Minutes of Newport, Wormit and Forgan Community Council

Held in Blyth Hall on Monday 26th October 2026

		Action
	Present: Andy Gillies AG (Chair), Stephen Rottger SR (Vice-Chair), Liz Coote LC (Secretary), Caroline Penny CP (Treasurer), Rick Dunkerley RD , Trudy Cunningham TC, Ian Wilson IW, , John Colvin JC, Frances Durward FD, Cynthia Robb CR	
	In attendance: Cllr Jonny Tepp, Cllr Louise Kennedy-Dalby	
1.	**Apologies**: Renee Hepburn	
2.	**Police Report:** LKD has asked again for the missing 2 reports	**LKD**
3.	**Visitors (if any):** apologies from Nature Trail group.	
4.	**Approval of previous minutes** :proposed **SR**, seconded **JC**	
5.	**Matters arising from previous minutes:**	
	• **Road Safety and Parking at Newport and Wormit Primaries.** This matter is ongoing and will continue on Agenda. **JT** and **AG** are to meet with Wormit PTA. No progress so far.	**JT** **AG**
	• **Bus Stop at Forgan Roundabout** This remains a concern and was raised at a recent meeting with MSP Willie Rennie (WR)**,** Transport Scotland, Amey and neighbouring CCs. Safety on the A92 following recent fatalities was the principal purpose of the meeting. Issues including suitable passing laybys, sightlines, barrier protection and speed limits were discussed together with driver behaviour. WR challenged the officers from Transport Scotland and Amey Roads Dept to respond to him on each of the concerns raised. Provision of bus laybys on the dual carriageway was raised again as a way of improving bus services locally. A petition is suggested to measure local opinion JT intimated that accident data only record reported incidents and therefore no record of near misses or minor incidents exists. Officers added that there were no suitable places for a speed camera van to park in the area. Suggestions were that a local petition may be the next step.	**JT AG**
	• **Comms Group** IW is stepping away from his role as website coordinator and leaves on 12th November. Frances Durward FD will meet with IW with a view to considering taking over management of the website. The Facebook page will cease.	**IW FD**
	• **AED update** • At the latest Taybridgehead meeting, other Community Councils showed interest in installing defibrillators. Trevor Kay from Rotary will attend next meeting to establish the scale of need . Kirsty Freeman, The Area Officer, will also attend. • **Nature Trail** No visitors attended. They will come to the November meeting. • **Bus Services:** • TC reported that there will be a new timetable released on Monday 9th November. The M77 will run every half hour at peak times. SR reported that many bus stops did not have any timetables visible. TC reported that the Wormit School bus stop is in poor state of repair. Twice been reported. JT will follow up.	**JT**

	• **Armistice Day:** SR asked for volunteers from the CC. Road closure will last from 11.45 -12.35 approx. All necessary arrangements are in place. RD and JC organising parking notices SR and RD to meet for final arrangements. Barriers and cones to be collected from storage. • **Bank charges for CC account** Charges not applicable.	**All** **SR RD** **CP**
6.	**Topical Issues:** **Road signage visibility:** AG requested this remain on the agenda. JT Reported next Fife council meeting is on 10th Dec. and he will present a formal question about sign condition and visibility. **Festival Committee.** CP reported that only 2 members present at last meeting. Committee could fold. An appeal for active support will be launched in the New Year. There have been problems creating a new bank account. Fife Council now requesting an application for permission to erect lights and were expecting public liability cover. £5000 will be required next year with doubtful sources. JT can provide collection tins for Lights On event on 26th Nov. **Taybridge CC Forum:** AG and LC will attend next meeting at Balmullo.	**JT** **LC CP** **AG LC**
8.	**Councillors Reports:** LKD noted changes to planning applications from 1st Nov. The planning portal would be the sole way of sending correspondence as e mails would no longer be applicable…there were too many to deal with. "Traditional" letters will be accepted! Complaints from residents living on Kilnburn that parking was problem when events on at Blyth Hall.	**LKD**
9.	**Planning Matters:**	
	A recent application raised the acceptability of cross pavement EV charging cables. JT reported that piece of land opposite the Coronation Gardens is to be cleared by Council. Position of sauna at boat club had to be changed following input from SEPA due to nearness to high water mark.	**AG**
10.	**Secretary's Report and Correspondence**	
	Declaration of Office to be completed by new CC members.	**CR FD**
11.	**Treasurer's Report**	
	£3389.89 in account after all payments.	**CP**
12.	**Taybridgehead CC Forum**	
	Next meeting at Balmullo.	**AG LC**
13.	**Any Other Competent Business** LKD reported that all town halls to close at 9.00p.m unless special request for events etc. This is to accommodate staff overtime. IW reported a requested extension of cycle link via Drumoig. RD offered grateful thanks to IW for all his work in the setting up and maintenance of the website. With best wishes for the future.	**LKD**

NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 23rd NOVEMBER AT 7.00PM