**THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT (SCOTLAND) ACT 2015**

**Community Asset Transfer Request by Crail Community Partnership – Purchase of Crail Community Hall**

**Representations Received**

**WC – Received 27th April 2020**

**Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

With the current funding crisis in local authority government that can only get worse after the Corona crisis is over, local communities need to be able to be in control and run their own local facilities, or they will simply be cut away from us. Crail needs to own and manage this facility or we will inevitably lose it completely.

Thank you for your consideration.

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﻿ **RIB** **– Received 26th April 2020**
I write in support of the above transfer application.

My family has lived in Crail for almost forty years and during that time have used this Hall as part of the Crail Community. All of our children attended playgroup there, when there was one, and had the benefit of using it for several other activities over the years: as an extension of the Primary School facilities, for concerts, youth club and Christmas parties. We also played badminton, attended concerts and community events including weddings. My mother attended clubs for older people and committee meetings.

In recent years, however,  it has begun to deteriorate and requires input beyond the means of the council alone. We believe that the future of the hall would be best managed by the local community and the wealth, not only of local knowledge but skills and experience contained therein. It is clearly a major asset to the community, not least because of its flexibility and with proper attention this can and should be further developed to meet the needs of current and future users.

We are confident that the community will develop a strong, secure future for this local asset.

**IM – Received 26th April 2020**

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**MMS – Received 26th April 2020**

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**JFC – Received 26th April 2020**

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**DJ – Received 27th April 2020**

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

Crail needs to use this facility or we will lose it completely.

I trust that this proposed transfer will be approved.

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**DW – Received 27th April 2020**

**Asset transfer application for Crail Community Hall**

I write to support the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership through the charity, Crail Community Partnership.

The future of the hall is best managed by the local community, allowing it to be developed to meet the community’s needs. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and historic building refurbishments. I am confident the community itself can create a strong future for the hall.

Sadly, the hall has not changed in its 50 years of Fife Council ownership. Community ownership would have the benefit of opening up access to funding bodies willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity like Crail Community Partnership. Crail needs a re-developed Community Hall and has, within it, the energy and skills to give the Hall a new beginning - so that it can be a focus for all in the Burgh and surrounding area.

**AB – Received 27th April 2020**

I am writing to support the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail Community ownership by Crail Community Partnership. This is an opportunity for us to take direct charge of this facility and create an important hub for local events and those from a wider area. We have a track record of bringing trade to Crail,  using for
instance ,Music and Food, with excellent well honed skills. These will be needed more than ever after the Covid lockdown.

**RMW – Received 27th April 2020**

I wish to support the above application. We feel it will be run and supported much better by the residents of Crail. Thank you.

**LH – Received 27th April 2020**

Please can I put on record ny unqualified support for the Crail Community Partnership's Stage 2 application for a CAT for the Crail Community Hall. Thank you.

**FK – Received 28th April 2020**

**RE: Asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

I write in support of the Asset Transfer Application of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by (CCP) Crail Community Partnership.

I believe the local community are best placed to manage the future of this hall so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community.

There are skills and knowledge within this community able to organize major events and believe there is a confidence that a stronger future can be achieved for this hall.

Where the hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership the CCP can access funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity, and subsequently secure this property for the use/benefit and control of the local community.

In light of the above I implore you to consider this application favourably and enable this fragile community to focus on utilising this building for the benefit/growth and future of the residents of Crail.

**DCF – Received 28th April 2020**

We are writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.We feel the future of this hall is best managed by

the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and we feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

**EM – Received 28th April 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

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**SCH - Received 28th April 2020**

**Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

It is obvious that the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet their needs.

We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) and individual residents willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

Crail community needs to secure the use of this facility in order to increase it’s use and foster it’s development. There is a concern that the community could lose it completely

**BBC – Received 29th April 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**RMD – Received 29th April 2020**

**Letter in support of the Asset Transfer Applications for Crail Community Hall.**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

I feel that the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organise major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for the hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership, but community ownwership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust, etc) that are willing to nvest in community development projects, through a local charity.

Crail needs to make use of this facility or we will lose it completely.

Your assistance in this matter would be appreciated.

**TK – Received 29th April 2020**

**Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership. I am Chairman of the Crail Festival Trustees and a member of Crail Folk Club Committee which are both users of the hall. Both organisations would use the hall more if it were in better condition and the process was easier.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**PNH – Received 29th April 2020**

I would like to express my support for the application to transfer ownership of Crail Community Hall to the Crail Community Partnership. This hall has the potential to be the perfect community hub for so many societies and groups within Crail. It is a very good music venue already but with proper adaptation can provide meeting space and sport opportunities. The Partnership has the skill and expertise to take on this asset which will only be enhanced under its management and control.

**MJR – Received 29th April 2020**

**Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**CM – 29th April 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**CB – 30th April 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

My family and I have over the last 24 years benefited from the Hall on many occasions, both for community events and privately for gatherings of family and friends.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to continue to meet Crail’s current and future communal needs. There are the skills, knowledge and enthusiasm in the community to run the hall and organize major events. I feel confident that the community would create a strong future for this hall.

Community ownership would also open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity. This enabling much needed investment into the hall.

**YS – 30th April 2020**

I am writing in support of the asset transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership. This is the largest hall available to the residents of Crail and is currently sadly underutilised. I think that there is no doubt that if the Hall was managed by the local Community it would be well run and used for a great number of activities. It will need to be developed to accommodate the many groups and clubs that will use it, and the community has experience of applying for funding and carrying out such developments. There is great enthusiasm in the community to take ownership of the building and I fully support the Crail Community Partnership application.

**JM – 1st May 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

Crail needs to use this facility or we will lose it completely.

**SJ – 1st May 2020**

I write to express my full support for the proposed asset transfer of Crail Community Hall to Crail Community Partnership.

This building is an important, and very underused asset, and needs to be taken in to local ownership and run properly with additional services and facilities.

**LA – 1st May 2020**

Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies ( e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc) tha are willing to invest in community development projects through a local charity.

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**DM – 1st May 2020**

**Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

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The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

Crail needs to use this facility.

**MP – 1st May 2020**

I would like this email to show my self and my families support for the Community Hall in Crail. This is a very important building for the community providing space for a multitude of events and possibilities. With the present situation with Covid 19 - this is a large hall and will be ideal when we eventually get back to some normality allowing for the possibility for small events using the social distancing rules. The transport links in Crail are poor and we have an ageing population so it is imperative that we retain the Hall for the use of the villagers. You will be aware that the hall is used for a variety of uses including weekly sports events, choirs, shows, the list is endless. Where else can we hold these in the village? The only other venues are very small and cant accommodate any amount of people.

I hope you will look favourably and allow the village to keep their hall.

**JN – 1st May 2020**

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**JVMR – 1st May 2020**

I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of the Crail Community Hall into community ownership to the Crail Community Partnership.

I feel, like many others in the Crail community, that the future of this Hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the specific needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organise major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong permanent future for this Hall.

The Hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (such as the Heritage Lottery Fund, Robertson Trust etc.) who are willing to invest in community development projects through a locally based Charity. Crail needs to use this facility or we shall lose it completely.

**GR – 1st May 2020**

**Re: Letter in Support of the asset transfer application for Crail Community Hall**

I am writing in support of the proposed Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

In my opinion, as a member of groups that have used the Hall over the years and observed its deterioration, the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse membership. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership, but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust, etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

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**KDT – 2nd May 2020**

We are writing in support of the Asset Transfer applications for Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership.

Community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity.

The local community have the skills and knowledge to organize major events and we feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall.

We feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community.

The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership,  Crail needs to use this facility or we will lose it completely.

**AG – 4th May 2020**

Letter in support of the asset transfer applications for Crail Community Hall I am writing in support of the Asset Transfer of Crail Community Hall into Crail community ownership by Crail Community Partnership. I feel the future of this hall is best managed by the local community so that it can be developed to meet the needs of our diverse community. We have the skills and knowledge in the community to organize major events and I feel confident that we can create a strong future for this hall. The hall has not changed in the 50 years of Fife Council ownership but community ownership will open up access to funding bodies (e.g. Lottery, Robertson Trust etc.) that are willing to invest in community development projects, through a local charity. Crail needs to use this facility or we will lose it completely.

**JN – 4th May 2020**

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In my opinion this request should be granted by the council. In so doing they will considerably enhance opportunities for advantageous use of the hall.

**DM – 9th May 2020**

I write to support the above asset transfer. The Community Hall, while currently underused, is essential for the running of several, well supported events in Crail, including Crail Festival and Crail Food Festival. To this end the community have already installed essential “theatre” functions, including sound and lighting systems and portable, tiered, stage extensions.

While there are several clubs and events that regularly take place, the hall is under used. Recent community involvement has shown a strong appetite for many more things to happen in the hall and this can only really be achieved by community ownership.

I strongly support this application, otherwise I fear that we will lose the hall altogether.

**MM – 9th May 2020**

Hi, I wright in strong support of this asset transfer. The hall is the most suitable for large events in Crail and we would not want to lose it. It is underused at present but I think the proposals put forward by Crail Community Partnership will allow for far greater use of the hall and a much wider range of activities.

I fully support this transfer.

**GB – 11th May 2020**

The Crail Community Hall has barely changed in the 50 years that it has been owned by Fife Council, and is currently underused. The recent Crail Charette and subsequent drop-in events organised by the Crail Community Partnership have highlighted the level of interest that people have in making more use of the hall, potentially acting as a hub for local clubs and services (such as a community-style library), as well as being used for other events. In order to meet the needs of the local community going forward, it is clear that the hall would be better managed by the local community who are in a much better place to respond to local needs than Fife Council, given the current state of local government funding. The local community already has the knowledge and expertise needed to organise events that benefit the community, such as the annual Crail Festival, and the Crail Food Festival. Bringing the hall into community ownership would enable us to seek funding from a wider range of funding bodies, such as The National Lottery Community Fund, and the Robertson trust, who actively support community development projects through local charities.

The transfer of Crail Community Hall into community ownership would help to ensure a better and brighter future for the hall. This would be to the wider benefit of the local community, as well as opening up the possibility of attracting more people to attend events (and spend money) in Crail, thereby helping to further support and develop local services and clubs.

**Representations Received: 37**

**In support: 37**

**Objection: 0**