

Minutes of Newport, Wormit and Forgan Community Council		
Held in Blyth Hall on Monday 25 th May 2026		
		Action
1.	Present: Rick Dunkerley RD (Chair), Caroline Penny CP (Treasurer) Stephen Rottger SR, Kate Legg KL Renee Hepburn RH, John Colvin JC, Apologies: Andy Gillies AG, Ian Wilson IW, Liz Coote, LC	
	In attendance: Cllr Jonny Tepp, Cllr Louise Kennedy-Dalby	
2.	Visitors (if any): Frances Durward	
3	Police Report: No report available. JT reported that there would only be quarterly reports in future. 22nd June would be next “Coffee with Cops”	
4.	Approval of previous minutes of 27th April. Approved by CP, Seconded by KL	
5.	Matters arising from previous minutes: Newport Primary School safety update. JT advised police have been asked to co-ordinate visits with Fife enforcement officers. Parking officers feel intimidated by verbal abuse from parents which is viewed as a poor example of behaviour to children. School regularly sends e mails to parents regarding illegal parking. Website. More finalising work to be completed. Someone is required to be a substitute for IW in case he is not available. Some updating of website still necessary. War Memorial. Cleaning on list of work to be completed. AED update. No meeting yet with AG and “Heart Start “representative about defibrillator. Change to be made to ownership of Craighead phone box. Forgan Roundabout LKD reported there is a design specification. Nigel Hampton has been contacted by JT. There has been poor communication between the landowner and Council about who has responsibility for trimming the trees and bushes behind the bus stop. CC will make an approach. To be started soon. Nature Trail update. Work has been carried out within the plan timetable. JT and Fife representative walked along path and noted that the handrail has been altered. There has been no update on the	

	barrier. LKD filmed the slope gradient as she had difficulty in using her wheelchair to get up the slope. Jen White of Forgan Arts Centre would like an update . Coastal Path by the former Seymour. JT reported on a positive meeting and positive news would be forthcoming	
6.	Topical Issues:	
	Festive Group update. There had been a meeting the previous week. Music has been booked for evening of 20th. Becky waiting for a parking suspension for the High Street to be issued and for further information on permission for food trucks to be allocated spaces. This is up to Fife Council and no contact with the above has been made. £221 was raised from the quiz held at the Mens Club. Fife Council is happy for the Committee to go ahead with lighting arrangements for Xmas, as it would be 18 months before any change to lamp standards, but the installation fee for the lights was to be paid to Blanchere. Reported by them that some lights were broken and the repair bill would be £700. Festival Committee will be responsible for gathering the required funding. CP reported that bank changes were taking some time and the committee were concentrating on the 20th June event and would then address Xmas. It was suggested that a festival committee member be appointed to oversee management of the lights. Parking on West Road. Question as to whether Fife Council waiting for CC to respond as a consultation date has been issued. Victoria Park . Wild Flowers and grass cutting. This has caused been on the agenda for years. Ground maintenance staff did spread seeds close to the tennis courts and the gardens which back onto the park. Residents are unhappy about the dog fouling in the longer grass. Brenda Gillies, residents and Colin from Grounds to have a meeting.	
7	Councillors Reports: LKD had little news to report. Discussions were ongoing about Bridge suicide prevention. Both Tayside and Fife involved. The new bike racks at Forgan roundabout are being used. JT is pursuing the possibility of flying the Ukrainian flag on each 4th of September. SR noted that there was justification for also flying the Norwegian, and Polish flags when appropriate.	
8.	Planning Matters:	
	43 West Road, backs on to Wellgate Street and has application to knock down a wall to enable private parking to alleviate pressure on Wellgate Street parking.	

	Persimmon has issued plans to install EV ducting and also an Anti-Trespass fence. JT unclear about reasons.	
10.	Secretary's Report and Correspondence no report	
11.	Treasurer's Report Account stands at £3801.92 And £3234.00 ring fenced for festival.	
13.	Any Other Competent Business SR mentioned the poor street lighting in Kilnburn and JT asked that that any faults to be reported to Fife Council SR announced the AGM of the Sunrise Trust was to be held on 17 th June and that Trudy Cunningham is now a member of the trustees. CP reminded all that the tickets for the festival music event in the Blyth Hall on 20 th June were £20 if bought early but £25 on the night.	

NEXT MEETING 22nd JUNE AT 7.00