

# **CROMBIE RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (CRA)**

## **AGM**

**Tuesday 4th March 2014 19:30**

**Crombie Community & Leisure centre**

## **Minute**

### **Present:**

Tony Orton (TO) (Secretary)  
Sandra Schafferius (SS) (Treasurer)  
Ramone McKenzie (RM)  
Darren McFadden  
Craig Mitchell  
Ruth Padmore (RP)  
Hans Wallace

### **Apologies:**

Neil Baldwin (NB) (Chairman)  
Helen Baldwin (HB)

### **Attendies:**

Cllr. Kate Stewart  
Glynis Orton  
Keith Berry  
M Roxburgh (MR)  
Caroline Welch  
Alex Hastings  
Helen Fox  
Margaret Coughlan  
Michael Coughlan  
Carole Young  
John Wilson (JW)  
Claire Massey  
Kevin Chandler

### **1. WELCOME**

TO welcomed all present, thanked everyone for attending.

### **2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from the Chairman, HB and that HW will attend but will be late.

TO stated that there was a constitutional problem that the Chairman was not present and the post of Vice –Chair had not yet been filled. Consequently, I.A.W Standing Order 4.1.1. it was necessary for him to seek the approval of the meeting to be Chair for the meeting. There being no objections TO was unanimously approved to Chair the meeting.

### **3. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

TO stated that before the current committee stood down, the final business to be conducted was for the meeting to accept the changes to the constitution that had been agreed by the Management Committee(MC) at their meeting on 7 January2014.

There being no objections the amended Constitution was accepted unanimously.

### **ACTION**

#### **4. TREASURERS REPORT**

The Treasurer reported that the bank account had now been opened and the balance on hand was £169.00 made up of £150.00 seed corn grant from Fife Council less £31.00 printing charges plus the £50.00 goodwill payment from Royal bank of Scotland.

#### **5. END OF YEAR REPORT**

TO gave a resume of the past year from CRA being started in 4 March 2013, Constituted on 26 March until the present. As the Community Council had ceased to exist in January, CRA started at just the right time to oppose the proposal to close Crombie Primary school published on 16 April 2013. However, this had the effect of dominating the year to the detriment of other issues. Hopefully this will be resolved one way or another and other issues, such as the problems with the gardens in Central road and improving the village environment.

#### **6. Current MC stood down**

#### **7. Cllr. Kate Stewart took the chair for the election of a new MC.**

#### **8. Election of new MC – up to 14.**

The following residents volunteered:

Neil Baldwin  
Tony Orton  
Sandra Schafferius  
Helen Baldwin  
Ruth Padmore  
Darren McFadden  
Ramone McKenzie  
Craig Mitchell  
Hans Wallace  
Jaynie Allison  
Michael Coughlan

There being less than 14 volunteers the listed residents were appointed without the need for an election.

#### **9. MC – Election of Office Bearers**

The new MC took their places and elected the office bearers as follows unanimously:

**Chair:** Neil Baldwin - proposed TO - seconded CM

**Vice-Chair:** Tony Orton – proposed SS – HW

**Secretary:** Tony Orton – proposed RM – seconded CM

**Treasurer:** Sandra Schafferius – proposed TO – seconded RP

#### **10. Vice- Chair (TO) took the Chair from Cllr. Kate Stewart**

## **11. UPDATE ON CROMBIE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

TO updated the meeting on the fact that the original proposal had not been implemented but that a new proposal to close the school and rezone to Limekilns Primary School had been recommended and accepted by Fife Council.

## **12. LIST OF BUSINESS FOR THE COMING YEAR**

In addition to continuing to oppose the closure of the school the following issues would be taken into consideration:

- The problems with the back gardens in the new houses in Central Road;
- Improving the village environment including Beautiful Fife – however, it was decided that entry to the Beautiful Fife competition would be delayed until next year;
- More action on dog fouling;
- A notice board for CRA meetings and village information e.t.c.

## **13. CENTRAL ROAD GARDENS**

A letter had been posted to all of the residents in Central Road inviting them to attend the meeting. However, only one resident (MR) had turned up to the meeting. MR confirmed the problem that existed. However, TO had to point out that unless the residents joined together as a group it would be almost impossible for CRA to assist them.

## **14. ANY OTHER COMPETENT**

TO stated that during the opposition to the closure of the school it had become clear that an increase in the school roll was the only guaranteed way to save the school. The only way of achieving this increase was to increase the population of the village. Whilst it was recognised that this was a controversial issue JW was present and had offered to update the meeting on the present planning position and to answer questions. JW updated the meeting and made himself available after the meeting to answer questions.

## **15. CALENDER OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

Unfortunately this part of the agenda was missed; however, the information is:

Committee:	04/03/14	19:00	5 Orchard Grove
General:	01/14/14	19:00	CC
Committee:	06/05/14	19:00	5 Orchard Grove
General:	03/06/14	1900	CC

**MEETING CLOSED 20:20**