

EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Serving the Parishes of Aberdalgie, Dron, Dunbarney, Forgandenny, Forteviot & Rhynd

Minute of meeting held on Monday 22nd February 2020,

Held via Zoom Meeting at 6.30 pm

1. Present:	J Bruce, J Sloan, P Vallot, AM Losty, E Law, J Thomson
PKC Councillors	Cllr K Baird, Cllr D Illingworth
Attending public	Five
2. Apologies:	K Paterson, D Johnston
3. Declaration of Interest	J Bruce

4. (a) Adoption of Minute		25th January 2021
Proposed:	J Bruce	Seconded: P Vallot

5.	Matters Arising Scottish Water – Awaiting information on results of Integrated Catchment Study. (See 9. Infrastructure item v)
6.	Treasurers Report
	General Fund – £365.80 Administrative funding allowance – Granted (awaiting receipt of grant)

	Covid-19 - Nil	
7.	Health	
i	PV actioned a response to G Paterson, Chief Officer/Director – Integrated Health & Social Care Perth and Kinross Health & Social Care Partnership following our last meeting, no response to date - On Going	PV
8.	Infrastructure	
i	Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust Feasibility Project of shared use Path, A912 between Bridge of Earn and Newburgh Press releases following ECC meeting held in January revealed a mixed response from members of the public both negative and positive. A virtual public meeting/conference will be arranged to facilitate and engage a wider consultative process for the community – Ongoing	
ii	Flooding Locally (Following recent thaw/rain scenario) Forgandenny – Station Road, following improvements the new flood drainage system all had worked well in recent days. The main road had experienced flooding which required caution by road users, no flooding concerns behind the village hall Aberdalgie – Walled Garden is still a cause for concern following heavy rain. Bridge of Earn – Old Edinburgh Road/Railway Bridge, Back Street, Kintillo Road/Wicks O’Baiglie Rd and Dunbarney Gait all cause for concern JS emailed G Steel SW at 26 th January 2021 with regards to Integrated Catchment Study (ICS) results, no confirmation on this to date. Further correspondence will be sent to G Steel SW and R Stewart, P&KC in respect of all outstanding flooding matters and ICS report - Ongoing	
iii	Non-Return Valves G Steel, SW and R Stewart, PKC Flooding Eng have both been emailed in relation to ownership of NRV’s in Back Street, Bridge of Earn. Included in these emails was the concern of continual flooding at Old Edinburgh Road/Railway Bridge, Dunbarney Gait (see below) and ICS	
iv	Dunbarney Gait G Steel, SW has indicated via email (9 th February) of concerns that the vesting of the pumping station has not been completed yet and is a cause of concern. Ongoing	
v	Community Resilience ECC interest to further this conversation in community resilience - Ongoing	

9.	Ecology Nil	
10.	Planning	
i	Lamberkine Trust 20/00667/IPM – Perth West- Development of land between A9 and A85 18/00012/PAN Low carbon energy park comprising multi vector sources including solar, heat pump, biomass and combined heat and power generation, power distribution and storage with associated vehicle access and service infrastructure Land at Cotton Wood, Lamberkine Wood, Coldwells Wood, Broxden Wood, Gallowspark Wood and East Lamberkin Farm Perth – Awaiting application – JB informed the meeting that an online public consultation will be held at a later date.	
ii	20/00014/PAN Residential development Land to The North of A912 At Oudenarde Bridge of Earn – Planned Public consultation, Friday 26th March 2021. More information to follow – On Going	
iii	20/01602/IPL Residential development (in principle) Land 30 Metres North East of Oakfield Cottage Forgandenny - Refused	
iv	West Kinfauns, Perth, PH2 7XZ – PAN Proposed planning permission in principle for a mixed-use development comprising museum, hotel and holiday lodge accommodation incorporating ancillary support functions, including retail, and potential park and ride facility. Earn Ward is a neighbor to this proposed plan and for this reason is included in the sharing of information. Planned Digital consultation will be held on the 16 th March 2021 between 3 – 7pm – On Going	
v	21/00165/FLL Erection of a dwelling house at Land 80 Metres North Of Castle Croft Forgandenny	
11.	Administration ECC Correspondence	
i	Overgrown Hedges – Concern has been raised of some public and private hedges that are encroaching pavements to the effect of impacting pedestrian use and safety. P&KC will be contacted re identified public hedges requiring attention and maintenance. With respect to private hedges a general broad sweep approach was considered a good initiative for all residents to be aware of hedges that bound pavements or have a cause and effect of reducing sight lines particularly at road junctions. It was noted that maintenance of hedges should be avoided during the nesting season. A Public comment will be drafted and shared with ECC before circulation.	
ii	MyPKC is an online portal for reporting faults, applying for services and making enquiries for all PKC residents. More information has now been shared with ECC members and wider via ECC Facebook, web page and local notice board.	

iii	<p>Planning - Community Council briefing: Publication of New Planning Enforcement Charter - email shared with all ECC members. Good reference point for planning comments and concerns.</p>	
iv	<p>Transport Scotland – Email regarding information on their Strategic Transport Projects Review (STRP2)</p>	
v	<p>Zero Waste Scotland & PAS (Planning Aid Scotland) are partnering to run a series of free events for Community Councils/Community Groups across Scotland – an email received detailing dates/times of these events</p>	
ii	<p>Earn Community Website Development - Nil</p>	
12.	<p>Education – Nil</p>	
13.	<p>Reports</p>	
i	<p>Community Policing - No police present</p> <p>Members of the public advised to contact the Police on 101 if they see anything that is of concern.</p>	
ii	<p>Community News - Nil</p>	
iii	<p>Facebook - Nil</p>	
iv	<p>Community Action Plan (CAP)</p> <p>JB/JS had a zoom meeting with C Roxburghe, STAR Developments to discuss information and seek an appropriate way forward. Following on from this meeting the decision to with-hold from this project at present due to further funding being released later this year which may allow communities to take a more independent approach for CAP.</p>	<p>JS/ JB</p>
v	<p>Community Ownership Support Service/ DTAS – JS attended webinar organized by this service (webinar slides shared with ECC). As a result of this Victory Park Trustees are now engaging to investigate the updating of the legal aspect of community ownership safe guarding the future of this community owned land within Bridge of Earn. Likewise, the Institute is being invited to look and (if needs be) update legal ownership. Ongoing</p>	<p>JS</p>

vi	<p>Community Initiatives</p> <p>Almond Earn Stronger Communities - Next Meeting 24th February @ 10 am. JS receives community updates/posters, all available on the Earn community web page under the Covid-19 tab.</p>	JS
vii	<p>Grit Bins</p> <p>AM Losty, Forteviot emailed P&KC in relation to there being no grit bins in Forteviot (the one that was in situ at the school had been removed when it closed) see response as below;</p> <p><i>Please see the below extract from the current policy as approved by Committee.</i></p> <p><i>2.28 The Council currently provides in excess of 1300 grit bins. This large number reflects the Council's desire to encourage self-help and the decision not to treat some minor roads routinely. The Council is currently at saturation point where we can service and replenish these containers within our current resources. Therefore, any request for additional grit bins will require to be offset by relocating another grit bin which, from experience, has shown to be little used. Grit bins are generally provided on steep gradients, tight bends, and steps or, in some special cases, where there is a specific community need. They are normally not provided on routes which are treated routinely. Grit bins will generally be filled with a salt/sand mixture, but when salt conservation measures are required, will be filled with grit sand only.</i></p> <p><i>Unfortunately the Council are not able to accept any requests which would increase the current stock levels.</i></p> <p>Whilst this is all good and informative information in relation to grit bins it did not identify the lack of grit bin in Forteviot.</p> <p>Cllr Illingworth was able to inform the meeting that grit bins are allocated based on category of the road ie Forteviot being a grade B1 would not qualify as this road is on the pre-requisite list for gritting.</p> <p>JB raised the question at the meeting whether grit bins are situated at the most useful places and suitable location within our communities. This is something to be reflected upon and addressed when we are given the annual chance to share our considerations with regards to winter maintenance of our roads and streets. - Ongoing</p>	As this is
14.	Community Councillors Reports	
i	Forteviot – Potholes	
ii	<p>Forgandenny</p> <p>PV – Potholes deep & dangerous for drivers, on the straight leaving Forgandenny</p>	
iii	Bridge of Earn - Nil	
iv	Craigend	

v	Dron – Potholes, concern over the recent road surface that had been laid in the Aberargie/Crossgate area which has now broken up following the recent severe cold weather									
vi	Aberdalgie - Nil									
vii	Oudendarde - Nil									
15.	<p>Community Councillors Reports</p> <p>Cllr Baird informed the meeting of impending decision on Council Tax Rates for 2021/22, a budget plan will follow.</p> <p>Other ongoing work revolved much around Potholes, Road related issues and ongoing cause/effect of Covid-19.</p> <p>Almond Earn By Election Thursday 25th March 2021</p>									
16.	Wind Farms									
i	<p>Lochelbank Windpower Community Fund</p> <p>Fund Support Facilitator - Catherine Francis, Foundation Scotland</p> <p>Lochelbank Panel Important Dates 2021</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Application Deadline</th> <th>Panel Meetings</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>21st January</td> <td>Wednesday 24th March</td> </tr> <tr> <td>23rd June</td> <td>“ 25th August</td> </tr> <tr> <td>29th September</td> <td>“ 1st December</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/lochelbank/</p> <p>Microgrant Balance – £1253.97</p> <p>Microgrant Application – Nil</p>	Application Deadline	Panel Meetings	21 st January	Wednesday 24 th March	23 rd June	“ 25 th August	29 th September	“ 1 st December	
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ii	<p>Binn Wind Project at the Binn Eco Park, Glenfarg – Greencat</p> <p>Ongoing</p>									
17.	AOCB									

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