

## **DUNDEE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES - OCTOBER 1566/ OCTOBER 1567**

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No election of new members occurred on a specific day in 1556. Posts filled one by one throughout the year.

### **Acts**

- All acts and statutes decreed by the Council to be enforced without respect of any person (18 June 1567).
- The acts on Wool trading to be enforced, any person not paying wool duty to be taken into custody until payment is made (18 June 1567).
- The acts on merchant sailors wine rations to be enforced, all ships to be provided for and captains to be repaid for any expense (18 June 1567)

### **Argyllgate [Overgate]**

- John Kinnaird produces a brief from chancery concerning building a stair on his property at the Argyllgate (29 January 1507).
- A dispute between two property owners on the north side of the Argyllgate settled (9 June 1567).
- James Petrie (burgess) complains Andrew Baxter is encroaching on his property in the Argyllgate (17 July 1567).

### **Bulwark**

- The anchorage dues and customs to be levied only on the dock and bulwark (18 June 1567).

### **Burgesses**

- New conditions concerning the admission of persons to the burgess guild or becoming a burgess freeman (18 June 1567).

### **Charges**

- All charges, ordinary or extraordinary, or debts and damages belonging to the town to be met jointly by the provost, baillies and deacons of crafts (16 November 1566).

### **Cowgate**

- The Cowgate to be paved over, as far as Our Lady's Wynd (4 October 1566).

### **Court**

- Any person absent from the head court after the ringing of the bell to be fined (7 October 1567).

**Dewchar, Thomas**

- To be given a pension from the Queens Donation Fund for his services to the town (18 June 1567).

**Discharge**

- Any member of the Council breaking office or opening secret communications to be discharged (26 February 1567).

**Keys**

- According to ancient custom, the keys of the common kist to the following persons for the year:

James Lovell  
 Andrew Annand  
 Alexander Carnegy (4 October 1566).

**Kirk**

- No women to bring any children younger than 5 years into the Kirk (7 October 1567).

**Kyd, Robert**

- The malt, common milne and small customs revenues to be managed by Robert Kyd (16 November 1566).

**Libel**

- In all libel cases witnesses to be produced on the day of renunciation and depositions to be made immediately (18 June 1567).

**Middens**

- No more middens are allowed in the West Port and all middens at the Burial Wynd and Swine Burn to be removed (4 October 1566).

**Murraygate**

Robert Drummond, burgess and tenement owner on the North side of the Murraygate complains that his access to the well has been blocked (3 July 1567).

**[Overgate] see Argyllgate****Pier**

- Work to be done on the pier and bulwark (18 June 1567).
- All craftsmen, sea captains or mariners who do not pay the small customs to contribute towards the work on the bulwark (18 June 1567).

**Piermaster**

- Alex Srimgeour to be piermaster and George Bell his officer (7 October 1567).

**Poorbox**

- Any money found to be made fraudulently to be placed in the poorbox (7 October 1567).

**Ramsay, David (Baillie)**

- Appointed collector of the queen's donation for upholding the ministry of this burgh (18 June 1567).
- David Ramsay again elected to the same office (7 October 1567).

**Rent**

- An act about George Rollok and his rent from the common milnes (4 October 1566).

**Rollock, George**

- See also rent (4 October 1566).
- George Rollock, Master of the Almshouses, submits his accounts (22 January 1567).

**Scottsgeir, John**

- To be taken into custody until he pays John Gordon the money owed (26 February 1567).

**Swine**

- All swine to be removed from the area of the common gate and the wynds (4 October 1566).