

## **Royal Burgh of Cupar & District Community Council**

Minute of the monthly meeting held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 7.30pm within Cupar Baptist Church, Cupar.

### **Present:**

A Crockett (Chair)

R Graham (Secretary/Treasurer)

Mhairi Lumsden (Vice-Chair)

F McHarg

D Provan

B McSeveney

M Alexander

ME Robertson (Sustainable Cupar)

### **In Attendance:**

Fife Councillors: Cllr Kennedy & Cllr Caffrey

Members of the Public (5)

### **Apologies:**

D Adey

G Pay

E McLeod (Cupar Com Dev Trust)

### **Welcome & Apologies**

Chair welcomed all present and apologies for absence noted.

### **Declaration of Interest**

No declaration of interests were intimated.

### **Presentation**

Police Scotland were not in attendance, as normal any Newsletters would be circulated/posted on the CCC website.

**Minute of the previous meeting: 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

ME Robertson – Sustainable Cupar Rep, asked that under the Haugh in the minutes that the addition of opportunities for re-development and alternative use be included.  
(Agreed)

**Approved:** F McHarg **Seconded:** D Provan

### **Matters Arising from the previous meeting 27<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

- a) MIU – decision to relocate to St Andrews Hospital noted. Disappointment regarding the consultation process and outcome was expressed in strongest terms by members and the public.

Noted that Health would be instigated as a standing item on the agenda for future meetings. Proposed R Graham, Seconded D Provan – noted.

- b) Fun Fair – noted FC Events team were processing the application and that engagement/consultation would be forthcoming.
- c) Elmwood – noted, ongoing concerns and subsequent actions of the Action Group – student body had recorded a vote of no confidence in SRUC. Sustainable Cupar interested in potential for asset transfer and were planning to alter their Charitable status to allow such if required.
- d) Flower Bed – noted that volunteers (in good faith) had planted up the Flower Bed without the knowledge of the Community Council. The Curling Club have advised that they are very disappointed not to have the opportunity to have their Anniversary display but understood the circumstances.

### **Secretary's Report/Correspondence**

Correspondence had been circulated to members and was up to date.

### **Members of the Public**

Noted the sad death of Sir Bob Reid, Cuparian and the tribute published in the Courier (Obituary).

Noted under the Elmwood College discussion that a memorial tree/plaque had been placed in the grounds by fellow students to remember Karen Dewar, Tayport. Important that in any future changes that this not be overlooked.

### **Planning**

- a) Noted plans for redevelopment of the former WATTS building, noted members had visited and saw the state of repair and scope of development. Noted the wish to retain as much historical context re Cupar Jail as possible but understood the need for development. The provision of the drive through was a concern and the hope was that Transportation FC would work with developers to address any issues re access/egress at the location.

- b) Solar Farm – presentation from residents. Noted – CC to arrange site visit of the location and consider their response. *(Subsequently – site visit undertaken, single planning consideration public meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> July, Chaired by A Crockett. Following discussion, it was agreed by majority that the CC position would be to object to the Solar Application. Secretary has submitted letter which has subsequently appeared on the planning portal.)*
- c) Other – none.

### **Elected Member's Report**

Cllrs advised they had noted the concerns re dog fouling and animal behaviour regarding the Haugh Park. Including the perceived risks associated with the hedge/containment!

Road works had been very problematic across the town and it was noted the disruption, and frustration was evident and had caused concern by residents, traders and visitors alike.

Noted the collapsed manhole at Crossgate had added to the difficulties, this would be attended too as an emergency repair. Meantime further traffic management in place temporarily.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Noted Bank Charges are being taken by Bank of Scotland for CC Account, set at £4.25 per month (variable depending on transactions/activity) – balance of funds held £13,239.72

### **AOCB**

No items were raised.

**DONM:** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 7.30pm

**Close** – note no meeting scheduled for July, summer recess.

