In the recent past there have been many problems associated with our banking with The Royal Bank of Scotland and it was decided to move our account. The Bank of Scotland is used by other local groups without difficulties and The Co-op was also suggested, although it was noted that the nearest branch is in Edinburgh. It was decided to let Mr Fox decide which would be better.

**Chairman’s Report**

Corona Virus

Following attendance at a meeting in Levenmouth, including groups from the whole area, Mr Aitken decided it would be logistically impractical for us and a local group was set up. The group is called the Largo Area Coronavirus Response Team and will be known as LACRT in future. Members include representatives from community organisations such as the Church, Community Council and Largo Communities Together, as well as several respected members of our community. The purpose of the LACRT is to support the community during the Covid19 pandemic, organising volunteers to deliver regular newsletters, drop off essential supplies to those who are shielding or self-isolating and acting as call handlers and provide a helpline.

 There was a fantastic response from the community and, although there has not been a high demand for the service, it may still come. A fund was set up and has been used for several community needs including floral displays, litter picking equipment, gifts for Peacehaven Staff and residents, support for home schooling and food banks. The CC Office Bearers, with approval from the CC donated £100 to the LACRT emergency fund.

It has been decided to continue the work of the LACRT with plans to set up a Men’s Shed among other things and initiate a Times of Need fund for future need with an ability to respond to future emergencies. The group will then be known as the Largo Area Community Response Team.

Tractor Accident

In October 2019, a serious accident occurred when a tractor and trailer crashed into a property on Largo Road. Following this incident, site meetings were arranged, and discussions took place in an attempt to improve the safety of this stretch of road.

 It was decided, following temporary traffic lights being in place and the situation improving, that there should be test lights put in place during the busy summer months to measure the impact of permanent lights, however Covid19 happened and the test was not carried out. It was decided that, for it to be a true test it may have to be delayed until next summer but that there should be consultation with the community.

Parking

Lack of parking locally has been a problem for many years which the Community Council has been proactive in trying to alleviate. Several spaces have been created around the villages and lately the Community Council have been investigating areas which could potentially provide off road parking, although ownership of land and access e.g. at Lundin Mill, Fir Park and the Montrave Hall have proved too much of a hurdle to get over.

In Penrice Park there have be fewer issues with parking although, as more people are at home, the streets are more congested, and visibility is poor resulting in near misses. It was suggested that things should be left as they are at present with the possibility of Fife Council looking at any issues that may crop up in the future.

Largo Arts Week

Last year’s event was a great success, including Donald Low and Matt Allan’s Alexander Selkirk raft and Esther Brown’s Treasure Hunt. Thanks to all who contributed. This year’s event was cancelled due to Covid19.

Largo Pier

The Pier Group have worked extremely hard over the year commissioning a report to look at the options for the pier restoration and carrying out winter repairs to prevent further deterioration in December. Crowd Funding was also set up in an attempt to raise funds for test holes to be dug and further survey work to be carried out. This will make the cost of repair estimate more accurate. The fund has raised around £20,000

Designated Bathing Beach

There has been substantial progress made on the campaign for bathing beach designation as our beach user’s data from last year has been accepted. Scottish Water have received sampling data from SEPA taken from the monitoring point and have also requested sample data from the two burns discharging to the beach. Scottish Water have also confirmed that following the approval for funding, a project has been raised and it is now with their Managed Delivery team. A site survey will go ahead when Lockdown is relaxed enough to carry out the work.

At the moment there is not a project timescale defined but Scottish Water is hoping to have this once the contract with alliance partner has been agreed.

Well done to Mr Allan for all his hard work in getting to this point.

Lundin Links Hotel

At this time, the development is being held up due to Scottish Water having to take a water supply though Fir Park opposite the hotel.

Death of Former Community Council Member

Mr John Free, a former secretary of Largo Area Community Council passed away recently. Mr Aitken represented the Community Council at his funeral and a letter of condolence was sent to his widow. The Community Council paid tribute to John for all his hard work on behalf of the Community.

Mr Aitken thanked all the office bearers for all their hard work over the year.