## EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

# Minute of meeting held on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2024,

### The Institute, Bridge of Earn, at 6.30 pm

1.	Present				Action
	J Bruce, D Johnston	, T Kearns, AM Losty	, J McKenzie, J Sloar	n, P Vallot,	
	PKC Councillors: Cllr D Illingworth				
	Members of Public	One			
2.	Apologies: Cllr M F	rampton, Cllr F Smith			
3.	Declaration of Interest - Nil				
4.	Adoption of Minute	22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2024			
	Proposed	T Kearns	Seconded	AM Losty	
5.	Matters Arising				
	Nil				
6.	Treasurers Report				
	General Fund £2670 £192.80 cheques ou Actual Balance £247	•	us shelter funding)		
7.	Health				
i	GP/Health Hub				
	Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023-2026 - Consultative process				
	Healthcare Survey	– Awaiting graphics f	or final report.		PV
ii	Almond Earn Stron	ger Communities –			
			had been circulated s shared via ECC face		

Get the Right Care in the Right Place Patient Leaflet for Community Care and Treatment Service (Bridge of Earn) Care Opinion poster N Lindsay, PKC, Community Engagement Worker (Bridge of Earn) plans to hold a stall at the 2024 Gala Day in Bridge of Earn. The proposed date for the next meeting is tentatively Thursday 20th June, 10am-12pm, venue TBC. General discussion re the in-balance of community representation at the Almond Earn Stronger Community meetings. 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 March Concert, Thursday 14th March, Dunbarney Church, 1.30 pm - FREE Earn Community Council wish to record thanks to all volunteers who have been involved with the delivery of Warm Welcome projects across the Earn Ward from October 2023 – March 2024, all of which have proved popular and well received by residents. Bridge of Earn Baby Toddler Group – Winter Programme Bridge of Earn Bowling Club - Wednesday club Bridge of Earn RVS - Social events Dunbarney Church Hall – provision of Cosy Space Forgandenny Hall - Forgandenny Friends Oudenarde Community Cabin - Provision of Warm Welcome Packs The collaborative community group approach towards funding provided a broad base for the sharing of ideas to come to fruition for the benefit of all ages within the community. However, more importantly is to recognise and thank all the individuals who have given of their time and expertise to deliver the variety of community projects across the Earn Ward. 8. Infrastructure

Request for a Safe Action Plan to allow for pumping of water away from

Flooding (Earn Ward)

flooded areas in Bridge of Earn

iv	Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust - Active Travel Project - Bridge of Earn to Newburgh	
V	Sustrans in partnership with P&KC – Bike shelter Ember Bus Stop – Now installed.	
	Request for these comments to be shared with P&KC Traffic & Network Management Team.	
	<ul> <li>Car parking on street must be controlled by double yellow lines within the specific distance from a junction that the Highway Code states, there should be no vehicles parked opposite to the zoned bell mouth at the Wicks o' Baiglie road junction.</li> <li>More should be done about illegal parking on the street: too many park facing the wrong direction, they should park in line with the direction of traffic, not opposite, which is extremely dangerous as there are no reflectors on the front of vehicles. Attendance after hours by traffic wardens / traffic Police should happen.</li> </ul>	
	Comments from ECC following proposed planned changes to bus box have been emailed (15th February 2024) to M Fraser, Public Transport Team:	
	The size of the current bus box does not allow the express coaches to serve the bus stop properly. Removing car parking on the approach side of the bus box will improve access to the bus stop and ensure a coach can park parallel to the kerb rather than at an angle. This is essential especially were a wheelchair user or passengers with mobility issues are boarding/alighting the vehicle.	
	Public Transport Team propose to increase the size of the bus box.	
	Bus Box (information via email 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb – shared with ECC)	
	<u>Proposal for a 3 bay cantilever design structure.</u> The position of the bus shelter would be at the kerbside. This would maintain the maximum footway width for the shared surface and give waiting passengers the best protection from any poor weather.	
	ECC was awarded £2000.00 for this project (12mths hold on grant) from the P&KC CiFund. ECC has made a further application for funding via Green Living Fund (see item 11 Administration).	
iv	Bus Shelter – Ember Stop A912	
iii	Victory Park – Works planned for 2024	
ii	<b>Defibrillators</b> – JB/PV still working on issues surrounding installation at Forgandenny. Suggestion for installation at Forgandenny Park, cost of electric connection proving prohibitive. Alternative quote to be sought for connection, AML.	JB/PV/ AML
	A912 – Bridge of Earn to Perth – Flooding - Location - large bend on leaving BoE village heading for Perth not draining and causing vehicles to encroach opposite carriageway to oncoming vehicles. – Report via MyPkc and add to ECC flooding record.	
	Cllr Illingworth is looking into the operational needs/requirements in conjunction with Back Street residents, PKC Flooding Team, and Emergency services to devise a plan.	CIIr Illing

	. Action	
	Phase 1A Bridge of Earn: Road Safety Audit Results – ECC to make a request to engage with PKCT & P&KC regarding any planned changes going forward because of the road safety audit stage 3.	
	ECC emailed Bid Strachan PKCT, stating.	JS
	"As a community we are very aware of the safety at this area in regard to the interaction of junctions and on street parking and ECC request engagement as part of any planned changes going forward as a result of the road safety audit stage 3."	
	Response from B Strachan, PKCT acknowledging ECC email and that "this is now with PKC to pick up and they will have noted our comments."	
v	Forgandenny – B935 Kinnaird Road, junction.	
	Proposal to create a bell mouth entrance to allow for easier flow of traffic. Cllr Illingworth will investigate this matter in conjunction with landowner.	CIIr III
9.	Ecology	
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10.	Planning	
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- **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 ongoing
- 23/02070/FLL Formation of an outdoor riding arena, erection of fence, installation of lighting and associated works | Land 110 Metres South East Of Coates Of Fingask Farmhouse Rhynd Perth PH2 8QH Public comments 16<sup>th</sup> February ECC commented on this application
- 23/02015/IPL Erection of a dwellinghouse (in principle) Land 15 Metres North Of
   27 Dunbarney Avenue Bridge of Earn Perth PH2 9BP Withdrawn
- **24/00079/FLL** Forteviot Primary School Forteviot Perth PH2 9BT Change of use of use from former primary school to Office/workshop/storage (classes 4 and 5) Comments 4<sup>th</sup> March

(The following are adjacent planning applications to Earn Ward)

- vii 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
- viii 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
- **P&KC Planning Training** JB has initiated communication with PK&C in matters relating to the provision for training for planning application management for CC's

#### **Scottish Forestry Consultation Request for Felling Permissions**

• Ref:FPA-11291 – Ardargie Closes 28<sup>th</sup> February – Felling operational between March-Dec 2024

Name of Wood: Ardargie Woods

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Grid Reference (of centre of principle Felling Area): NO076158
Felling Notes Softwoods have reached maturity and are being felled to protect house (9 Culteuchar Bank, Ardargie, PH2 9QR) from future windblow damage. Broadleaved species are being removed as they also present a windblow danger to the property and are unlikely to stand on their own once softwoods are removed. All felling undertaken by hand i.e. no heavy machinery on site. Timber will be stacked and left for community firewood use. Brash will be chipped onsite

 Ref:FPA-11254 - West Dron - Closes 18<sup>th</sup> March - Felling operational between Feb 1024 - Feb 2026

Name of Wood: West Dron Roadside Trees -in the interest of public road safety Grid Ref NO126158

Felling Notes. There are groups of larch throughout the compartment that are beginning to windblow. With such proximity to the public road, we think we should clear fell the compartment before the windblow is able to spread too far. There are small pockets of broadleaves within the compartment too (largely sycamore, with some birch and willow). Removing the larch will make these unstable so we are proposing these are also felled

JB

#### 11. Administration

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ECC Correspondence (shared with ECC members via email prior to the meeting)

General community information shared via ECC & Forgandenny facebook pages (Noticeboards)

#### **Correspondence Noted;**

1. Green Living Fund - Participatory Budget – (£23,899.00)

Voting commenced 12th February 2024 - Closes 1st March

#### Green Living fund Celebration Event

The event will take place at the North Inch Community Campus in Perth on Tuesday 12th March at 6pm for a 6.15pm start.

#### 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

- Scot Gov Water, Waste and Drainage Consultation Closed 21<sup>st</sup> February 2024
- 3. P&KC Funding Alerts Shared with ECC
- 4. P&KC Newsletter New
- 5. Planning Aid Webinar 6th March 2024 Navigating Local Development Plans: Insights from Local Authority Planners. Local authority planner's perspective about the new Local Development Plan process and how best to engage and understand some of the constraints that planning departments are under.
- Open University in Scotland webinar slides and recording. Email received from Scottish /community Council, with slides and recording of this webinar event held on 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024. JM & AML participated in this webinar.
- 7. SSEN Transmission Pathway to 2030 project update: Kintore Tealing 400kV projects

Online public consultation events - Community Council pre-event call

The call will be held on 29 February 7pm-8.30pm

Public events for the Kintore-Tealing 400kV projects will be held in March 2024, for our area:

Newburgh Tuesday 5 March, 2-7pm: Tayside Institute Community Centre,

	Local Community Events shared via facebook pages and local noticeboards
ii	Compliance - Nil
12.	Education - Nil
13.	Reports
i	Community Policing – No police present, as notified by email prior to the meeting.
	Police Report – This was received prior to the meeting and circulated to all members. Noted crime and traffic statistics for the area.
	Vandalism continues to be a concern within Bridge of Earn, noted in Police Report.
	Contact Community Wardens: 01738 476173
	Need to contact the police
	Community Police Contact Details for sharing:
	Should you have any questions or any issues you wish to address please feel free to <b>contact us by calling 101</b> (report any youths or other suspect persons) and asking for Constable Samson and he will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.  Alternatively, <a href="mail:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk">email:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk</a>
	Should you wish to receive crime prevention advice for your premises, whether that be physical security, CCTV, secure key storage options or anything else related to keeping your premises safe, please contact our Partnerships, Interventions and Preventions Department by email at <a href="mailto:taysidepreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk">taysidepreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk</a>
ii	Report of Meetings
	a. P&KC Development Forum  Provisional date for next meeting Planning Users Forum (PUF) – 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2024.
	b. The Big Place Conversation – LDP3 - On going
	c. <u>Planning Aid Scotland</u> – Webinar Series (4) on Understanding Planning: Local Development Plans, NPF4 and Greenbelts
	Have a Say in the future of your area – 31st January 2024 - Report
	Local Development Planning
	<ul> <li>Evidence Gathering (can include Local Place Plans) ie The Big Place Conversation by P&amp;KC</li> <li>Followed by Engagement report</li> <li>Min 12-week public consultation</li> </ul>

<ul> <li>Followed by publication with changes</li> <li>Gov Gateway Check – once passed then Local authorities can process with LDP</li> <li>Risk of place standard/local place plan not being listened to.</li> </ul>		
Gala Day – Committee formed, Chair J Bruce, Secretary A MacNaughton Saturday 8th June – Victory Park, Bridge of Earn		
Community News		
Commemorative Tree Planting – Date to be arranged to view area where a tree could potentially be planted within Caledonian Homes open ground.		
In Memory		
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Cosmos Fairbairn – Forgandenny resident, former Deputy Head, Strathallan School		
Mrs Bruce - Dron House		
. Community Councillors Reports		
Forteviot		
<ul> <li>Gigaloch has provided free WiFi to Forteviot Village Hall under its community benefit scheme for community centres &amp; churches.</li> <li>Forteviot School, bought at auction in December 2023 by Gary Bruce (GBEC) for use as an office, storage &amp; workshop facility, will trade as Jorfin Ltd. Gary Bruce has already indicated his wish to contribute to the Forteviot community.</li> <li>Village telephone box - door has now been repaired, repainted &amp; rehung as per attached photo. It will probably be late spring before the top coat can be applied to the rest of the tel.box.</li> <li>A very enjoyable &amp; informative talk was given on Sunday 25th February by the Perth based wildlife photographer, Eric McCabe, on Alaska.</li> <li>Scottish Cycle Youth Tour - roads in the vicinity of Forteviot will be closed on Saturday 6th April from 8.00a.m. to 5.00p.m. Following negotiation with Callum McNicol, the Events Officer, by AML, a short window of time has been agreed to, in principle, between the morning &amp; afternoon races so as to allow village residents to leave/return to their homes.</li> </ul>		
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	<ul> <li>A912 – Flooding, at Rossie – resolved</li> <li>Forgandenny Cosy Space – This has been well received by local residents.</li> <li>Film Night – again successful</li> <li>Rossie on the Earn – Opened their doors for live screening of Scotland via England</li> </ul>	
iii	Bridge of Earn	
	Graffiti – Reported at motorway underpass (AMEY)	
	Pothole at School entrance – Reported via MyPkc – now fixed	
	Dunbarney School – Damage to safety barrier – Repaired	
	Historical Board – Requiring attention, looking for a signwriter.	
iv	Craigend	
	<b>A912 Flooding</b> - 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. Road surface also breaking up.	
v	Dron	
	Loss of Trees - Following winter storms there has been an enormous amount of	
	storm damage due to several storms combined with a wet winter.	
	Dron Kirk – Church roof continues to deteriorate.	
vi	Aberdalgie –	
vii	Oudenarde - Nil	
15.	PKC Councillors	
	All the councillors have been very busy working on the budget which was decided on the 28th February.	Clir III
16.	Wind Farms	
I	a. RWE Lochelbank Windfarm	
	Next Panel Meeting - April 2024 for outcomes from February 2024 applications	
	Next closing date for any applications is 16th June 2024	
	For further information:	
	Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund	
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	b. <b>Microgrant Balance</b> – £1148.00	
ii	Binn Wind Turbine Community Benefit Scheme - Nil	
17.	AOCB	
	<ol> <li>Sustainability Group (Windfarm Action Group) – Draft Memorandum of Understanding and Workplan received and circulated to ECC members for review, update, or comment. No comments raised – email returned a 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 to this effect.</li> <li>ECC logo</li> </ol>	

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 6.30pm The Institute, Bridge of Earn