

**TIM BRETT'S REPORT**  
**LEUCHARS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY 3 JULY 2018**

- 0 **Railway Station Bridge** – I am pleased to advise that the bridge accessing the station has now been transferred from Fife Council to Network Rail. This has taken just over 4 years to achieve and we now need to persuade Network Rail to carry out repairs to the rust on the bridge.
  
- 1 **Leuchars/Balmullo Pharmacy** - I have spoken to Evelyn McPhail, Chief Pharmacist with NHS Fife and she will be having further discussions with the two Pharmacists. I hope to have more information in early September.
  
- 2 **No Parking Sign – Pitlethie Road** - The sign has now been erected opposite the school that will hopefully maintain access to the garages at the back of Henderson Terrace. I will continue to monitor the situation
  
- 4. **Playpark – Pitcairn Park** – I have written to Janice Laird our Area Manager to advise her that there is a strong view in the community and in the Community Council that the playpark in Pitcairn Park should not be removed. We will be discussing this again at the next locality meeting.
  
- 5. **Food Waste Bags** – Following a question at last week's Fife Council meeting, anyone who cannot get to a recycling centre can request that bags should be sent to them by post.
  
- 6. **North East Fife Out of Hours Service and Joining Up Care** - As members may have seen, the current contingency arrangements whereby there is no GP out of hours service at St Andrews from midnight until 8.00 am will continue for a further 6 months. A Consultation - Joining Up Care has now been issued setting out the longer term arrangements for both out of hours services, community hubs and proposals for community hospitals. This will run for 14 weeks from 2 July and I hope that people will take the time to read this. Residents of North East Fife will have the option of attending the Out of Hours service in Dundee at Kings Cross Hospital if this is more convenient. The

Consultation states that there will be no Out of Hours GP service in North East Fife from 6.00 pm each evening and at weekends and public holidays.

7. **Grit Bins** – I have sent the Secretary details of the grit bins which the Transportation Service have suggested should be removed from Leuchars. I would welcome the Community Council's views on this as we need to respond to this by the end of July.
  
8. **Eden Estuary Annual Report** is now available.
  
9. **Police Report** – There have been 15 calls to the Police in the last month but no 999 calls, this has resulted in two crimes. Inspector Jane Combe attended the North East Fife Area Committee on 20 June and provided a further briefing on Police activity over the last 3 months. There has been particular emphasis on dealing with road traffic issues.
  
10. **Gardens in Henderson Terrace** – I received a letter regarding the state of gardens in some of the Council properties in Henderson Terrace and this has been followed up by one of the Council's Housing Officers.
  
11. **Veterans Breakfast** – I understand that 22 people attended the first Veterans breakfast at the base.
  
12. **Road Closure** – A section of Main Street will be closed between 12.15 pm and 2.30 pm on 5 July. Traffic will be stopped on two occasions during this period for a maximum of 5 minutes each time. This will allow the Police to control traffic to allow unimpeded transit of officials and troops during the presentation of a new Standard to the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards to take place in safety.
  
13. **Aircraft Noise** - There will be a slight increase in activity and noise on the afternoon of 23 July and the morning of 24 July due to a training exercise being undertaken.
  
14. **Elected Members** received a presentation on the new V&A at the Area Committee on 20 June. The V&A will be opening in mid September.

**15. Leuchars Primary School** is receiving £20,400 in additional funding from the Pupil Equity Fund in 2017/2018.

### **Items for Information**

- 3 **I attended** the Armed Forces Day event in Cupar on 29 June.
- 4 **I attended** the ground breaking Ceremony for the new community hub in Tayport on 20 June.
- 5 **Eden Estuary** July Newsletter.
- 6 **Fife Drivewise for Older Drivers** - The Council's Safer Communities Team are offering a free talk to any groups of older citizens who might be interested in this.
- 7 **Gaelic Taster Session** – 4 July, 10.30 – 11.30 am, Lomond Centre, Glenrothes
- 8 **Fife Council** is one of three short-listed entries in the UK promoting entrepreneurial spirit awards.
- 9 **Whats New in Adult Support and Protection.**
- 10 **I attended** the Dolphin Centre AGM on 26 June. The Centre are looking for new Trustees.
- 11 **Mobile Phone Coverage** – Councillors received a presentation on mobile infrastructure plans in Fife on 21 June.
- 12 **Fife Family Learning Roadshows** will take place in the Tayport Community Garden every Monday from 2 July – 6 August from 2.00 – 3.00 pm.
- 13 **Universal Credit in Fife** – Councillors have received a report on Universal Credit drawing particular concern to the rise in Council tax rent arrears. A briefing was also issued on support for hard-up households.
- 14 **Tentsmuir National Nature Reserve** June Newsletter.
- 15 **North Fife Cycling News** June.

- 16 **Unadopted Roads** - Further information has been provided on the funding for unadopted roads. North East Fife will be receiving £65,000. The Transportation Service have advised that they are aware of unadopted roads in North East Fife but if individuals want to contact me I would be pleased to make sure that their road is included in the work to be done.
- 17 **I attended** the Conference on Rural Poverty in North East Fife on 6 June.

**Councillor Tim Brett**

**Tuesday 3 July**