

EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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

Minute of meeting held on Monday 25th March 2024,

The Institute, Bridge of Earn, at 6.30 pm

1.	Present	Action				
	J Bruce, D Johnston, AM Losty, J McKenzie, J Sloan, P Vallot					
	PKC Councillors: Cllr D Illingworth					
	Members of Public: Three					
2.	Apologies: Cllr M Frampton, Cllr F Smith, T Kearns					
3.	Declaration of Interest - Nil					
4.	Adoption of Minute 26th February 2024					
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5.	Matters Arising					
	Nil					
6.	<p>Treasurers Report</p> <p>General Fund £2617.30 (£2000.00 CiF bus shelter funding) £206.66 cheques outstanding Actual Balance £2477.30</p> <p>P&KC Insurance Cover 2023 -2024 - Invoice received £65.66 – Paid Insurance documents saved to file. JS</p>					
7.	Health					
i	<p>GP/Health Hub</p> <p>Strategic Delivery Plan for P&K Primary Care 2023-2026 - Consultative process</p> <p>Healthcare Survey – PV reported that the Healthcare report and infographics are now at final stage for approval by PKC HSCP. L Milligan and her team to be thanked for all their endeavors to date.</p>	PV				

	<p>Bridge of Earn CATS (Care and Treatment Service) – formerly nurses’ station. This is being utilized by more health service options. Concern raised that it is not fit for purpose considering the demographics of the local area and future house building within the area.</p>	
ii	<p>Almond Earn Stronger Communities –</p> <p>Update notes from meeting held in January 2023 received via email at 08/03/24:</p> <p>National Social Prescribing Day Drop-In Wednesday 13th March 2pm-4pm Community Care and Treatment Centre (CCATS), Station Rd, Bridge of Earn</p> <p>Updates from most recent Almond & Earn Stronger Communities Meeting – input from the Primary Care Team:</p> <p>Action 3 re: Annual Health Checks for over 70’s There is nothing in the General Medical Services Regulations relating to any set general health reviews for patients.</p> <p>Action 11 re: registering with GP practice based on address <i>(ie. Bridge of Earn resident moved from Caledonia housing to Kintillo and told they would have to move GP practice.)</i> If someone moves address, and they are then out with their practice boundary, they will have to register with a practice who covers their address.</p> <p>Kintillo is in Bridge of Earn boundary for Drumhar Yellow, Kings Practice Glover St, Perth City MC and Taymount Surgery who all cover this area of BOE</p> <p>If a patient is new to the area or has moved address and falls out with their current practice boundary, they are free to register with any practice whose boundary covers the area in which they reside and who has an open list.</p> <p>Proposed Date for next meeting 20th June 2024 – 10am – 12 noon</p> <p>Need to engage more members of the public with AESC.</p> <p>ECC share the fortnightly publication of SWAY via the ECC facebook page (open to all) and Earn community web page.</p>	
iii	<p><u>Perth & Kinross Warm Welcome Fund October 23 - March 2024</u></p> <p>Letters of thanks have been received from Dunbarney & Forgandenny Parish Church and Bridge of Earn Baby & Toddlers following ECC following a note of appreciation to all groups involved in the Warm Welcome initiatives across our communities.</p> <p>With the P&K Warm Welcome programme coming to a close Dunbarney & Forgandenny Parish Church have collaborated to secure National Lottery funding to allow for the continuance of Warm Welcome spaces with funding received for Bridge of Earn Baby & Toddler Group, Forgandenny Friends, Wednesday Group (BoE Bowling Club), Youth Drop In and Dunbarney Church Hall Cosy Space.</p>	

8.	Infrastructure	
i	<p>Flooding</p> <p>Bridge of Earn - Request for a Safe Action Plan to allow for pumping of water away from flooded areas in Bridge of Earn</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Forgandenny – Reported by a member of the public, flooding between post box and bus shelter. Post box now sealed as water egressing the box spoiling mail. Has been reported and considered non-emergency. PV will follow this up</p>	<p>Cllr Illing</p> <p>PV</p>
ii	Defibrillators – JB/PV/AML still working on issues surrounding installation at Forgandenny. On going	JB/PV/AML
iii	Victory Park – Works planned for 2024	
iv	<p>Bus Shelter – Ember Stop A912</p> <p>ECC was awarded £6538.00 following successful participation in the Green Living Fund participatory funding scheme.</p> <p>Proposal for a 3 bay cantilever design structure. 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.</p> <p>JS has been in contact with M Fraser Public Transport Team to allow for the continuance of this project. ECC checking out the situation in relation to ownership and insurance of this bus shelter in perpetuity.</p> <p>Parking A912/Old Edinburgh Road</p> <p>Residents expressing concerns in relation to vehicles parking within the vicinity of the Ember bus stop. A blind spot has been created when exiting Old Edinburgh Road onto the A912. Cars parked too close to the give-way junction on the Old Edinburgh Road, thereby narrowing the junction and making it difficult for vehicles to turn out of and into Old Edinburgh Road on the A912.</p> <p>Information regarding parking to be forwarded to the PKC roads department.</p>	JS
v	Perth & Kinross Countryside Trust - Active Travel Project – Bridge of Earn to Newburgh – On going	
iv	<p>Historical Book – Bridge of Earn</p> <p>Potential signwriter to look at this book with a view to establishing a restorative project. If this is possible then funding would be required to deliver this project for the community of Bridge of Earn, potential funder Lochelbank Windfarm</p>	JS
iiv	Forgandenny – B935 Kinnaird Road, Junction.	

	<p>Proposal to create a bell mouth entrance to allow for easier flow of traffic.</p> <p>ECC Received an email from Cllr Illingworth (08/03/24) with the information that he has written to P&KC Roads Department in regard to proposals which could allow for creation of a bell mouth at the entrance to Kinnarid Road. On going.</p>	Cllr III
9.	Ecology	
10.	Planning	
i	<p>Craighead Wind Farm – Update presentation by.</p> <p>Alex Orr – Orbit Consultancy, MD Jason Morin – Senior Project Manager Cris Thacker – Communications Manager</p> <p>Specification</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 wind turbines • Mix of 180m and 200m blade tip heights • Generating capacity of around 48MW • Power transported to Westfield Power Station (Lochgelly) National grid will determine route/structure • Community Benefit – undefined presently, but neighbouring CC's will benefit from this proposal. Suggestion of community shared ownership as part of the possible benefits. • More info at can be found on the Craighead windfarm web page • Craigheadwindfarm.co.uk <p>Galileo hope to lodge their planning application with PKC in May/June 2024.</p>	
ii	<p>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)</p>	
iii	<p>23/02070/FLL - Formation of an outdoor riding arena, erection of fence, installation of lighting and associated works Land 110 Metres Southeast of Coates of Fingask Farmhouse Rhynd Perth PH2 8QH – Comment submitted</p>	
iv	<p>23/02015/IPL - Erection of a dwellinghouse (in principle) Land 15 Metres North Of 27 Dunbarney Avenue Bridge of Earn Perth PH2 9BP – superseded with application 24/00416/IPL see below</p>	
v	<p>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 4th March</p>	
vi	<p>24/00257/FLL- S42 to remove condition 4 (construction of pedestrian footpath) of permission 22/00194/FLL at Land 50 Metres Southeast of The Smallholding Kintillo Road Bridge of Earn – ECC Comment agreed for submission.</p>	
vii	<p>24/00321/LBC Bridge of Earn Surgery Main Street Bridge of Earn Perth PH2 9PL Alterations to medical practice (Class 1A) to form 2 flats – Comments 29th March</p>	

viii	<p>24/00416/IPL Residential development (in principle) Land 15 Metres North Of 27 Dunbarney Avenue Bridge of Earn Perth PH2 9BP (Strathnaver, Kintillo Rd) – Comments 5th April – ECC considerations to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No objection in principle to a dwelling being rebuilt on this site 2. Clarity regarding application reference 3. Drainage – surface water/sewage 4. Access and Traffic 5. Residential Amenity <p><u>(The following are adjacent planning applications to Earn Ward)</u></p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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> <p>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</p>	ALL
11. i	<p>Administration</p> <p>ECC Correspondence (shared with ECC members via email prior to the meeting)</p> <p>General community information shared via ECC & Forgandenny facebook pages (Noticeboards)</p> <p>Correspondence Noted;</p>	
	<p>a) Green Living Fund - Participatory Budget – (£23,899.00)</p> <p><u>Applications for Almond & Earn - Results</u></p> <p>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. APPROVED £6538.00</p> <p>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. APPROVED £13,000.00</p> <p>Green Shoots Community and Learning Centre - Aberdalgie Project - To facilitate a project called Countryside Climate Champions – APPROVED and received remainder of fund £4361.00</p> <p>b) Volunteer Tutoring Opportunity</p>	

	<p>Volunteer Tutors Organisation (VTO) provides free educational support to children and young people in Scotland to bridge the poverty related attainment gap. VTO has a live project supporting care experienced children in Perth and Kinross and seeking volunteers to meet the demand for our service.</p> <p>No prior tutoring experience is necessary – just a willingness to learn, grow, and support others. Info shared on ECC facebook.</p>	
	Local Community Events shared via facebook pages and local noticeboards	
ii	Compliance	
12.	Education	
13.	Reports	
i	<p>Community Policing – No police present, as notified by email prior to the meeting.</p> <p>Police Report – This was received prior to the meeting and circulated to all members. Noted crime and traffic statistics for the area.</p> <p>Vandalism continues to be a concern within Bridge of Earn, noted in Police Report.</p> <p>Contact Community Wardens: 01738 476173</p> <p>Need to contact the police</p> <p>Community Police Contact Details for sharing:</p> <p>Should you have any questions or any issues you wish to address please feel free to contact us by calling 101 (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, email:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk</p> <p>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 taysidepreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk</p>	
ii	<p>P&KC Development Forum</p> <p><u>Provisional date for next meeting Planning Users Forum (PUF)</u> Date of next meeting Wednesday 24th April 2024. 10.00-12.00 in the ICT Rooms, North Inch Community Campus</p> <p>Survey request to to seek views around format, frequency and topics for discussion going forward – ECC to engage and respond.</p>	ALL

iii	<u>The Big Place Conversation – LDP3</u> - On going	
iv	<p><u>Planning Aid Scotland</u></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Email 14th March 2024: Links to watch winter series of webinars.</p> <p>All the above information shared via email prior to meeting.</p>	
v	Commemorative Tree Planting – Date to be arranged to view area where a tree could potentially be planted within Caledonian Homes open ground.	
vi	Forteviot Phone Box – See Forteviot report 14 (i)	
vii	Gala Day – Saturday 8 th June – Victory Park, Bridge of Earn	
viii	Community News - Nil	
14.	Community Councillors Reports	
i	<p>Forteviot</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Village tel. box - repair now complete with top coat of paint having been applied as per attached photo. Invoice for materials sent earlier to ECC from 'Stone & Timber' for payment using microgrant. • Forteviot Village Hall - microgrant application submitted for additional planters. • Scottish Cycle Youth Tour - roads in the vicinity of Forteviot to be closed on Saturday 6th April from 8.00a.m. to 5.00p.m. Following negotiation by AML with Callum McNicol, the Events Officer, a short window of time has been agreed from 11.20 to 11.40a.m. i.e. between the morning & afternoon races to allow village residents to leave/return to their homes. • Forgandenny defibrillator - AML & PV have been in touch with Gary Bruce (Jorfin Ltd, Forteviot) re electrical work needed to instal defibrillator in Forgandenny Play Park. GB in contact with PKC re situation. Update rec'd & communicated separately. • Aberdalgie - whilst the Green Shoots-Countryside Climate Champions did not receive the full award for which they applied from the PKC Green Living Fund; they nevertheless received a grant of £4361. 	

ii	Forgandenny - Flooding issue (See item 8 Infrastructure/Flooding (i))	PV
iii	Bridge of Earn <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Drop In – Wednesday evenings P7 – S1 Venue: Dunbarney Church Hall This is being led by a group of local volunteers, on a rota basis. • Dunbarney & Forgandenny Church held a successful Coffee morning on Saturday 23rd March to raise funds for refurbishment of the church. • Kintillo Road – Potholes – report via My Pkc • A912 flooding on the carriageway near bike rack – report via My Pkc 	JS JS
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. Road surface also breaking up.	
v	Dron	
vi	Aberdalgie - Surface water U55 at Aberdalgie Church car park heading downhill towards church.	
vii	Oudenarde	
15.	PKC Councillor – Cllr Illingworth The bin at the entrance to Dunbarney Estate on the way out of Bridge of Earn on the way to Forgandenny Road has been replaced.	
16.	Wind Farms	
I	a. RWE Lochelbank Windfarm Next Panel Meeting - April 2024 <u>Next closing date for any applications is 16th June 2024</u> For further information: Lochelbank Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund b. Microgrant Balance – £4698.00 (£3760.00 Defibs) £ 938.00 Microgrant funding Microgrant Application received from Forteviot Village Hall to allow for purchase of planters/compost/plants for village hall - £250.00 APPROVED	

ii	Binn Wind Turbine Community Benefit Scheme - Nil	
17.	<p>AOCB</p> <p>Note of Appreciation - Following the flooding in Kintillo area of August 2020 and subsequently the demolition of Strathnavar, Kintillo Road, 2022, residents requested for their appreciation to be recorded to Cllr Illingworth for his assistance with matters pertaining to both incidents.</p> <p>Forteviot Village Hall – Hands Rails – Suggestion for handrails to be installed at Forteviot Village Hall as a measure of safety for hall users. AML will speak with the village hall committee.</p>	AML

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 22nd April 2024 at 6.30pm
The Institute, Bridge of Earn