EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

Minute of meeting held on Monday 22nd January 2024,

The Institute, Bridge of Earn, at 6.30 pm

1.	Present				Action
	J Bruce, D Johnstor	n, T Kearns, AM Losty	, J McKenzie, J Sloai	n	
	PKC Councillors:	Cllr D Illingworth			
	Members of Public	: - Three			
2.	Apologies: P Vallo	t, Cllr M Frampton, Cll	r F Smith,		
3.	Declaration of Inte	rest - Nil			
4.	•	e 20 th November 2023			
	Proposed	J McKenzie	Seconded	AM Losty	
5.	Matters Arising				
5.	Nil				
i	-	natters arising a public am, (voluntary arm of	•		
	service, charities, and compassion in action locally include proving with warm kits and locally schools with family packs. Last year the service during the s PKAVS Young Care	(RRT) I Rapid Relief Team (Ind organisations in Perin and supporting com ding the fire service w Family Food Boxes, the Food Boxes, Smart breat y supported the emerination tormy weather and also sers Christmas Extravation F	rth and the surroundi munities in need. Ex ith a catering service ey have also support eakfast bars, and Ea gency services with h to provided an end-of aganza in December.	ing area providing camples of their work , homeless charities ted many primary rly Bird Learning not food catering f-year meal at the	
	Ukraine by deliverin	g a total of 400,000 Fe	ood Boxes to those d	isplaced.	

6.	Treasurers Report	
	General Fund £2670.10 (£2000.00 CiF bus shelter funding) £52.80 cheques outstanding Actual Balance £2617.30	
7.	Health	
i	GP/Health Hub	
	Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023-2026 - Consultative process	
	Healthcare Survey	
	See status of Healthcare Survey under Almond Earn Stronger Communities.	PV
ii	Almond Earn Stronger Communities –18th January 2023 – 10am - noon	
	Objective: Bringing community groups and individuals together with services to share what is happening in the community and strengthen how we work together to support local people.	
	 Main agenda item was based on Bridge of Earn Health & Care Needs Assessment Survey Update. 	
	Lisa Milligan, NHS Primary Care Service Manager gave an overview of the survey status to date.	
	 600 responses – a brief statistical account was verbally shared along with the recurring key themes based on; Access to GP Waiting times Travel Lack of face to face 	
	All information has been analysed independently by List Scotland with a report received at the end of 2023. Next step, executive group to meet to formalise draft report. Once complete the report will be made public.	
	Q - What is the purpose and where will this report feed into?	
	The final report will feed into Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023- 2026 - Consultative process for consideration to be given to the health & care needs of our locality – and potentially inclusive of south/east Perthshire communities.	
	Outcomes to date - There have been some background actions made as a result of an initial assessment and comments from previous meeting held in May 2023.	
	b. Action Plan: Tia Dixon, South Locality Manager Adult Health	
	Build and promote services in the area however limited by buildings	

	Q – What has happened to 70's health review? T Dickson, will look into this question.	
	c. Bridge of Earn Community Hub Update: Sharon Sime, Senior Charge Nurse BofE Treatment Centre	
	Clinics held in BoE Tues/Thurs. Presently, offering wound care/blood testing/ chronic disease monitoring, ear irrigation (all arranged through your GP). Admission that some GP surgeries not so compliant with service on offer at BoE. Going forward hopeful to offer Diagnostic team for ECG's & Mental Health team	
	d. Support Drop-In: Shona Fowler, NHS Healthy Communities Worker	
	Advisory drop in being planned to aid benefit support forms, blue badge applications & social prescribing from BofE Community Hub	
	 Discussion took place in regards to number of public v PKC attendees at the Almond & Earn Stronger Communities meetings. 	
	Q – How could we encourage more of the community to attend Almond Earn Stronger Communities meeting?	
	3. Other items on the agenda included presentations on;	
	P&KC Community Learning & Development Update	
	 Care Opinion Scotland, an online platform where you can share your experience of health and care services. 	
iii	Perth & Kinross Warm Welcome Fund October 23 - March 2024	
	Information poster details FREE Warm welcome activities across the ward. Advertised via facebook, ECC noticeboard etc	
	January Concert, Thursday 25 th to be held in Dunbarney Church, 1.30pm – FREE March Concert, Thursday 14 th March, Dunbarney Church, 1.30 pm - FREE	
8.	Infrastructure	
i	Flooding (Earn Ward)	
	Dates/Rainfall/affected areas - Bridge of Earn and Forgandenny.	
	• 27 th December Storm Gerrit 31.5mm	
	Kintillo F/Ball Ditch inspected - full of water - needing cleaned Elm Court, Kintillo Road – Bus Stop/Phone Exchange Kintillo Road Entrance	
	Old Edinburgh Road - Railway Bridge Sealsbridge	
	Kintillo Road/Kilgraston Entrance	
	Heughfield Road/Strathardle/Oaklee/Erochy Victory Park - behind hedge and Car Park flooded Oudenarde Flooded	
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Dron Burn - Bridge full to neck High Tide due 4pm - 4 am A913 - Aberargie/Abernethy Rd flooded -Pavement heightened/creating dam wall no culvert or gullie to reduce height of water. A912 - JB cleared gullies opposite West Gate Moncreiffe House, Beech tree leaves	
***A912, Moncrieffe West, Car Accident has occurred due to water lying here	
 21st January Storm Isha – 20 mm Rainfall 	
No main issues reported, other than general flooding	
Request for a Safe Action Plan to allow for pumping of water away from flooded areas in Bridge of Earn	
An email (2 nd Jan 2024) was sent on behalf of the community to P&KC Flooding Structure Team/ local councillors and SEPA raising the question whether a 'safe action plan' could be documented to allow for the emergency services to pump water away from Sealsbridge area. This request followed 'inaction' by the emergency services unsure where water could be safely pumped during a recent rainfall event.	
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Defibrillators – JB/PV still working on issues surrounding installation at Forgandenny Village Hall.	JB/PV
Wicks O Baigle Road – Defib has been installed by Catalyst at entrance to premises.	
Victory Park – Works planned for 2024	
Bus Shelter – Ember Stop A912 – ECC was awarded £2000.00 for this project (12mths hold on grant) from the P&KC Community investment Fund. ECC has made a further application for funding via Green Living Fund (<i>see item 11 Administration</i>).	
Sustrans in partnership with P&KC – Bike shelter Ember Bus Stop – Awaiting funding	
Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust - Active Travel Project – Bridge of Earn to Newburgh	
PKCT Newsletter 8 provides an update on the project to date;	
Phase 1B Bridge of Earn Community Woodland to west of Oudenarde Roundabout	
Permissions from Transport Scotland and Amey Highways were finally secured in December 2023 and the phase was put out to tender. Tayside Contracts are the appointed contractor and construction work commenced on 15th January 2024. Site works are at the southeastern side of Bridge of Earn, from the community woodland, across the slip roads section of the M90 Junction 9 to just west of the Oudenarde roundabout. Tayside Contracts plan to complete the upgrade of the existing footway to active travel standard by mid-March, weather dependent.	
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	Phase 1A Bridge of Earn: Road Safety Audit Results	
	The Road Safety Audit Stage 3 was conducted in the autumn of 2023 following completion of Phase 1A and its results are being reviewed. As expected, the junction alterations are requiring the area to be used in a slower, safer manner. To assist in this and with the occasional unsatisfactory driving behaviour at the Wicks O'Baiglie junction the area in that location is being looked at again to assist larger vehicle movements.	
	Phase 1C Baiglie Straight	
	The designs for Phase 1C, have been modified to include planning conditions and shall be endorsed by PKC Roads Maintenance Partnership before conversations with the landowners adjacent to the hedge will take place, hopefully before the end of March 2024.	
	Phase 2A Glenfoot Junction to Jamesfield Junction via Abernethy	
	Continuing on with the support received from different parts of the community, a drop-in session is now planned for 22nd February in Abernethy village hall from 14.00 until 19.00. Everyone will be welcome to come in, view the proposed designs and route and give their feedback.	
	Phase 2B – Jamesfield Junction to Newburgh	
	Due to the potential of external funding and the increased input from Fife Council, this route is being reassessed. Fife Council have commenced community consultation and TP&E have completed surveying and have commissioned topographical surveys of the woodland area, both within the Mugdrum Estate and south of the A913.	
	Action	
	• Phase 1A Bridge of Earn: Road Safety Audit Results – ECC to make a request to engage with PKCT & P&KC in regards to any planned changes going forward as a result of the road safety audit stage 3.	JS
9.	Ecology	
	Dupplin Estate Thinning Licence Consultation – As a local stakeholder ECC has received correspondence as part of the consultative process for the thinning operation proposals within Dupplin Estate, Perthshire. Tilhill are consulting the local community council as part of the requirement of the Scottish Forestry Felling Permission process.	
10.	Planning	
i	Craighead Wind Farm	
	Proposal of Application Notice (PAN) 15 th November, Dunning.	
	Second Public Consultation Events	
	Tuesday 23 rd January Carnbo Community Hall – 3.30 – 7.30pm Wednesday 24 th January Dunning Village Hall – 3.30 – 7.30pm	

	Eight turbines are proposed 3 will operate at 180m height & 5 at 200m leading to a reduction in the visual impact.	
	Planning application hoped to be submitted to PKC in early 2024 - power output of 48MW therefore less than the 50MW threshold for Scottish Govt. applications. Decision hoped by 2025.	
ii	Brunt Hill Wind Farm - Email received (13/10/23) informing ECC that the application will be formally submitted around the end of November (but there is a chance it could be early next year)	
iii	23/00144/AMM Erection of 29 dwellinghouses, 11 detached garages, landscaping, and associated infrastructure (approval of matters specified in conditions of 02/01482/IPM) Land to The North of A912 At Oudenarde Bridge of Earn	
	23/00145/AMM - Erection of 20 dwellinghouses, 4 detached garages, landscaping, and associated infrastructure (approval of matters specified in conditions 02/1482/IPM) Land to The North of A912 At Oudenarde Bridge of Earn	
	23/00146/AMM - Erection of 17 dwellinghouses, 7 detached garages, landscaping, and associated works (approval of matters specified in conditions02/01482/IPM) Land to The North of A912 At Oudenarde Bridge of Earn	
	23/00144/AMM23/00145/AMM23/00146/AMM – APPROVED on 10 th January 2024. ECC made a deputation based on concerns for surface flooding due to the nature of the silty soil; lack of infrastructure first approach ie Bridge/Interlink Distributor Road, School & Health.	
iv	23/01721/AML - Erection of a dwellinghouse (approval of matters specified in conditions of 22/00015/IPL) at Land 30 Metres East of Orchard Seat Forgandenny Road Bridge of Earn - 02-Dec-23	JB
v	22/00817/FLM - Erection of 110 dwelling houses, associated infrastructure, access, SUDS and landscaping, Site Land 150 Metres Southwest of Kintillo Cemetery (h14), Bridge of Earn – Complaint ongoing	
vi	23/02015/IPL - Erection of a dwellinghouse (in principle) Land 15 Metres North Of 27 Dunbarney Avenue Bridge Of Earn Perth PH2 9BP – No Comment	
vii	24/00042/FLL Change of use and alterations to medical practice (Class 1A) to form 2 flats at Bridge Of Earn Surgery Main Street Bridge Of Earn Perth PH2 9PL – 17 th Feb 2024 – No Comment	
	(The following are adjacent planning applications to Earn Ward)	
viii	23/00192/FLL Change of use of vacant land to form EV charging hub and hydrogen refueling station including provision of amenity kiosk, charging apparatus and associated works Land 60 Metres West Of 5 Broxden Avenue Perth Ph2 0px	
	23/00193/FLL Erection of office building (class 4) and two cafe/restaurant units (class 3) with drive through facilities, car parking, landscaping, and associated works Land 100 Metres Southwest of 5 Broxden Avenue Perth PH2 0PX	
	23/00504/FLM Mixed use development comprising erection of 3 café/restaurant units (Class 3) with drive thru facilities, business units (Class 4), electric vehicle charging hub and formation of vehicular access, parking areas, landscaping, and associated works Site Land 90 Metres South Of 5 Broxden Avenue Broxden Avenue Perth	

ix		Planning Training – Awaiting dates from P&KC – Cllr Illingworth to to that ECC would like training for community council on matters pertaining ning.	Cllr illing
11.	Admin	istration	
i	ECC C	orrespondence (shared with ECC members via email prior to the meeting)	
		al community information shared via ECC & Forgandenny facebook pages boards)	
	Corres	pondence Noted;	
	a.	Green Living Fund - Participatory Budget – (£23,899.00)	
		Applications are now being reviewed and approved proposals will then go to a voting stage by the local community due to commence on 12 th February.	
		Applications for Almond & Earn.	
		Earn Community Council – Bridge of Earn Project – Funding to deliver a bus shelter at the A912, Ember stop facilitating an all-electric Inter City bus service for the wider community.	
		Dunbarney & Forgandenny Parish Church – Bridge of Earn Project - A Greener Flexible Space for the Community – Installation of air source heat pump in the refurbishment of the church sanctuary to create a new flexible space available for the wider community.	
		Green Shoots Community and Learning Centre - Aberdalgie Project - To facilitate a project called Countryside Climate Champions	
	b.	Youth Tour Scotland 2024 – 5th – 8th April 2024	
		Correspondence received regarding this event returning to our area, taking place in and around Forgandenny & Forteviot.	AML/P\
		AML in contact with organisers to see if on the 6th April, a short window of time could be given to Forteviot residents to leave/return to their homes in between the races - the roads will be closed between 8.00a.m. & 5.00p.m.	
	C.	Community Councils webinar with Open University Scotland - Thursday 18th January 2024 6-7pm. Skills Support for Community Councils from the Open University in Scotland. AML & JM attended.	
	d.	Planning Democracy (email 02/01/24)) – RAMPS Tool – A website for keeping track of planning applications as they are processed by the Local authority. JS has signed up earn secretary email address for this planning tool.	
	e.	My Place Awards 2024 - The Scottish Civic Trust My Place Awards celebrate projects and people that work to improve places and communities in Scotland. Entries to the My Place Awards 2024 can be made via the <u>My Place Scotland website</u> . The deadline for entries is 14 January 2024.	
	f.	AMEY - Road Work programme shared for next 3 months 2024 – no majors concerns in within our ward.	

	g.	Scottish Water – Dunbarney Gait – progress being made in Scottish Water taking ownership of pumps.	
	Local	Community Events shared via facebook pages and local noticeboards	
ii	Compl	liance	
12.	Educa	tion	
13.	Report	ts	
i	Comm meetin	nunity Policing – No police present, as notified by email prior to the g.	
		Report – This was received prior to the meeting and circulated to all ers. Noted crime and traffic statistics for the area.	
	Vanda	lism continues to be a concern within Bridge of Earn, noted in Police Report.	
	Conta	ct Community Wardens: 01738 476173	
	Need t	o contact the police	
	Comm	nunity Police Contact Details for sharing:	
	to con t	I you have any questions or any issues you wish to address please feel free tact us by calling 101 (report any youths or other suspect persons) and for Constable Samson and he will endeavour to get back to you as soon as le.	
	Alterna	atively, email:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk	
	that be related Interve	I you wish to receive crime prevention advice for your premises, whether physical security, CCTV, secure key storage options or anything else to keeping your premises safe, please contact our Partnerships, entions and Preventions Department by email at epreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk	
ii	Report	t of Meetings	
	a.	P&KC Development Forum	
		<u>Provisional date for next meeting Planning Users Forum (PUF)</u> – 24 th April 2024.	
		JB forwarded an email (28/11/23) from P Williamson, P&KC Development Management following the P&KC PUF meeting, containing a link to Aberdeen City Council entitled 'Community Councils and Planning'.	
	b.	The Big Place Conversation – LDP3	
		Following an email to R Wills P&KC Project Manager, to determine results/timeline for The Big Place Conversation the response indicated	

	 'summary reports will be publicly available but not expecting to run consultations on the results. Community organisations will be welcome to submit any corrections/comments. ECC summary report will use original findings based on ECC Place Standard 2019. No defined timeline for these reports to be available. c. <u>Planning Aid Scotland</u> – Webinar Series (4) on Understanding Planning: Local Development Plans, NPF4 and Greenbelts – information shared with ECC members – ECC members are enrolling as per email. 	
	 Local Development Plans – 15th November 2023 (online) – slides shared following event. NPF4 How things have changed – 6th December 2023 Greenbelts and NPF4 – 17th January 2024 Have a Say in the future of your area – 31st January 2024 	
iii	Gala Day – Open Planning Meeting - Tuesday 17 th January 2024. Committee formed, Chair J Bruce, Secretary A MacNaughton Saturday 8 th June – Victory Park, Bridge of Earn	
iv	Community News Commemorative Tree Planting – Date to be arranged to view area where a tree could potentially be planted within Caledonian Homes open ground.	JS/JB
14.	Community Councillors Reports	
i	Forteviot	
	 Village Hall events included a Christmas Fair in November, Tea & Carols in December & an excellent talk on the Israeli-Palestine conflict in January. All the events were very successful & well attended. In early December, Aberdalgie & Forteviot Churches became formally linked with Dunbarney & Forgandenny Churches. The Presbytery of Perth held a service in Dunning church on Tuesday 16th January 2024, to mark the end of linkage between Aberuthven and Dunning with Aberdalgie and Forteviot and the linking of Dunbarney and Forgandenny with Aberdalgie and Forteviot. Forteviot Primary School, 'mothballed' by PKC since 2016, was sold at auction in December. 	
	 Forteviot tel. box has now had an undercoat applied. It will probably be the spring before the top coat can be added. Gigaloch broadband is now finally 'up & running' following several 	

	• Scottish Youth Cycle Tour - this will take place from 5th to 8th April 2024. The races around Forteviot village will take place on Saturday 6th April with the surrounding roads being closed from 8.00a.m. to 5.00p.m.	
ii	Forgandenny	
	Forgandenny Speeding – Email response (04/01/24) from D McKeown, P&KC Project Officer Traffic and Network, Housing and Environment in response to Strathallan School raising concerns re speed of traffic around Strathallan School entrance. The response advises that <i>"a lower speed limit covering the whole village is planned"</i> unable to provide a timeframe at present.	
iii	Bridge of Earn	
	Dunbarney School – Damage to safety barrier - remains	
	This was logged via MyPkc in August 2023. JS will email P&KC requesting further information regarding planned works for repair.	JS/CIIr III
	Dunbarney PS – Logged this via internal system (not part of school estate) – ECC in correspondence with the school.	
	Graffitti – Old Edinburgh Rd, Railway Bridge – removed promptly after contacting MyPkc	
	Christmas Lights – A discussion took place in regards to a community initiative to consider installation of Christmas lights. ECC main concern is the year on year cost associated with installation, insurance and maintenance of lights for the community going forward.	
	The Institute AGM – Wednesday 21 st February, All Welcome.	
iv	Craigend	
	A912 Flooding - Flooding of carriageway from Craigend to Bridge of Earn A912 resulting in residual water on the carriageway making for dangerous driving due to offlets being continually blocked. (recorded via MyPkc by JS)	DJ/JS
v	Dron - Nil	
vi	Aberdalgie – Linking of Aberdalgie & Forteviot Church to Dunbarney & Forgandenny Parish Church (see Forteviot)	
vii	Oudenarde - Nil	
15.	PKC Councillors - Nil	
16	Wind Forme	
16.	Wind Farms	
I	a. RWE Lochelbank Windfarm	

	Report shared via email by JM following November panel meeting. Current fund is standing at £41,122.00 - Next funds due in May 2024	
	There are payments pending to:-	
	Victory Park Development Group	
	Earn Community Council	
	14th. Perthshire Scout Group	
	Three applications were discussed:-	
	• 77th. Perthshire Scout Group (Glenfarg.)	
	Bridge of Earn Institute	
	Aberdalgie and Forteviot Church.	
	All were approved with various pre and post payment conditions.	
	Next closing date for any applications is 13th February 2024 For further information:	
	Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund	
	b. <u>Microgrant Applications</u>	
	Bridge of Earn Tennis Club – Support Tennis after school club (P7 S2 groups), provision of coaching and purchase of racquets - £250.00 - APPROVED	
	Bridge of Earn WI – Outing to Japanese Garden, Dollar. Request for assistance with cost of transport - £350.00 – APPROVED	
	Forgandenny Village Hall – Purchase of hall tables £277.81 – APPROVED	
	Forteviot Phone Box – Repair materials to be claimed – APPROVED - Awaiting invoice on completion of repair.	
	Bridge of Earn Bowling Club – Purchase of heaters for club house – £350.00 -APPROVED	
	<u>Perth Road Runners</u> – Application for hire of Portaloo's for Brig Bash Race 2024 – DECLINED	
	Forgandenny Friends – General purpose funding – More information requested	
	c. Microgrant Balance – £1227.81	
ii	Binn Wind Turbine Community Benefit Scheme - Nil	

17.	AOCB		
	a.	Sustainability Group (Windfarm Action Group) – Next meeting Tuesday 21 st November, information shared via email to ECC members.	
		Sustainability Notes/Presentation Docs 21st November 2023 Meeting shared via email 04.12.23.	
		Meeting presented of an example of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The group is being requested to review and create their own version in preparation for submitting to developers.	
	b.	ECC logo	

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 26th February 2024 at 6.30pm The Institute, Bridge of Earn