

# Royal Burgh of St Andrews Community Council

## Provisional Minutes – February 2009

### For Approval

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## 1. Attendance

### Community Councillors

Ken Crichton, Dave Finlay, Ken Fraser, Zoe Smith, Patrick Marks, Ian Goudie, Henry Paul, Carol Ashwoth, Laurence Reed, Derek Skelhon

### Students' Association Representatives

Andrew Keenan

### Nominated

### Co-Opted

Penny Uprichard

### Fife Councillors

Robin Waterston, Dorothea Morrison

### Apologies

Catherine Rowe, Rob Fett, Shaun Atkinson, Marysia Denyer, Ray Pead, Jude Innes, Matthew Guest, Judith Harding, Mathew Verrell

## 2. Minutes of January 2009 Meeting

**It should be noted that as this meeting was not quorate matters requiring a clear decision could not be taken and will be taken forward where necessary to the March meeting.**

Mr Fraser noted that he had been erroneously listed as present and also noted under 6.4.1 that the World Class Report about which he'd reported had been unveiled where in fact an announcement had been made about when it would be unveiled.

Mr Crichton queries the value of correcting the minutes, as the meeting was not quorate. Ms Smith accepted this point and added that any decisions made this evening would have to be confirmed at the next quorate meeting.

## 3. Presentations

### 3.1. Mr Patrick Laughlin – World Class St Andrews

Mr Laughlin had asked late in 2008 to have the opportunity to present the findings of a study commissioned by World Class on Visitor Signing around St Andrews. The idea for the study had originated when Mr Laughlin had become aware about a year ago that Fife Council were commissioning consultants to look at visitor signing in Dunfermline and Kirkcaldy. Mr Laughlin had asked if St Andrews could be included and was informed it could if money could be raised for it. Mr Laughlin raised the funds through the St Andrews World Class Group. The study was carried out through Fife Council by traffic consultants Faber Monsell. He reminded the meeting that the Community Council had participated in the consultation. He advised the meeting that the conclusions of the study were merely an independent set of expert recommendations about what possibly could be done about a) traffic signs and b) pedestrian signs around St Andrews. 90% of the signs are to do with the historic core of the town.

One recommendation would be to rationalise the brown traffic signs for visitors of which he said there were too many in certain parts of the town to be safely viewed by drivers visiting the town. However the consultants had been more damning of the variety of pedestrian signs around the town. Despite the compact size of the town it was felt that visitors could find it difficult to find their way around because of the poor co-ordination of signing to different parts of the town.

The report talks about 23 locations in the town where properly designed, finger style signposting could be placed to orientate the visitor around the town. The old mish-mash of signs would be taken away. The cost of implementing the replacement of the signs had been estimated at around £140000. Mr Laughlin also reminded the Community Council that while the traffic signs didn't require planning permission, the pedestrian signs would have to go through the usual planning approval process. He also thought that any time scale for implementation might be anything from 2 to 4 years, depending upon funding being obtained. The consultants had recommended that the pedestrian signs were the priority.

Ms Uprichard reminded the meeting about a report produced by Fife Council some 4 years ago on signing and she wondered if there was any connection between the new consultation and the past report. Mr Laughlin said that there wasn't a direct connection, but the existence of that report had been beneficial as it meant that the consultants didn't have to start from scratch, reducing costs for any work. He suggested that the present work was as much a matter of refreshing what had already been done, but which had never been accepted as Council policy.

Mr Crichton asked about the nature of the signs. Mr Laughlin said that there wasn't a prescriptive set of ideas at this stage, but initial work had identified 23 potential locations for pedestrian signs, which would point the way to several places. The signs might be like finger posts, but he acknowledged that there was no clear idea yet of how they would look.

Mr Finlay asked about the budget for installing the signs and where it would come from. Mr Laughlin said that the estimate for pedestrian signs was around £62480. He added that St Andrews World Class had a budget with money obtained from Fife Tourism Development Fund, which could contribute £15 - £20000 towards the project. Fife Council Transportation Service had indicated a willingness to contribute, but with budgetary constraints it might not be enough to make up the balance of any costs, so Mr Laughlin anticipated a shortfall in the budget for any work. He added that his job was to try and find additional funding to make up for any gap and he'd like to start phase one of the project in the coming financial year.

Patrick Laughlin indicated willingness to supply/lend digital or hard copies of the report to interested parties.

### **3.2. Phillipa Dunn – On The Rocks Arts Festival**

Ms Dunn Director of Student Development and Activities for the Students' Association of the University of St Andrews described a new Scottish and Student Art Festival which, was being run from 19 – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2009. It is to be a showcase for the best in new musical talent, drama, art, dance, comedy etc. The Student Association with Ms Dunn the main organiser is hosting it. There will be nearly 70 contributions from amateur and professional groups across the country, as well as local groups. Contributions from students around various Scottish Universities and Further Education institutions will also be part of the event.

Ms Dunn herself is running a Youth Community Theatre Project in association with Historic Scotland. She is to be involved in a production of Peter Pan at St Andrews Castle, which will be on the first Monday of the project. She hopes to involve local children aged between 10 and 18, although adult actors will play some parts. A professional director will also be involved in the production.

There will be a number of other shows involving local groups such as the St Andrews Play Club, the Byre Theatre, St Leonards School, local photographers and designers. She hoped that the project would help create a forum for local arts, particularly as various professionals will be around to hold workshops etc. There will also be music and poetry events and even a workshop on magic presented by a former student of the university. The best of Student Film will be shown at the NPH Cinema. She also hoped that it might be another way of strengthening Town/Gown relations as well as being a boost to local businesses.

There will be a range of workshops on arts related matters and the events during the week will be free for children up to the age of 10.

One of the productions in the Festival is to be the first amateur production of Gerry Springer the Opera, a controversial show. She recognised the controversial nature of the show, but felt that as it had been a critical success and had won various awards it was worth putting on. After the show there will be a debate about art and culture etc. More details about the festival will be available on the web site:

[WWW.ONTHEROCKSFESTIVAL.COM](http://WWW.ONTHEROCKSFESTIVAL.COM).

Ms Smith asked Ms Dunn about the response she'd had from Madras College. Ms Dunn replied that she'd had a very enthusiastic and prompt response from St Leonards and she'd let Madras and other local schools know of the project to put on Peter Pan. Ms Smith replied that it might be wise to make a further approach to Madras College who she said wouldn't have resources similar to St Leonards and might need more hands on encouragement. Mr Paul offered to contact the Head of Drama at Madras and see what response he could get. Ms Dunn also in reply to a comment from Ms Smith said that all she needed for the production were the potential child actors as the students had all the resources as well as a professional director. Ms Smith queried the lower age limit of 10, which would exclude most Primary School children. Ms Dunn explained that it was her view that it would be easier to use secondary age children, but also added that there would be activities in which younger children could become involved during the Festival/holiday period.

## **4. Fife Councillors**

### **4.1. Frances Melville - absent**

### **4.2. Bill Sangster - absent**

### **4.3. Robin Waterston**

#### **4.3.1. Market Street**

Cllr Waterston opened by commenting that in his view the state of Market Street was a complete disgrace and getting worse. He explained that there were both short term and long-term issues. He hoped that when Fife Council set its capital budget for the coming year, there would be some money for Market Street. He recognised that it would be different from the previous aborted plans, and would need to be consulted upon. He hoped that the work would be done by the time of the next Golf Open. He is still pressing on the short-term issues of the potholes blighting the street. MS Uprichard queries the position with the use of the maintenance budget for street repairs. Cllr Waterston acknowledged that there was money in the maintenance budget and that there was a need to do basic maintenance. He acknowledged that it was a frustrating business and blamed the sudden stopping of the major plan for Market Street when Scottish Enterprise withdrew funding for the problems at present. He added that local members are to be meeting with Derek Crowe to show him on the ground the state of Market Street. He was hopeful of finding a way through the current problems.

#### **4.3.2. Home Energy Checks**

Cllr Waterston announced that every home is to be getting a mail shot on the matter of the use of home energy and ways in which home energy use could be improved. The mail shot will be in the form of a questionnaire from Fife Council Housing Service and Energy Saving Scotland Advice Centre. Advice will be given on the basis of responses.

#### **4.3.3. South Street Notice board**

No action has been taken as Cllr Sangster is on holiday. Cllr Waterston asked about the other notice boards in Church Square and on the Town Hall which are owned by the Community Council. Ms Smith acknowledged that these were little used at present. The Church Square one had been offered to the students for use and the Town Hall one has not got a working lock so is open to use.

#### **4.3.4. Western Cemetery**

Mr Finlay had emailed Cllr Waterston a question about the state of the Western Cemetery in the new part. He'd had a complaint from a lady about the state, part of the problem being the boundary, which was supposed to have a fence, wall or hedge. This work has not taken place because of a budgetary overspend in the current financial year, according to Cllr Waterston. Hopefully it will be done in the coming financial year. Mr Finlay also commented on the fact that the cemetery was reaching capacity. Cllr Waterston in reply said that this was recognised, but because Fife Council would be unable to expand to the south of the cemetery, a possible extension on the north side of the road was being investigated. Ms Uprichard didn't feel that extending the cemetery to the land between the Strathkiness High Road and Low Road was a good idea because it was quite a high site.

#### **4.3.5. Kinkell Braes Caravan Park**

Mr Finlay had also heard that the lease was up soon for the Caravan Park site. Cllr Waterston acknowledged that this was the case, but couldn't give any detail. Mr Crichton brought up the issue of the planting of trees to shield the caravan site from the town. This lease condition had never been met to his knowledge. He felt that this should still be required, and suggested that perhaps the Council could restrict the number of caravans on site until the condition had been met. Cllr Waterston agreed to check out this matter.

#### **4.3.6. Position on the Future of Madras College**

Mr Paul and Ms Smith asked for Cllr Waterston to comment upon possible plans for the future of Madras College. Cllr Waterston reported that the position is now for a business case to come forward by the summer, along with a recommended site. Before then the Schools Estate Development Group on which Cllr Waterston is a member will be taking a view on both Madras and any other Fife schools requiring replacement etc. Consultation Groups will be set up for each project which will allow local input into the detailed planning, thinking and preparation work. There is to be representation from Community Councils, Parent Councils and Pupil Councils, Teachers and other relevant interest groups. In reply to a question from Ms Smith, Cllr Waterston confirmed that Madras was one of half a dozen projects, but along with Dunfermline High was one of the top two in terms of priority for replacement. He added that the business case should have been in by this time, but had to his annoyance already slipped. Mr Paul wondered how the school development tied in with the Local Plan and was it dependant upon the plans for additional housing? Cllr Waterston replied that the funding had been secured and approved by Fife Council - £30 million. The funding will be available through Prudential Borrowing, which he described as essentially like buying mortgages and paying for them out of recurrent savings made by the Council. He confirmed that development contributions played no part in the project.

Cllr Waterston added that there wasn't officially a preferred site, but he thought that it might be in the North Haugh area, part of which is University owned.

#### **4.3.7. South Street Trees**

Mr Paul noted that the soil around the trees along South Street was becoming compacted, as there was no protection against anyone walking over those areas. He wondered about the possibility of getting grates put over the exposed soil? Cllr Waterston and Ms Smith commented that the work hadn't been finished, partly because there had been plans for seating around some of the trees, which hadn't found favour with the officials.

#### **4.3.8. Wheelie Bins outside Criterion Bar**

Mr Finlay commented on this problem. Cllr Waterston acknowledged this as an ongoing issue. The Pub owners have been written to and have been given a month to respond. Mr Finlay also mentioned the chairs which he said spill out on to the pavement and gradually block access for pedestrians, particularly anyone with buggies or using a wheelchair. Cllr Morrison also recognised the problem and informed the meeting that she and Cllr Sangster might look at the problem in the summer and get clear evidence of any problem. They would then hope to get the Pub to recognise the problems and address them before Fife Council acted to impose a solution.

### **4.4. Dorothea Morrison**

#### **4.4.1. Market Street**

Cllr Morrison added some points to the earlier discussion about the lack of maintenance. Under the previous administration she said that Transportation Services had taken money out of the maintenance budget to use for other purposes, hence some of the problems with maintenance being consistent. Under the new Administration this practice has been stopped, though because there had been a belief that the major refurbishment project was going to go ahead, it had slipped out of this year's budget.

#### **4.4.2. Structure Plan**

Cllr Morrison had sent in her reply on this matter.

#### **4.4.3. Complaints about Gritting**

Cllr Morrison had received a number of complaints about the lack of gritting in recent weeks despite the cold weather. She had queried the lack of gritting and been informed that the weather hadn't been

considered bad enough to require gritting. Gritting had however now started due to the ongoing cold weather.

#### **4.4.4. Wheelie Bin Problems**

Cllr Morrison report that she and Cllr Sangster had been trying to work to reducing the number of wheelie bins littering the streets of St Andrews, particularly large commercial ones, but also bins attached to flats in areas like Alfred Place. There was the added impetus of St Andrews being entered in Britain in Bloom. Cllr Morrison along with Cllr Sangster were trying to get agreement that in domestic areas black bags could be used again in the town centre. She admitted that so far they'd had little satisfaction from Fife Council but would continue to pursue the matter. Mr Finlay also cited problems with banners outside the Victoria Café and seating outside a café in Bell Street. Cllr Morrison in reply said that as the Bell Street matter was part of a planning application she couldn't comment, but would take the Community Council's objections to the Area Committee where the application would be discussed.

#### **4.4.5. New Street Seating**

There is an ongoing debate about the design of new seating for South Street. Cllr Morrison couldn't understand why the standard design couldn't be used and was less than enthusiastic about some of the more unusual designs. She hoped that there would be a resolution of the seating design by the summer. Cllr Waterston echoed Cllr Morrison's view by saying that he couldn't see why similar benches to the ones in Church Square couldn't be put in South Street. Mr Crichton suggested that Cllr Morrison should look at the seating in Dundee city centre when considering suitable seating for South Street.

#### **4.4.6. Tree Blocking Ladebraes Path**

Mrs Harding had reported to Cllr Morrison that a fallen tree was blocking the lower path on the Ladebraes. She had reported the matter and hoped that the tree would be removed quite soon. One reason for the delay has been the need for a special winch to lift the tree.

## **5. Planning Committee**

### **5.1. Planning Committee Reports**

See appendices B & C in the agenda – for information.

### **5.2. Modification to the Structure Plan & SEA**

Ms Uprichard reported on the results of correspondence on population figures for St Andrews and Fife. She had discovered some inconsistencies in reported population figures with one part of the Structure Plan talking about a "growing population of at least 375000," then later in the same document it states, "to support the growth in Fife's population to 375000 in the period to 2026". Additionally a graph on page 5 of the document appears to show a population of 368000 at present. The Structure Plan talks about allowing 35200 new houses to be built in the Plan period, which by Ms Uprichard's calculations based on an average of 2 persons per household is 70400 additional persons, a growth of well over 20% in her calculations. Dr Goudie thought that the current population was still under the 368000 quoted in the Structure Plan. The 375000 being the target for Fife's population by 2026. Dr Goudie also added that the 375000 figure quoted by Fife Council on the basis of 5% growth whereas now the Scottish Government is going for 8% growth.

### **5.3. Letters of Objection to the Modification to the Structure Plan & SEA**

Ms Smith asked for comments on the contents of Dr Goudie's letters before voting on whether to submit as written or with modifications/changes/corrections. Mr Paul felt that the letters should be submitted unaltered. Ms Smith however while happy with most of the content was not personally happy with some of the phrases used, such as "will further fuel the public's disillusion with the political process" and "we have so often seen Fife's officials bend the facts and statistics to fit pre-chosen conclusions". She felt that the former while perhaps appropriate in the context of the letter was editorialising, and the latter was not something, which sat comfortably with her, even if she wasn't enamoured of the current administration. Mr Paul said that he felt the wording being objected to was a relatively minor issue and that the whole weight of the document was very good. He suggested the possibility of an email vote on Dr Goudie's letters, as long as Dr Goudie was happy to make some changes. He added that it would be wrong not to support the letters given the amount of work put in to them. He recognised the problems of the deadline as well as the problem of not having a quorate meeting, but thought it would be a shame to lose the letters. Ms Smith accepted Mr Paul's suggestion about an email decision once Dr Goudie had made his changes.

Dr Goudie suggested that he was happy to make a small number of changes in the wording if these could be pointed out to him by Ms Smith. Ms Smith agreed to highlight some of the statements, which concerned her so that Dr Goudie could work on more acceptable wording, and email it to Community Councillors before the final submission deadline. When asked which sentences she felt reflected her concern she cited "will further fuel the public's disillusion with the political process" as one.

Ms Smith after further discussion said that she'd be happy for the letter to go to Community Councillors for consideration, and if it was supported by the majority for it to be sent in. Dr Goudie said he'd be happy to take Ms Smith's concerns into consideration when working on the letter, and added that it was always his consideration that he could obtain as broad a consensus as possible for any given document, provided it could be done within the time. Following a comment from Ms Uprichard on the factual accuracy of the letters, Dr Goudie added that he always attempted to be accurate in his presentation of facts. Dr Goudie offered to try and change wording that members of the Community Council objected to and would email a fresh version the following morning. This idea was agreed.

## 6. Matters Arising

### 6.1. Report from Arms Convenor – Update

Mr Paul had produced a printed update on the Arms situation, which is following a legal process to try and resolve the situation. Mr Paul is trying to get Mr White to answer questions about his business activities. He had offered Mr White the opportunity to come to St Andrews to meet with Community Councillors, but Mr White has so far declined any meeting, even with just the Arms Convenor, Chair and Secretary.

The legal process has cost the Community Council over £7000. Mr Paul believed that Mr White might be hoping that the Community Council will give up the legal process when it runs out of funds. Mr Paul said that he was seeking advice from fellow Community Councillors on what should be done next. Using the press was an option, but once out in the press he felt that control would be lost of how the matter would be reported. Mr Paul also put the alternative scenario of just sitting out the eight years of the ongoing contract, but because of the additional American element to Mr White's activities he thought that it would not look good if the Community Council was seen to be accepting money from an American developer. He still hoped that the Community Council could get out of the agreement, but this would require a breach of contract by Mr White. In reply to questions from Community Councillors, Mr Paul reminded the meeting that Mr White had previously suggested to Cllr Sangster who was then a Community Councillor that a sum around £12000 per annum could be made, but to date only around £38+ has been made by Mr White on behalf of the Community Council. Mr Paul also reminded the meeting that Mr White remains contractually obliged to pay the Community Council £1000 pa. This is paid every 1<sup>st</sup> May.

There were further questions about how the Community Council could get out of the contract. Mr Paul said that there were two openings, which could assist in getting out of the contract. Mr Paul explained that Mr White had taken all the trademarks in his own name, including in America and elsewhere, but had given the Community Council a Deed of Trust that would put the trademarks back into the name of the Community Council. Mr Paul has asked for the return of the trademarks but didn't know whether Mr White would do this voluntarily or whether court proceedings will be required. On a second point Mr White has a power of attorney to sign on behalf of the Community Council. Mr Paul hoped to get this power back from Mr White. Ideally he concluded he'd like to cancel the contract. He acknowledged that the Community Council had been naïve in signing the contract, but had been taken in by the claims of money to be made by Mr White.

Mr Finlay asked what options the Community Council had to regain some control. Mr Paul hoped that by getting back the power of attorney this would stop Mr White signing any more contracts in the name of the Community Council. Mr White is disputing the ability of the Community Council to regain the power of attorney. Mr Skelhon asked about the way the legal process was taking place. Mr Paul acknowledged that Mr White's lawyers were querying matters at every step of the process, knowing full well that every letter we replied to through our own legal consultants would cost over £400. Mr Paul acknowledged that it was vital to get the trademarks and power of attorney back before money ran out.

Mr Crichton wondered whether the Community Council could take out adverts in the appropriate Golfing Magazines to emphasise that the Community Council was the legitimate owner of the trademarks. Mr Paul replied that this wouldn't be, as Mr White could sue the Community Council for damaging his business because of the contract, which had been signed. Without proof of a material breach on Mr White's part the Community Council remained locked into the present contract.

Mr Skelhon wondered about the material breach, which the Community Council's legal representatives think may have taken place. Mr Paul replied that it was a matter of proof and at present there was no information, which had come back which categorically proved a material breach. The possible material breach relates to a possible contract signed in America for which Mr White received 1.2 million dollars to deal with trademark registration. Mr Paul added that he'd tried to get a reply from Mr White on this matter, but to date he'd had no success. Mr Skelhon wondered if that lack of response could be considered a material breach. Mr Paul acknowledged the possibility, but said that it was a point being argued via the legal representatives with Mr White using various excuses to delay the matter. Mr Paul added that there Mr White had indicated a reply to our queries by 18<sup>th</sup> February, but Mr Paul had no great hope that this would be an end to the matter. Mr Paul also informed the meeting that at one stage, Mr White had talked about meeting in Edinburgh with Community Council representatives. He felt that was impractical because of the work commitments of himself, Mr Marks and Ms Smith. Mr Skelhon wondered about the use of the Community Council's legal representative at any meeting, but Mr Paul wasn't keen because of the cost amongst other matters. Mr Paul admitted that a reason for meeting Mr White was to be certain that he didn't have a legitimate reason for his activities. Mr Paul said that any clear evidence that Mr White had signed a contract with an American Company would be the trigger for the Community Council to be able to cancel the contract as such an activity was against the present contract. Mr Paul also reminded the meeting that by a twist of irony the Community Council legal costs have come from money paid by Mr White by contractual agreement. In reply to a query from Mr Finlay about the contract, Mr Paul said that the original contract was for 5 years, but the notice required to cancel it was of similar duration. In 2007 the GP committee had allowed the contract to continue, hence the eight years commitment to the contract.

Mr Paul in reply to a query from Mr Skelhon said the Links Trust have been helpful and supportive. They had been the ones to point out the American connection and were also keen to stop any misuse of the St Andrews and associated golf related names. Mr Finlay wondered about what would happen if the Community Council let matter run their course until the end off the contract. Mr Paul thought that would not be acceptable as by then possible golf developments might be up and running and beyond Community Council ability to halt.

Mr Paul also reminded the meeting that the Lord Lyon was also involved because of the Coat of Arms, despite a previous Lord Lyon okaying the commercial use. Mr White has not replied on this issue either.

Mr Paul agreed to keep the Community Council up to date with the ongoing saga. Mr Paul expressed his frustration that the situation has dragged on as he felt that if Mr White have been more forthcoming last September the current legal wrangle would not have been necessary.

Mr Pead will look after the Arms situation while Mr Paul is abroad from late February for several months.

## **6.2. Climate Challenge Fund – update**

The Expressions of interest were emailed to Beautiful Scotland for consideration, but to date there has been no feedback either way, despite Mr Yarr making direct contact on a few occasions. It is hoped that there will be news soon. The February deadline no longer needs to be met, and at this date it would have been impossible to put together a detailed proposal. There is now an April deadline. Mr Paul wondered whether the insulation side of the scheme might be overtaken by events in the Scottish Government and the attempt by the Scottish Green Party to get free insulation for all Scots. Mr Marks acknowledged this possibility, but felt that there might still be a role for Carbon Advisors.

## **6.3. Report on Data Protection Seminar**

Mr Marks reported on his recent attendance at a seminar organised by Fife Council on the registration required by Community Councils. Mr Marks reported that registration will be necessary, but the Data Protection Commissioner has only issued a mild initial warning to get Community Councils to begin to register. The impression Mr Marks received was that it was most unlikely that there would be much demand for information from Community Councils, but we would still have to keep appropriate records. Fife Council has not indicated a willingness to pay.

## **6.4. Reports from Representatives**

No reports

## **7. Committee Reports**

### **7.1 Recreation Committee**

#### **7.1.1. Recent Meeting -**

Ms Smith briefly reported back on the recent Recreation Committee meeting which had discussed the year ahead. She invited members to attend the monthly meeting if interested in assisting with the various events.

### **7.2. General Purposes Committee**

No meeting has taken place.

### **7.3. 200 Club**

200 CLUB DRAW

1<sup>ST</sup> MRS SPEIGHT

2<sup>ND</sup> MR I METHVEN

3<sup>RD</sup> DR QUINAULT

### **7.4. Health, Education and Welfare Committee**

No meeting

## **8. New Business**

### **8.1. University Accommodation Lists**

Ms Smith brought this matter to the Community Council's attention. She explained that it related to the timing of the release of the accommodation lists. Students had to camp out to be able to get access to the lists issued by estate agents. Additionally the university was concerned as lists had been issued at the start, middle and end of the exam diet, causing problems for students and the University. Ms Smith hoped that estate agents would work with the University and students to sort out this matter. The Students Association has offered to host an Accommodation Fair at a time more suitable for students.

### **8.2. Joint Management of Small Schools Consultation Paper – Appendix D of agenda.**

This applies more to rural schools – for information

### **8.3. Visitor Interpretation and Orientation Strategy for St Andrews - see Appendix F of agenda.**

Mr Marks offered to liaise with the consultants to set up a meeting later in the week for anyone interested in participating.

### **8.4. Day School in Sustainable Development – see Appendix G of agenda.**

For information.

### **8.5. Stunning St Andrews**

Ms Smith explained that this was a committee, which had sprung up to handle the entry of St Andrews into the Britain in Bloom competition. She felt that the ethos of the competition was a worthy one, which the Community Council should support. She added that anyone could join the committee. It is currently being co-ordinated by Keith Jackson of Fife Council as there isn't a Chair for the committee.

## **9. Reports from Office Bearers**

## **9.1. Chair**

No report

## **9.2. Treasurer**

### **9.2.1. Treasurer's Report**

See financial report in February agenda.

## **9.3 Secretary**

### **9.3.1. Correspondence – see appendix A.**

## **10. Any Other Competent Business**

### **10.1. Rectorial Drag – Kevin Dunion**

Mr Kennan reported that March 2<sup>nd</sup> is the date for the rectorial drag with the rector probably arriving by 15.30 – 16.00. Invitations will be sent out.

### **10.2. Community Council Vacancy**

Ms Smith reminded the meeting that there is still a Community Council vacancy.