

Royal Burgh of Cupar & District Community Council

Minutes of 28th May Council meeting.

Cupar Baptist Church Hall

Commenced 1935hrs...Closed 2055hrs

In the Chair: M Lumsden. Vice Chair.
Cllr's present: A Crocket. Chair.
D Adey. Minute Secretary
F McHarg
B McSeveney
G Pay
A Collins
Fife Cllr: M Kennedy
Public: 5 Members

Apologies: R Graham. Secretary & Treasurer
J Collins
S Stewart
Fife Cllr Caffray

Chair welcomed all. Expressed for Robert Graham. Positive with Covid.

2. Co-option of Members to Council

Mary Ellen Robertson, and Euan McLeod were both formally co-opted onto the authority.
Representing, Sustainable Cupar, and Cupar Development Trust respectively.
Took their seats at Council Table.
No representative of Cupar Youth Trust attended.

3. Police Report

None

4. Minutes of meeting of 30th April

Approved with one amendment.
Last line of minutes. After "Minute", add "Secretary".

5. Matters Arising

None

6. Secretary's Report

Already circulated

7. Members of the Public.....3

Mairi Lindsay, a Cupar resident spoke in opposition to the Cupar North development proposals.
Nothing in amended plans which makes me confident to accept plans.

Gina Logan, a Cupar resident spoke.
Endorsed the comments of Ms Lindsay.
Four questions.

1. What action by CC on Cupar North?
2. Will Fife Cllrs attend Area, and Planning meetings?

3. Are the CC willing to try to get Persimmons to meet with public?
4. What are CC doing to celebrate Cupar Hearts 2nd win of Junior Scottish Cup.

Responses.....

Planning response prepared and ready for despatch.

Cllrs are attending meetings when they can.

Persimmons have invited CC to meet with them in their Perth Offices

Certificates in preparation.

Gavin, a Cupar resident.

Questions:

What is position of Cupar Big weekend (in Sept)?

Using Haugh park?

Responses..

Changing to an "Open day"

There is no lead for the event this year.

Three Estates should be in Crossgate

St Columba's thought to be planing something.

No use of Haugh park planning. (due to state of ground following flooding)

8 SRUC (formally Elmwood Collage)

Thinks trying to sell off land while keeping Elmwood House.

MSP has shared concerns. See "Save Elmwood page"

Entry course may be removed.

Much staff upset.

SRUC management told they cannot knock down, as is listed.

View that footprint will be savagely reduced...70% cut.

Local Plan needs to protect allotments for community, and Trees. (preservation orders)

CC agreed that Vice Chair keep up contact on behalf of authority.

CC agreed Secretary to write with concerns.

9. Fife Cllrs

Cllr Kennedy

a. Drop in for residents with Scottish Flood forum held last week. Welcomed.

Private Owners grants now the same as given in Brechin.

Resilience group – problem setting date.

10. Planning – Cupar North

A Collins the Planning Lead spoke.

This is still a very poorly planned development.

Council planners are failing to require developer to follow Scottish Govt planning guidelines.

Traffic hierachy not being follwed.

A 1960's development!

G Pay commented.

No point to see Persimmons.

Why council officers not taking account of best policy guidelines.

How to have input on Policy?

Cllrs should not lose sight of difference between Policy, and Planning applications.

A Crocket spoke:

No real public consultation from developer.

Invite them to Public meeting?

Send letter to Head of Planning?

Sustainable Cupar doing Public consultation on Thur 13th June, **advises M Robertson.**

Two proposals were put, and carried.

a. **Send in the prepared response** to the planning Application with covering 'executive' summary letter. Prepared by G pay, and A Collins. Secretary to send?

b. **Write to Chief Executive** asking why Planning policies have not been followed.

Discussion followed on merits of Public Meeting/s

Piggy back with Sustainable Cupar

Hold our own.

Invite Persimmons to attend.

Agreed Chair, A Crocket, to proceed to organise Public Meeting.

10 b. Other Planning

none

11. Treasurer's Report

to follow, due to illness.

12. AOCB

No progress on Gazebo...issue with graphics

A Collins to write to all N.E. Fife Cllrs on Cupar north issue.

Mary-Ellan....a reply to 'Active Travel' letter has been received from Fife council. Input on specific matters would be helpful.

General election hustings:

Chair to arrange booking of corn exchange.

Candidates only, no reps.

Speak to Newspaper.

Cupar Hearts

8th June evening event.

Provost and Area Chair will attend.

Agreed up to £200 for certificates.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 25th June.

1930hrs in Cupar Baptist Church Hall

Closed meeting at 2055hrs