

Dunure Community Council 19th November 2024, Kennedy Hall

Present

Angus Craig	Acting Chair	AC
Calum McCutcheon	Vice Chair	CM
Tracy Craig	Secretary	TC
Irene Collier	Treasurer	IC
Greg Paterson	Member	GP
Janey McCreath	Member	JM
Patrick Hill	Member	PH
Elija Maus	Special co-optee	EM
Derek Chapman	Member of the community	DC
Di Ballinger	Member of the community	DB
Daisy Seymour	Member of the community	DS
Janet Peacock	Member of the community	JP
Mrs Stewart	Member of the community	MS
Sandra Simons	Member of the community	SS
Valerie Cox	Member of the community	VC
Provost Campbell	SAC	PC

Apologies

Mhairi Eaglesham, Milissa McCulloch

Adoption of previous minutes

Proposed Janey McCreath, Seconder Greg Paterson

Matters Arising

Memorial for the fishing community – AC and ME spoken to Hobson. Still looking at costings and discussing ideas

Bruce Memorial – The Bruce Memorial is now erected in Kennedy Park. The QR code is not active yet. Crag Arts are suggesting placing red and yellow stones in the middle of the sculpture, mimicking flames. JM feels these would have to be cemented in place to stop them being moved.

Leaves – ARA have kept on top of the leaves this year down Station Road. There should be one more clearing this winter.

Ongoing ARA Matters

All other ARA matters are still ongoing. There is no date yet for the installing of the chicanes and the 20mph signage.

DB mentioned the illegal 30mph road signage on the A719 which does not incorporate the Hope Homes Development. Residents of Hope Homes have been in touch with ARA since May 2021 requesting this to be addressed. It was acknowledged and agreed by ARA but at that time would not commit themselves to a timescale. Over 3 years seems excessive. The existing signage is also a danger to pedestrians. Provost Campbell is going to enquire about this.

Leaflets – There has been a donation of £500 towards the production of the leaflets. AC going to look at costing and PH and EM going to take this forward. The idea is to have a map of historical places and information in and around Dunure and Fisherton.

Co-option of new members

Derek Chapman and Di Ballenger have put themselves forward to be co-opted onto the Dunure and Fisherton Community Council. This will be formalised at our next meeting on 21st January 2025.

Both Di and Derek introduced themselves to the committee.

Special Co-optee

There was one applicant for the role of Special Co-optee with the remit of assisting Patrick with pulling together the production of the leaflet. Elija Maus, who is a member.

Dunure & Fisherton Community Council – The change of the community council name has been voted on at cabinet and with immediate effect we are known as Dunure & Fisherton Community Council.

Dynamic Dunure

Janey explained about the forming of Dynamic Dunure, its purpose and what projects are on the go now.

She gave a summary of the Heritage Lottery Application. The Expression of Interest will be submitted shortly. This includes funding for the Helm (heritage centre in the park) and the repair of the lighthouse. At this time the repairing of the harbour walls has had to be removed from the application. Once submitted we should have a response within 20 days.

Bridge – SAC have agreed to re-site the bridge so as it falls out with the 50m limit whereby Historic Environment Scotland insist on an archaeological investigation. However, it now falls within a SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest) and a further inspection must be carried out.

The Council have committed to an installation date by April 2025.

They have also committed to the lighting of the castle by April 2025.

Planning & Licensing

None

Treasurers Report

Treasurer's Report 19/11/24

Balance brought forward	£1674.45
Expenditure	0.00
Income (LS Productions)	500.00
Balance	<u>£2174.45</u>

Christmas Donations

Church	£50
Parents Ass	£50
Youth Club	£50

Police Report

No police report

Councillors Report

Provost Campbell is still hopeful that the police will appear at a community council meeting. He has been reassured that this is the intention.

He reported that Police Scotland now charge for attending the Festival of Flight with this year costing £92,000 in policing.

Doonholm Road – Amey has advised that major roadworks are to commence from Monday 25th November to March 2025 at the junction with A77 with the installation of traffic lights.

Farm Park – The Farm Park has been given a Kings Award for Excellence. It is now one of the top tourist attractions in Scotland.

Remembrance - There was a Remembrance service on Sunday 10th November at the Dunure Cemetery and again on Monday 11th. The latter was a service organised by the Canadian Air Force who have servicemen buried in the war graves. It was attended by the Commanding Officer of the Canadian Airforce together with serving personnel based at Prestwick Also in attendance was the Provost, Lord Lieutenant of Ayrshire & Arran, and local representatives. The Head of Fisherton School brought along 3 children and hopes to bring a larger party in 2025.

A.O.C.B

Craft Club – Janet Peacock announced that the craft club has folded due to lack of members

DB asked if there could be a Grit bin placed at the school. IC going to request one.

DB asked about why the park allowed parking beyond the sign saying, “No parking beyond this point”. JM explained that sadly the minority chose to not read the sign and it is difficult to police it.

DB & VC asked why the toilet blocks were closed during the winter months and why they closed early evening during the parks opening season. JM explained that it is a decision by SAC, who own the toilet blocks, to close during the winter months and insisted on them being locked in the evenings due to the threat of vandalism. JM pointed out that we were lucky to have working toilets as many other locations have been shut down.

DB asked where the money went from the parking in the park. JM explained that it went to maintaining the park and the hall. No funds are received from SAC for this purpose.

JP asked if the signage in the park could be updated to show that during the winter months there is free parking. Whilst this is mentioned it could be made clearer. JM said it made sense to leave signage as is and await the outcome of the heritage lottery application. At that time new signage would be installed.

PH has submitted photos of the fence above the pub car park which is owned by SAC. Now that the vegetation has been cleared back it has exposed the broken fence and rubbish. AC is going to report to SAC.

DS mentioned that Ayrshire Climate Hub has funds available for small projects to bring the community together. Sprout Fund and the Bloom Fund, deadline closes 6th December. PH going to investigate but may be too short of time for this year.

VC explained that Openreach are intending to update the cables on Castle Road to fibre optic. The intention is to put more overhead cables and not underground, maybe due to the bedrock or cost. AC going to contact

Openreach to find out their long-term plan as more exposed cabling is detrimental to the environmental impact of the area.

Date of the next meeting. Tuesday 21st January 2025