**LARGO AREA COMMUNITY COUNCIL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 19TH OF APRIL 2021 AT 7.00 PM WITH PARTICIPANTS ONLINE VIA ZOOM**

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

In attendance was Drew Morrison who hosted the meeting.

Apologies were received from Mrs Stewart, Mrs Brown and Mrs Low

Correction to last month’s minutes – The date of the next meeting should have been Monday 19th and not the 17th as stated in the minutes.

With this correction last month’s minutes were moved for approval by Mr Clark and seconded by Mr Allan.

There were no declarations of interest.

This month’s meeting was using the Community Zoom platform shared between Largo Church, LACRT and Largo Community Council.

**Corona Virus**

- Progress has been made on the befriending scheme in the community and training is going ahead. Contact is by phone.

- The Men’s Shed is making progress.

- Mr Morrison, who is on the LargoAreaCoronavirusResponceTeam told us that there is intention to make a film to publicise the service in the community.

- Planning for the future is crucial for possible emergencies such as flooding, beach searches for missing persons, locally disruptive traffic accidents etc. Contact numbers and important information need to be made available.

- An annual report of the LACRT is due out soon.

**Community Council Member Numbers**

Due to an increase in the local population Fife Council are updating the Community Councils Scheme of Establishment, which will mean an increase in Community Council members from 11 to 12. If people are interested in applying, they should email Peter Aitken - peter.aitken@lundinconsultancyservices.co.uk. Contact numbers in the Largo Links Community Magazine due to be delivered on the weekend of the 8th of May.

**Traffic Calming**

The funding allocation for the calming measures in Lundin Links has been approved but consultation will be needed for any design, especially for the residents on Leven Road, who should be leafleted. A public meeting should be held on Zoom, which should be well publicised so all interested parties can attend. Even members of Fife Council are not in agreement about the best method of traffic calming in the area.

**Treasurers Report**

- Largo Area Community Council have now officially moved to a Metro Account with the outstanding cheque of £50 now transferred.

- The £1500 for switching our account to Metro will be paid in June or July.

- We have had no bank statements since December, and it is hoped to get the outstanding statements form the Royal Bank Head office before the Financial Year End in May.

- Our grateful thanks go to Mr Clark and Mr Fox for all their hard work and persistence.

**Selkirk Grove**

It has been suggested by a resident that we should look into the possibility of acquiring Special Landscape Area, now Local Landscape Area status to prevent new housing stretching towards Upper Largo, possibly including a petition.

Mr Aitken suggested that, if the community wish it, this special status could be sought during the review of The Local Plan at the end of the year.

There are three steps 1. The community will have to be consulted on The Local Plan. 2. The developer would then have to hold a consultation meeting to outline their proposal. 3. The developer will submit a planning application.

It would be an advantage if some of the residents who are concerned could come onto the Community Council Zoom meeting to give their views on any development so we can properly represent the community.

Mr Aitken will look into the possibility of holding a meeting again in a hall, possibly with social distancing. Mr Aitken will also ask The Enforcement Officer to inspect the Lundin Homes site as it still in a poor state.

**Planning**

102 Main Street, Lower Largo - Removal of external staircase to dwelling house, installation of rooflights, installation of CCTV system and refurbishment of outbuilding (retrospective)

Mr Aitken has asked for clarification. It was felt that there was no community interest and although we were asked The Community Council would be unable to sign any petition or get involved in any dispute between residents.

A resident from 34 Drummochy Road has asked about the possibility of objecting to a metal pole which has been recently erected by BT Plc near their property. Notice was given late for objections to be submitted, and close neighbours are entitled to object.

**The Temple Car Park**

- James Doll, who is part of The Plastic Free Network and hoping to set up a network of refilling stations for water bottles on The Coastal Path, has approached us to ask about setting up a station in The Temple Car Park. As there is a proposal to improve the car park, this could possibly be incorporated in the plan.

- There has been no progress with Scottish Water or SEPA on the sewage issue.

- David Paterson, Area Services Manager is still waiting for costings for a disabled access extension to the toilets.

- Visit Scotland has informed us of a new fund available for Countryside Tourism.

**Website Accessibility**

Wendy McGregor from Fife Council requires us to provide an accessibility statement on our community council website including e.g. Can someone with poor visibility access information from the site easily? David Peacock, who manages the site will be asked to check the accessibility.

**Mill Road Bridge, Lundin Links**

The bridge on Largo Road at the dip has been checked previously and is ok for heavy vehicles to cross on, however, all bridges are due to be inspected in the near future due to new legislation.

**Lundin Links Hotel**

No action has been taken on safety by the owner or Fife Council. Mr Aitken will contact Fife Council again.

**Levenmouth Connectivity Project - Sustrans Behaviour Change Sessions**

Consultation has now finished, however those attending the meetings, including Mr Allan, Rail-link representatives, Kennoway Community Council and The Police have been asked to stay on as a consultation group. There are still no representatives from Leven, Methil or Buckhaven.

A drone filmed two people collecting rubbish from the river in Leven. Well done to them!

**Rally**

The National Motorsport Body has been in touch and we have until September to take action. The Woodland Trust have been consulted already and there are plans to prevent access to pedestrians at the top end of Keils Den for 24-48 hours for safety.

**Village Reports**

Upper Largo – The fence on the corner of North Feus has been removed due to reduced visibility for exiting vehicles.

 - There is a dangerous pothole on the road between Mercury Motors and The Eagle Gates Lodge, also the carriageway edge before Mercury Motors has collapsed – Mr Aitken will report.

Lundin Links – The new road surface in Lundin Links is very welcome along with the red gateway markings.

**AOCB**

Mr Allan feels that certain paths in The Serpentine could do with resurfacing with hardcore due to the levels of mud making accessibility difficult. Mr Allan has contacted The Woodland Trust to arrange a site visit. Mr Allan and Mr Clark will attend the meeting.

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON ZOOM ON MONDAY THE 17TH OF MAY 2021**

**THE MEETING WILL FOLLOW THE AGM WHICH WILL BE HELD AT 7.00 PM**