ST MONANS AND ABERCROMBIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting of the St Monans and Abercrombie Community Council held on Monday, 15 October 2018, at 7.00 pm.

Present:

P Copland

S Bridges

V Salvage

M Syme

W Morris

V Bland

W Buchan

H Ironside

M Ashworth

S Collier

Cllr Holt

Cllr Porteous

Cllr Docherty (Chair)

Members of the public: 24

1 Welcome

* Cllr Docherty agreed to chair the meeting and welcomed members of the public to the inaugural meeting. He congratulated all candidates who had stood in the election, the members who had been successfully elected and the residents of St Monans and Abercrombie for the relatively high turnout at the election.

2 Election of A Chairman

Cllr Docherty called for nominations for the position of Chair. Mrs Salvage proposed (Mr Morris Seconded) Peter Copland. There being no other candidates, Mr Copland was elected unopposed to this office.

3 Election of Vice Chair

Cllr Docherty called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair. Mr Morris proposed (Mr Buchan Seconded) Vicki Salvage. There being no other candidates, Mrs Salvage was elected unopposed to this office.

4 Election of Secretary

Cllr Docherty called for nominations for the position of Secretary. Mrs Syme proposed (Ms Ironside Seconded) Stuart Bridges. Mrs Salvage then proposed Steve Collier (Mr Morris Seconded). Cllr Docherty called for a ballot and papers were provided to the members to vote. Messrs Collier and Bridges both excused themselves from the vote. Cllr Docherty declared that Mr Bridges elected to be Secretary. The public expressed their appreciation to both candidates and the outcome.

5 Election of Treasurer

Cllr Docherty called for nominations for the position of Treasurer. Mr Collier proposed (Mr Buchan Seconded) William Morris. There being no other candidates, Mr Morris was elected unopposed to this office.

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Ms Ironside has been approached by a member of the public concerning parking outside the school, especially at pick-up time. Children were in danger of getting injured. The PTA and the Community Police Officers have been attempting to resolve this, but with limited success. Previously there was a "walking bus" introduced, but the response had been very poor. It was therefore suggested that the Council be approached to make the road a one-way system. Cllr Docherty agreed to take more details of this issue and investigate the matter further.

Cllr Docherty

10.4 Problems with Postal Deliveries

In response to a question from Mrs Ashworth about recent poor postal deliveries within the area, Mrs Syme advised that it was a local staffing issue at the Post Office.

10.5 Bush Affecting Visibility

Mr Morris noted that he had reported an overgrown bush on council land, beside the Vets practice, that blocked the line of vision for drivers. It has been reported.

10.6 Procedure for purchasing Common Ground

A member of the public asked if anybody could purchase Common Ground without Fife Council or neighbours being notified. She suggested that Fife Council did not know anything about this particular piece of ground and had provided planning permission to build on it. She visited the Land Registry in 2013 to confirm that this was common land and had a copy of the relevant schedule. She also noted that she had papers from the old St Monans Town Council saying that residents could hang out washing there.

It was suggested that it was probably a matter for the Councillors to take up with the Councils Legal department. Cllr Porteous agreed to do so and asked if he could be provided with copies of the correspondence from the local resident concerned.

Cllr Porteous

11 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Community Council will be on Monday, 19 November at 7.30pm.

Chair

Dated: 19/11/2018