EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

Minute of meeting held on Monday 23rd January 2023,

The Institute, Bridge of Earn at 6.30 pm

1. Present:		J Bruce, D Johnston, AM Losty, J McKenzie, J Sloan, P Vallot						
PKC Councillors			Cllr D Illingworth,					
Attending public			Nil					
2. Apologies: 3.Declaration of Interest			T Kearns, Cllr M Frampton, Cllr F Smith Nil					
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Propo	sed:	P Vallot			Seconded:	A M Losty		
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5.	Matt	Matters Arising						
		E Lochelba r			for Oudenarde	e to Perth Pantomime.		
6.	Trea	surers Rep	oort					
	Gen	eral Fund –	- £506.60)				
7.	EGN	I - Outstand	ling matte	ers				
	mee	Dates for 2023 – Agreed – Fourth Monday of every month (exception December – no meeting). ECC agreed to facilitate meeting in Forteviot Village Hall - June 2023 and Forgandenny - July 2023.						
		Chair JB and elected members signed constitutional documents as provided by P&KC. Cllr D Illingworth to return signed documentation to P&KC Community Council Team.						

8. Health

		Action
i	GP/Health Hub	
	Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023-2026 - Consultative process	
	PV to date has had no contact with Primary Care Strategic Lead (Lisa Milligan) and the Locality manager for the BoE area (Tia Dixon) who have been appointed to carry out a scoping exercise in relation to the consultative process as part of the Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023-2026. PV will make further enquiries via email to Dr H Dougal.	PV
	PV intimated a model case study that had operated in Govan in relation to new ideas - Ongoing	
ii	Almond Earn Stronger Communities	
	Online monthly magazine posted on ECC facebook.	
	Report on meeting: Thursday 19 th January 2023	
	Two speakers led the meeting reporting on:	
	Oudenarde Community Garden, by Cath Latham	
	Citizen's Advice Bureau – Referral Initiatives by Michele Gray	
	Other reports included;	
	Minor Injuries Unit – N Lindsay AESC administrator advised of forthcoming addition of minor injuries unit for the area (Bridge of Earn Based)	
	Cosy Places – Operating in Abernethy, Bridge of Earn (Dunbarney Church & Mother & Toddlers) and Methven (Drop in at the local pub)	
	What's On – Suggestion to raise a 'What's On', detailing What's on/Where/When and who to contact.	
9.	Infrastructure	
i	Flooding Significant dates of flooding for Earn ward recorded as; 2022 - 8 th September, 19 th November, 30 th December 2023 - 11 th January	

ii	Back Street/Bridge of Earn – Awaiting CCTV survey of drainage systems. ECC contacted R Stewart, Flooding Engineer, P&KC to ask if a date for the work had been programmed – Ongoing.	
ii	Community Resilience	
	Forgandenny – Ongoing	
	Earn Ward – This is a project that will be discussed further going into 2023.	
	Defibrillators - As part of this the Chair would like to see more defibrillators dispersed over the Earn Ward - Ongoing	
iii	Victory Park - Nil	
10.	Ecology –	
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	Moncrieffe Hill – Ash tree Dieback – Felling in operation	
	Beavers – Deich Burn. Following a report in the local press JB has contacted P&KC Greenspace Officer to look at the damage being caused to this area due to beaver activity.	JB
	JB also reported concern of evidence of sewage leakage into the burn, which has been reported to Scottish Water.	
11.	Planning	
i	22/00817/FLM - Erection of 110 dwelling houses, associated infrastructure, access, SUDS and landscaping, Site Land 150 Metres South West of Kintillo Cemetery (h14), Bridge of Earn – ECC comments submitted to Development Management on 12 th August 2022	
	Amended Masterplan – Inquiry to the recent changes being proposed in relation to amended plans for site H14. ECC not advised of date to allow for comment only advised of a public notice to be placed in local press. Some but not all residents appear to have been notified.	
ii	West Coast Estates – Broxden (all online)	
	Proposal (Pre-Application Consultation) for new business park at Broxden. Comments no later than 2 nd February 2023 (all online).	ALL
12.	Administration	
i	ECC Correspondence (shared with ECC members via email prior to the meeting)	
	General community information shared via ECC & Forgandenny facebook pages (Noticeboards)	
	Correspondence Noted;	

	Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) - Bridge of Earn – A member of the community raised concern that the VAS sign has been non-operative for some time. Ward Cllr D III will look into this matter.	CIIrD III
	Brunt Hill Wind Farm – Scoping information document – ECC no response at this time.	
	Volunteering – Giant Hogweed Training (shared in ECC facebook).	
	Strathallan Canoe Club – Report of vandalism of canoe slalom equipment.	
	Kintillo Tree Felling (Greenspace) – JB reported the tree is in need off felling as proposed by Greenspace.	
	Community Councillors Code – as per Standards Commission information circulated by P&KC Community Council Team.	
13.	Education - Cllr D III reported;	
	Headteacher Dunbarney PS – Ms L Kelly appointed (former Headteacher Forgandenny PS) following retirement of Mrs M F Mitchell at December 2022.	
	Headteacher Forgandenny PS - appointment will follow in due course.	
14.	Reports	
i	Community Policing	
	Police Report - circulated prior to meeting via email - Higher than usual crime reported for the area noted by ECC as a cause for concern.	
	Community Policing Team more active along with the Youth Response team due to anti-social behavior occurring within Bridge of Earn.	
	Need to contact the police locally - call 101 and ask for Constable Samson.	
ii	Community News	
	Caledonia Housing Association – Community Garden Project – Nil	
iii	Gala Day – Proposed for 17 th June 2023 (Alternative 19 th August)	
	JB self-nominated to act as compliance officer for this event.	
iv.	Congratulations – Chair JB congratulated ECC member D Johnston for his longstanding appointment to ECC.	
15.	Community Councillors Reports	

i Forteviot					
a. The annual 'Tea & Carols' event – This was held in the Village Hall on Sunday 11th December. Unfortunately, poor weather affected attendance on what was a very enjoyable afternoon.					
b. Theft - Over New Year, two cars were stolen from a property at Wester Cairnie. (Police also reported suspicious activity elsewhere in the area at the time as contained within the Police Report).					
ii Forgandenny					
a. Theft – Reported at Strathallan (as contained within the Police Report)					
b. Primary School Speeding Project – This reported that 70% of vehicles speeding as they journey through the village.					
c. Community Film Nights (Monthly).					
d. Forgandenny Church – Community interested in leading a community buyout.					
iii Bridge of Earn					
Community Cosy Spaces – Dunbarney Church/Community are looking at different ways to deliver projects in and around Bridge of Earn.					
iv Craigend					
A912/Perth - DJ reported water continues to flood the A912 entering Perth, with water crossing the carriageway as water comes down from the quarry.					
v Dron - Nil					
vi Aberdalgie - Nil					
vii Oudenarde - Nil					
16. PKC Councillors –					
Cllr D Illingworth, difficult decisions in forthcoming P&KC Budget					
17. Wind Farms					
RWE Lochelbank Windpower Community Fund (view RWE Lochelbank Windfarm online for more information).					
JS - Report on Panel meeting Wednesday 29 th November (Zoom)					
Applications/Decisions	Applications/Decisions				

- Glenfarg Tennis Club Junior Tennis Coaching over the winter Approved
- Glenfarg Community Centre to purchase & install flooring for the newly renovated premise - Pending
- Oudenarde Community –Pantomime trip (inc cost of transport) Approved

Microgrant Applications –It was agreed by the panel that the limit for microgrants should change from *up to £250.00* to *up to £350.00* for Earn and Glenfarg wards.

RWE Lochelbank Windfarm Fund Value—this was shared with ECC members.

Panel Recruitment 2023

Panel requires replacement for Earn Community representative (S Williams) and for CC representative (J Sloan). Recruitment information for community representative is due to commence across Earn ward, with a deadline for application being 27th February 2023. Information to be circulated via social media, noticeboards etc.

ECC Representative - JM has agreed to represent ECC at Lochelbank Panel going forward.

JB shared a suggested poster for sharing to re-advertise Microgrants, with a suggestion to devise a generic email address going forward for this purpose. **JS/JM** will look into this.

Proposed Dates for 2023

JS/JM

Application Deadline	Lochelbank Fund Panel Meeting Date
Wednesday 22 nd February 2023	Tuesday 25 th April 2023
Tuesday 20th June 2023	Tuesday 22 nd August 2023
Tuesday 26th September 2023	Tuesday 28th November 2023

Microgrant Application - Nil

Microgrant Balance – £785.30 (£500.00 outstanding for Covid Relief Fund to BEST, **JS** will contact the group to resolve this matter)

Binn Wind Turbine Community Benefit Scheme - Nil

18. AOCB - Nil

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Date of Next Meeting: Monday 27th February 2023 at 6.30pm
The Institute, Bridge of Earn