Royal Burgh of Cupar & District Community Council

Minute of the meeting held on Tuesday 30th September 2025 at 7.30pm within Cupar Baptist Church Hall.

Present:

A Crockett, Chair

R Graham, Secretary/Treasurer

M Lumsden Vice-Chair

M E Robertson

B McSeveney

P McInally

M Alexander

D Provan

E McLeod, Cupar Dev Trust

Apologies:

F McHarg,

D Adey

G Pay

Cllr M Kennedy

G Frail, Cupar Youth Cafe

In attendance:

Cllrs Hoggan & Caffrey, Fife Council

1 Member of the Public

Welcome & Apologies

Chair welcomed those present and apologies for absence were noted. Particular mention was made of Cllr Caffrey following his recovery from surgery.

Declarations of Interest

None declared.

Opening Remarks

Chair advised that all matters he had in mind were included within the agenda items for this evenings business.

Presentations - Police Scotland

No officers were present, noted Police Newsletter is circulated when this is received and also posted on the community council website.

Minute of the Previous Meeting 25th August

Minutes were approved B McSeveney, seconded D Provan. Noted Cllr Kennedy was present at the meeting but omitted from the sederunt.

Matters Arising from the above:

Fun Fair - noted a review of the Fun Fair event would be undertaken, community council will be invited. General view that Fun Fair had been a success and any

fears of nuisance or disturbance for nearby residents and been mainly reduced to a minimum.

Market Stall - community council attended Market with Gazebo. M Lumsden report that feedback had been positive and that there remains a great deal of satisfaction regarding quality of life in Cupar. Noted retail and leisure activities can always be increased. Noted bus timetables, 20mph zones and need for an extra pub!

SRUC/Elmwood - agreed Secretary, R Graham would represent the community council, Chair will substitute if required. Noted initial meeting had been held and that there were a number of interested parties in the town and further afield who have concerns re the future of the site, sustainability of the college and impact on learning opportunities locally and NEF.

Secretary's Report - correspondence

Cupar Arts - agreed to co-opt representative to the Community Council. Kate Cowcher was nominated and approved.

ATS Display - agreed to renew boards, secretary to liaise with D Kirk and progress as necessary. Noted costs would be met by CC and potential application to ward budgets, Fife Council. Noted suggestion by Cllr Hoggan re possible siting of a Xmas Tree, secretary advised this would need to be a Cllr led initiative.

Licensing - no objects re the application made to the Authority by local business - Luvians. Secretary to advise licensing board.

Ceilidh - CC agreed to host the Ceilidh (organised by volunteers) and underwrite the costs as required. G Sharp, the lead organiser. Help on the evening would be welcome.

Citizen of the Year - sub-group would be convened to progress, Chair will coordinate, B McSeveney agreed to join group. Others invited to express interest as appropriate.

Members of the Public

Positive feedback re fun fair, possible due to timescales (early closing at night) and reduce duration (number of days).

Ford Garage (former) - noted unkept/untidy fly posting. Cllrs agreed to try and have the owners contacted re tidy up!

Noted Town signage, Haugh rear of toilet block, replicates the frontage.

Agreed Xmas tree at former ATS would be a good location.

Heritage Centre closes 31st October, open until then on a Wednesday, Fri & Sundays 2.00-4.30pm

Noted no progress with Haugh Park and culvert.

Noted work had been undertaken at Skinners Steps, re dredging and banking strengthening.

Health

Nothing to report.

Planning

Cupar North - noted no date for determination despite CC writing to the planning authority, agreed that this had gone on too long and that a decision was required as soon as possible. Secretary will continue to seek response from Fife Council.

Solar Farm - no date re determination had been advised as yet.

Other - no other planning matters were brought to the attention of the community council.

Elected Member's Report

Clir Hoggan - provided a short written update, noted he attended the public meeting re Elmwood College/SRUC.

Clir Caffrey - noted no progress with Haugh Park Culvert; feedback re 20mph zones, kerbside/pavement parking ban now operational.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer reported that available funds, £12,640, budget for ATS and Ceilidh reduce this to £8,000. Defib project ring fenced funds £3,000 - resulting in £5,000 available to support local initiatives as appropriate. Annual grant to be claimed after the AGM - October meeting.

AOCB

St John's Church - query re future of the Church, P McInally would enquire.

DONM

Tuesday 28th October 2025 - AGM followed by monthly meeting - 7.30pm Cupar Baptist Church.

Meeting closed at 8.47pm