

2022 NEFAC 3

THE FIFE COUNCIL - NORTH EAST FIFE AREA COMMITTEE – REMOTE MEETING

7th September, 2022

9.30 a.m. – 11.10 a.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Jonny Tepp (Convener), Al Clark, Fiona Corps, Sean Dillon, Alycia Hayes, Stefan Hoggan-Radu, Margaret Kennedy, Louise Kennedy-Dalby, Allan Knox, Jane Ann Liston, Donald Lothian, David MacDiarmid and Ann Verner.

ATTENDING: Donald Grant, Community Manager (Area), Vicky Wilson, Area Community Development Team Manager, Sarah Johnston, Access Officer, Communities and Neighbourhoods; Lesley Craig, Lead Consultant, Neil Watson, Lead Consultant, Roads and Transportation Services; Ryan McQuade, Fife Property Gazetteer Officer, Business and Employability Services; Kirstie Freeman, Housing Manager, Housing Services; and Emma Whyte, Committee Officer, Legal and Democratic Services.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors Gary Holt and Robin Lawson.

In terms of Standing Order 8.1(2), the Convener agreed to accept an Urgent Motion in relation to the proposed reduction in Stagecoach bus services across Fife prior to the closure of the consultation on 12th September, 2022.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were submitted in terms of Standing Order No. 7.1.

5. MINUTE

The committee considered the minute of meeting of the North East Fife Area Committee of 31st May 2022.

Decision

The Committee agreed to approve the minute.

6. APPOINTMENTS TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Legal and Democratic Services seeking nominations for member representation on the external organisations detailed in Appendix 1 of the report.

As there was no unanimous decision for appointments to the following organisations, a roll call vote was taken for each.

East/

2022 NEFAC 4

East Neuk Centre Trust

Roll Call

For Councillor Dillon – 7 votes

Councillors Al Clark, Fiona Corps, Sean Dillon, Margaret Kennedy, Allan Knox, Jane Ann Liston and Jonny Tepp.

For Councillor Hayes – 5 votes

Councillors Alycia Hayes, Stefan Hoggan-Radu, Louise Kennedy-Dalby, David MacDiarmid and Ann Verner.

Abstained – Councillor Donald Lothian

Accordingly, the Committee agreed that Councillor Dillon be appointed to the East Neuk Centre Trust.

Scottish Fisheries Museum

Roll Call

For Councillor Corps – 7 votes

Councillors Al Clark, Fiona Corps, Sean Dillon, Margaret Kennedy, Allan Knox, Jane Ann Liston and Jonny Tepp.

For Councillor Hayes – 5 votes

Councillors Alycia Hayes, Stefan Hoggan-Radu, Louise Kennedy-Dalby, David MacDiarmid and Ann Verner.

Abstained – Councillor Donald Lothian

Accordingly, the Committee agreed that Councillor Corps be appointed to the Scottish Fisheries Museum.

St Monans Community Trust

Roll Call

For Councillor Dillon – 7 votes

Councillors Al Clark, Fiona Corps, Sean Dillon, Margaret Kennedy, Allan Knox, Jane Ann Liston and Jonny Tepp.

For Councillor Hayes – 5 votes

Councillors Alycia Hayes, Stefan Hoggan-Radu, Louise Kennedy-Dalby, David MacDiarmid and Ann Verner.

Abstained – Councillor Donald Lothian

Accordingly/

2022 NEFAC 5

Accordingly, the Committee agreed that Councillor Dillon be appointed to the St Monans Community Trust.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) approved the appointments to external organisations as detailed in the Appendix to this minute; and
- (2) agreed that member appointment to the East Fife Sports Council be deferred to allow for a discussion with the organisation on additional member representation; and
- (3) agreed that member appointment to the St Andrews Welfare Trust be deferred until clarification can be provided as to which ward members are eligible to be appointed.

7. PROPOSED WAITING PROHIBITION – RUMDEWAN TERRACE AND HAUGHFIELD TERRACE, KETTLEBRIDGE

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals to introduce a “No Waiting at Any Time” prohibition on the junctions of Rumdewan Terrace with Back Park and Haughfield Terrace, Kettlebridge.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of accessibility and road safety:

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/22/48 (Appendix 1) attached to the report, with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

8. PROPOSED WAITING PROHIBITION – HIGH STREET AND PARLIAMENT PLACE, AUCHTERMUCHTY

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals to introduce a “No Waiting at Any Time” prohibition on the junction between High Street and Parliament Place, Auchtermuchty.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety and traffic flow:-

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the prohibition detailed in drawing no. TRO/22/46 (Appendix 1) attached to the report, with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2)/

2022 NEFAC 6

- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

9. **PROPOSED WAITING PROHIBITION – JAMES STREET AND LARGO ROAD, ST ANDREWS**

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals to introduce a “No Waiting at Any Time” prohibition on the junction of James Street and Largo Road, St Andrews.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety and traffic flow:-

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the restrictions detailed in drawing no. TRO/22/47 attached to the report, with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

10. **PROPOSED WAITING PROHIBITION – GLEBE PLACE AND QUEEN STREET, TAYPORT**

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals to introduce a “No Waiting at Any Time” prohibition on the junction of Glebe Place and Queen Street, Tayport.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety and traffic flow:-

- (1) to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to introduce the prohibition detailed in drawing no. TRO/22/45 (Appendix 1) attached to the report, with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) to authorise officers to confirm the Traffic Regulation Order within a reasonable period unless there were objections.

11. **HIGH ROAD AND BONFIELD PARK – 20MPH SPEED LIMIT**

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals for the extension of the 20mph speed limit on High Road, Strathkinness and the introduction of a 20mph speed limit in the new residential development adjoining Bonfield Park.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety, to the promotion of a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to extend the existing 20mph speed limit on High Road, Strathkinness and include the new adjoining residential roads within the TRO.

12. A917 (ANSTRUTHER ROAD, HIGH STREET AND ST ANDREWS ROAD), CRAIL – 20MPH EXPERIMENTAL TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER (ETRO)

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising of proposals to introduce an experimental 20mph speed limit on the A917 (Anstruther Road, High Street and St Andrews Road), through Crail.

Decision

The Committee agreed, in the interests of road safety:-

- (1) to the promotion and confirmation of an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) to replace the existing 30mph speed limit on A917 (Anstruther Road, High Street and St Andrews Road), Crail with a 20mph limit for an experimental period of 18 months, as shown in drawings TRO22/50/Crail/Exist and TRO22/50/Crail/Prop (Appendices 1 and 2) attached to the report, with all ancillary procedures; and
- (2) that officers provide a future report to the Committee providing further recommendations towards the conclusion of the ETRO period.

13. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING CONSULTATION – SITE WEST OF CHURCH STREET, LADYBANK

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Business & Employability proposing that the names 'Nairn Way' and 'Crichton Gardens' be approved as new street names at the development site to the west of Church Street, Ladybank, as shown on the site plan attached to the report.

Decision

The Committee approved the new street names 'Nairn Way' and 'Crichton Gardens' for the Raith Homes development on the site to the west of Church Street, Ladybank.

14. PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY AND CORE PATH DIVERSION, WESTER PITSCOTTIE

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods advising of proposals for a diversion of the public right of way FN863 and core path 92, Pitscottie to Ceres Road via Wester Pitscottie.

Decision

The Committee:-

- (1) approved the proposed diversion of the public right of way and the core path under section 208 of the Town and Countryside Planning (Scotland) Act 1997; and
- (2) delegated confirmation of the diversion order to officers subject to no objections being received, in which case it would be submitted to the Scottish Government for confirmation.

2022 NEFAC 8

15. AREA ROADS PROGRAMME 2021/2022 - FINAL UPDATE

The Committee considered a report by the Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, advising on the delivery of the 2021-22 Area Roads Programme (ARP).

Decision

The Committee noted the contents of the report and appendices.

Councillor Clark left the meeting during consideration of the above item.

16. APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM CRAIL COMMON GOOD FUND – REWILDING KILMINNING

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods advising of an application received from Crail Community Partnership (CCP) for grant funding from Crail Common Good Fund towards the Rewilding Kilminning project.

Decision

The Committee approved a contribution of £10,000 from the Crail Common Good Fund to the Crail Community Partnership towards the Rewilding Kilminning project.

17. NORTH EAST FIFE AREA ANTI-POVERTY FUND

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Communities and Neighbourhoods reporting on the spending of the Anti-Poverty Funds 2021/22 and advising on the areas of spend of the £135,000 North East Fife Anti-Poverty funding for 2022/23.

Decision

The Committee agreed to note:-

- (1) the actual spend of the 2021/22 budget and outcomes achieved in the NEF Anti-Poverty Fund Action Plan attached as Appendix 1 to the report; and
- (2) the areas of spending of the 2022/23 funding across the areas of work outlined in Appendix 2 to the report which align to those identified as a priority by the NEF People Leadership Group, which are Homelessness, Mental Health and Social Isolation and Welfare Support and Food Insecurity.

Councillor Kennedy left the meeting following consideration of the above item.

18. AREA HOUSING PLAN UPDATE

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Housing Services providing an update on progress in delivering service priorities and performance information/

2022 NEFAC 9

information for the financial year 2021/2022 where figures were available at an Area level.

Decision

The Committee noted the work progressed through the Area Housing Plan for the financial year 2021/2022 and the expenditure for the HRA Locality Managed Budget for 2020/2021 outlined in Appendix 2 to the report.

19. PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS

The Committee considered a report by the Senior Manager, Property Services, advising of action taken using the List of Officer Powers in relation to property transactions.

Decision

The Committee noted the content of the report.

20. NORTH EAST FIFE AREA COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted the North East Fife Area Committee Forward Work Programme which would be updated as appropriate.

21. URGENT MOTION

In terms of Standing Order 8.1(2), the Convener agreed to accept the following urgent motion.

Councillor Knox, seconded by Councillor Liston, moved as follows:-

“The Committee notes the proposals submitted by Stagecoach to review Services across the NEF area and the consultation deadline of 12 September 2022. It is understood that the impact of these proposed cuts are substantial and will affect the lives of many of our constituents who are reliant on bus transport for work and to access services.

In considering the options for a comprehensive Fife Council response to the Stagecoach proposal it is noted that the agreed remit for Area Committee does not have any explicit powers to allow Area Committees to discuss concerns relating to a third party provided bus service even where they have significant impact on North East Fife. The Committee requests that Council undertake an urgent cross-party review on the remits of Area Committees in line with the statement made in the Leader's report on devolution of powers to Area Committees at Fife Council on 9th June 2022 to address this perceived gap.”

Decision

The Committee agreed the motion unanimously.