

Royal Burgh of Cupar & District Community Council

Minute of the monthly meeting held on Tuesday 28th October at 8.15pm with Cupar Baptist Church Hall. This meeting was held immediately after the AGM.

Present:

A Crockett, Chair (2025/26)

M Lumsden, Chair (2025/26)

R Graham, Secretary/Treasurer (2025/26)

ME Robertson

F McHarg

B McSeveney

P McInally

G Pay

D Adey

E McLeod, Cupar Development Trust

K Cowcher & D Hill, Cupar Arts

Apologies:

M Alexander

D Provan

Cllr Caffrey

In attendance:

Cllr Kennedy

1 member of the public

Welcome & Apologies

A Crockett, welcomed everyone to the meeting which was being held immediately after the AGM.

The inclusion of co-opted organisations was noted and warm welcome extend to Euan, Kate, Dave. We look forward to a rep from Sustainable Cupar and to meeting Ellie Pay, Cupar Youth Cafe

Opening Remarks

Chair thanked members for their support in being re-elected, appreciated the support of office bearers and noted the regular attendance of Fife Councillors at meetings.

Members of the Public

Tribute: Gayle Nelson - the Community Council were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Gayle Nelson. Fitting tribute was made to her contribution and enthusiasm supporting the arts festival in Cupar. The Community Council's thoughts were with her family, and everyone associated in many projects, including the Sunshine Kitchen, in which she played such a pivotal role. Representatives of Cupar Arts, echoed these sentiments and looked forward to building on her legacy in Cupar and in the Arts.

Cupar Museum - noted Museum would soon close for the season, last opportunity to visit the Curling Exhibition. Invitation extended to visit.

Approval of the minute fo the previous meeting, September 2025

Minute of the above were approved, proposed ME Robertson; Seconded B McSeveney.

Matters Arising

Xmas Tree (former ATS) - site and necessary connections being investigated. Noted timescale may be too tight for this year, but outcome of the potential for this will be helpful.

ATS Display - Treasurer and D Kirk, looking at replacement display boards/content at former ATS site. Budget approx £2-£3k. Provision had been made of ££2,700 previously. Likely to be 2026 - Spring.

Hogmanay Ceilidh - noted costs had increased to hire hall due to the holiday period, volunteers requested to support. G Sharp will make the necessary arrangements. Community Council will support as required financially. Contingency of £1k within budget. This will be the 25th Anniversary.

Citizen of the Year - Chair and sub group will progress applications, advertising agreed, outcome to be advised.

WM Lights - lights at War Memorial not working, waiting on outcome of inspection. Hoping that fix will be done before Remembrance Sunday.

Correspondence

Secretary had circulated correspondence, no items outstanding presently.

Planning

Planning Convenor

Noted there were no nominations for the position of planning convenor. Weekly list will continue to be circulated. Any issues or concerns to be raised with the Chair, Alastair in the first instance. Nominations sought - remains open!

Cupar North - noted recent press article re frustration of Community Council at lack of progress and no determination in sight re bringing application to NEF planning committee.

Solar Farm (St Marys) - no date advised re when this will be brought to the NEF planning committee. Application with Developer, response to objects/comments being considered.

Treasurer's Report - No change in available funds since last meeting - £12,640, annual grant will be claimed before the end of December.

Pat McNally offered to discuss/demonstrate online banking with treasurer, agreed to follow this up.

Fife Cllrs - update

Cllr Kennedy spoke about introduction of restrictions to Pavement Parking, noting there were some exemptions applied.

Watts - application would be coming to NEF Planing in the near future.

Stagecoach - contact with Stagecoach re changes to services No65 noted potential impact of timetable and connectivity. Ongoing discussions, noting need for greater engagement and consultation.

Roadworks - noted disruption, impact on all concerned, surface of road on A91 is potential disputed re quality!

AOCB

Remembrance Service - Chair will lay wreaths of behalf of Community Council.

Agreed to follow up Haugh Park and River Bank next meeting.

Fun Fair - no date for review meeting had been advised as yet.

Following request for P McInally, agreed to start future CC meetings at 7pm.

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Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 7.00pm Cupar Baptist Church Hall, Cupar.

Close

Meeting closed at 9.10pm