EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

**Minute of meeting held on Monday 28th March 2022,**

**held via zoom 6.30 pm**

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| **1. Present:** | J Bruce, D Johnston, AM Losty, J McKenzie, J Sloan, P Vallot (acting Chair) |
| **PKC Councillors** | Cllr K Baird, Cllr D Illingworth |
| **Attending public** | One |
| **2. Apologies:** | E Law, J Thomson, Cllr F Smith |
| **3.Declaration of Interest** | Nil |

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| 4. **(a) Adoption of Minute** | |  | | | 28th February 2022 | |
| **Proposed**: | J McKenzie | | **Seconded:** | A M Losty | |  |

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| **5.** | **Matters Arising** |
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| **6.** | **Treasurers Report** |
|  | **General Fund** – £470.43 |
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| **7.** | **Covid-19 – KB** commented that schools within P&KC having slight operational issues due to high Covid related cases. |

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| **8.** | **Health –** ECC sent an email (7th March 2022) to Ms J Pepper, Interim Chief Officer HSCP, welcoming her to post with a suggested invitation to meet with ECC to continue ongoing conversation in relation to Health matters within the area, continuing the work of her predecessor G Paterson. |  |
| **9.** | **Infrastructure** |  |
| **i** | **Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust** – Active Travel Path Bridge of Earn to Newburgh  Phase 1 – Section 1A – Consultation Road Humps (Scotland) 1998  B Strachan, PKCT notified via email (14th March 2022) that the proposed road hump had been unanimously approved by PKC’s Environment & Infrastructure Committee. |  |
| **ii** | **Community Resilience** – Forgandenny Village Hall working on using the village hall as a resilience centre for the community, and more imminently for Ukraine refuge centre. | **PV** |
| **iv** | **Temporary 20 mph Speed Limit Consultation - Ongoing** |  |
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| **v** | **Fly Tipping** – Earn Ward continues to be plagued with fly tipping particular on the border with Fife. To this effect contact will be made with Fife Council Environmental Dept. to raise awareness of incidents occurring. P&KC, Police and M Fraser MSP will be copied into correspondence. | **JB/JS** |
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| **vi** | **Road Safety - Bridge of Earn A912/Station Road/Co-op**  . |  |
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| **10.** | **Ecology**  Ash Tree Dieback **–** This is an area of concern for our ward, difficulty in finding contractors willing to take contracts on in the removal due to the dangerous inherent nature of felling trees that have died from the root. |  |
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| **11.**  **i**  **ii**  **iii**  **iv** | **Planning**  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 Lamberkine Farm Perth – Awaiting application  Site H14 Local Development Plan – Old Edinburgh Road/The Meadows, Bridge of Earn – Public consultation to be held on Thursday 31st March in The Institute, Bridge of Earn between 2.30 pm – 6.30pm. Information circulated via facebook, noticeboard and press.  21/02275/FLL P9 - Almond and Earn Formation of a footpath, installation of drainage and associated works at Access Road Off A912 At The Oudenarde Roundabout North Bridge Of Earn Perth And Kinross for Perth And Kinross Community Trust c/o Transport Planning And Engineering – Active Travel Path Section 1C – **9th March 2022 Withdrawn** |  |
| **12.**  **i** | **Administration**  **ECC Correspondence**   1. **Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders –** all shared via ECC facebook 2. Story Project Strathearn – email circulated, information to be shared with appropriate groups’, individuals etc across the ward as considered appropriate with ECC members. 3. Green Lane Association – Emailed shared 4. London Hearts – Grants for Defibrillators – emailed shared – £300.00 Grant available on application |  |
| **ii** | **Earn Community Website - Nil** |  |
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| **13.** | **Education** – Nil |  |
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| **14.** | **Reports** |  |
| **i** | **Community Police** – PC A Mitchinson, intimated via email that she is moving onto a new position within Police Scotland. JB had responded via email to thank her for her work and participation with ECC in her role as Community Officer, ECC will follow with a card. | **JS** |
| **ii** | **Community News – JM** reported that Brig in Bloom willing to support initiate to plant a tree on land at A912 junction with Rhynd Road, awaiting a reply in principle. |  |
| **iii** | **Facebook** - Nil |  |
| **vi** | **Community Initiatives** **Victory Park – Playpark Refurbishment** – Ongoing |  |
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| **viii** | **Almond Earn Stronger Communities –** No date for next meeting. |  |
| **15.** | **Community Councillors Reports** |  |
| **i** | **Forteviot**   1. SATURDAY 2nd APRIL - provision of refreshments for the Scottish Cycling Tour at Forteviot Village Hall. 2. SUNDAY 5th June - plans now in progress for the ‘Platinum Picnic’ to commemorate the Queen’s Jubilee. | **AML** |
| **ii** | **Forgandenny**  Forgandenny Church – Community would like to consider options should this church be closed.  Rossie on the Earn – 20mph signs enroute to venue - Ongoing |  |
| **iii** | **Bridge of Earn** - Nil |  |
| **Iv** | **Craigend**  Deterioating road surface at Horsemill (A912) | **DJ** |
| **v** | **Dron** - Nil |  |
| **vi** | **Aberdalgie** |  |
| **vii** | **Oudenarde** – Nil |  |
| **16.** | **PKC Councillors -** Nil |  |
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| **17.** | **Wind Farms** |  |
| **i** | **RWE Lochelbank Windpower Community Fund –**  **Administrator–**R Goater, the new Foundation Scotland, Fund Administrator.  First funding round for 2022, closed 23rd February with the panel meeting to consider applications late April 2022.  **RWE Lochelbank Panel Important Dates 2022**  **Application Deadline Panel Meetings**  23rd February 2022 26th April 2022  22nd June 2022 24th August 2022  28th September 2022 30th November 2022  **Microgrant Balance** – £2093.97 (£1003.97 ECC microgrant fund)  **Microgrant Application -** Nil  **Covid Recovery Funding (CRF)** – Maybe extended following deadline of 31st December    Applications received to date of this meeting include;     * RVS Bridge of Earn Lunch Club * Brig in Bloom |  |
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| **ii** | **Binn Wind Project at the Binn Eco Park, Glenfarg – Greencat**  Discussions emerging from Covid re the community ownership involvement with this project. |  |
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| **18.** | **AOCB**  **Forteviot Phone Box** – **JT** to be asked to look at the phone box with the view to identifing any need of refurbishment ie painted, repairs. Strathearn Stone & Timber, Forteviot are interested in being involved with this local project. | **PV/JT** |

**Date of Next Meeting: Monday 25th April 2022 at 6.30pm**