

# EARN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Serving the Parishes of Aberdalgie, Dron, Dunbarney, Forgandenny, Forteviot & Rhynd  
 Minute of meeting held on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2025,  
 The Institute, Bridge of Earn at 6.30 pm

1.	Present	Action				
	Chair, J Bruce (Dron), AM Losty (Forteviot), D Johnston (Craigend), J McKenzie (Bridge of Earn), Secretary, J Sloan (Bridge of Earn), V Chair P Vallot (Forgandenny) M White (Forgandenny)					
	<b>PKC Councillors:</b> Cllr. Illingworth					
	<b>Members of Public:</b> one					
2.	<b>Apologies:</b> Cllr M Frampton, Cllr F Smith					
3.	<b>Declaration of Interest:</b> Nil					
4.	<b>Adoption of Minute 27<sup>th</sup> October 2025</b>					
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5.	<b>Matters Arising</b> – dealt with in main body of minutes.					
6.	<b>Treasurers Report</b>  General Fund £184.90	<b>JB</b>				
7.	<b>Health</b>					
i	<b>GP/Health Hub - Nil</b>  Jacquie Pepper, Chief Officer/Director - Integrated Health and Social Care for Perth and Kinross has announced her decision to retire as of April 2026.					
ii	<b>Almond Earn Stronger Communities</b>  <b>Fairer Communities for All</b>  <b>To Date</b>  Applications for Warm Welcome Fund (applicants notified 29 <sup>th</sup> October – further info on PKC website)/Fairer Communities for All /Green Living fund closed on Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October.  Projects for Earn included. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Bridge of Earn Bowling Club</li> </ul>					

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Dunbarney &amp; Forgandenny Church – Support cosy space gentle exercise class &amp; Youth Drop-in</li> <li>➤ Social Flock – Re-distributing clothing across P&amp;K</li> <li>➤ STEM - Delivery of science-based activities for schools, groups, organisations across Almond &amp; Earn Ward.</li> <li>➤ Forteviot Hall – General running costs</li> <li>➤ Earn Community Council – What's On pamphlet for the ward</li> </ul> <p>Fairer Communities for All &amp; Green Living Fund Results Event Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm, Loch Leven Community Campus, Kinross.</p>	
<p><b>8.</b></p>	<p><b>Infrastructure</b></p>	
<p><b>i</b></p>	<p><b>Roads/Traffic</b> – Bridge of Earn</p> <p><u>Associated Issues &amp; Parking Bridge of Earn</u></p> <p><u>Ember Bus Service/Parking</u></p> <p><u>Parking</u> – Balmanno Park/A 912/Wicks o' Baiglie Road.</p> <p><b>a) <u>Traffic Regulation Order</u></b> - Edinburgh Road and Wicks O' Baiglie Road, Bridge of Earn – Work to Baiglie Triangle junction now complete. Cllr Illingworth to find out more about consultation process for installation yellow lines.</p> <p><b>b) <u>Parking Facility for Ember Bus Service - Bridge of Earn</u></b></p> <p>PV/ECC corresponded with local Council, MSP's requesting a multi-agency approach to collaboratively delivering a P&amp;R for this green transport link from Bridge of Earn to Dundee – Edinburgh – Aberdeen.</p> <p><b><u>Update</u></b> – A meeting was held with Jim Fairlie MSP, James Rae, (Senior Communications Officer to Jim Fairlie), Cllr Frampton, Cllr Rebbeck, Serge Merone, Strategic Lead - Economy, Development &amp; Planning · Perth &amp; Kinross Council, Janice Sloan (ECC Secretary) and John Bruce (ECC Chair), Paul Vallot (Vice Chair) on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November, Forgandenny Village Hall.</p> <p>Discussion centred around identifying short and long-term strategies in relation to parking provision for the Ember Bus Service. Next step: S Merone, to converse with Ember.</p> <p>Follow up email to be sent thanking all concerned for this meeting and look forward to outcome of the next step as outlined by S Merone.</p> <p>Cllr Illingworth has also communicated residents/ECC concerns with the Public Transport unit.</p> <p><b><u>Back Street/Side Street Bridge of Earn</u></b></p> <p>Email received regarding large vehicle unable to exit Back Street via Side Street due to parked vehicles restricting turning into Side Street. The only alternative route to access the A912 is to continue Back Street and exit via the one-way system operating on Dunning Street. Cllr Illing and police made aware. Likewise, a large vehicle was unable to enter Back Street from Dunning Street due to cars being parked on double yellow lines at the corner.</p> <p>Email to P&amp;KC roads submitted @ 4/11/25</p>	<p><b>Cllr III</b></p> <p><b>JS</b></p>

	<p>6/11/25 Email Cllr Illingworth – The next ward Councillors meeting is in December and the proposal for more double yellows for Back Street and extended double yellows on Side Street will be discussed then.</p> <p>Police Response (via email 25/11/25)</p> <p>When Vehicles are parked dangerously only then can enforcement take place.</p> <p>If vehicles are obstructing the road, it is worth phoning 101 (albeit a wait at times!) and passing the reg as they will either phone the registered keeper and request, they move or send a unit if free.</p> <p><b><u>Junction of B935 with Pitkeathly Wells Road &amp; speeding</u></b></p> <p>Cllr Illingworth intimated that a review of this stretch of road to be held soon.</p> <p><b>Forgandenny Village</b> – <u>RTA reported by a member of the public</u>. PV had received correspondence from a member of Forgandenny community regarding an RTA involving a 12-year-old whilst crossing the Forgandenny Road at the entrance to Forgan Grove. Shared with ECC and Cllr Illingworth.</p> <p>Request for further consideration to address speeding concerns within Forgandenny as a matter of urgency to PKC.</p>	<p><b>Cllr III</b></p> <p><b>PV/Cllr III</b></p>
ii	<p><b>Review of Unnecessary Signage</b></p> <p>A912 – Ice Sign Roost Restaurant Kilgraston School Rosyth Ferry</p>	<b>ALL</b>
iii	<p><b>Flooding</b></p> <p>Follow recent storms, rainfall/flooding issues recorded on ECC flooding spreadsheet. No major issues reported.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Ecology</b></p> <p>a) Beavers – no report <u>Deich Burn, Land Ownership – ACTION</u></p> <p>ECC requested update from D Stubbs, PKC Greenspace (via email) with the option to provide a contact within P&amp;KC who is responsible for actioning the process of ownership – no response to date.</p> <p>b) Tree Strapping Victory Park - Further photographic evidence of damage being done to trees from rigid plastic supports was forwarded to Greenspace. <b>JS</b> contacted Greenspace with suggestion for community volunteering to re strap trees with hessian strapping. Email 28<sup>th</sup> October</p> <p>Response from C Martin via email 5/11/25 – matter to be discussed with Greenspace team.</p>	<p><b>JS</b></p> <p><b>JM/JS</b></p>
10.	<p><b>Planning</b> – Actions received or being undertaken only</p> <p><b>Craighead Wind Farm</b></p>	

	<p>24/01193/FLM   Erection of 8 turbine windfarm and associated works   Land 1.5KM Northeast of Earnieside Farmhouse Dunning Glen Dollar FK14 7LB – J Morin, Galileo Empower (email 17/6/25). This application is being appealed via the <i>Planning Appeals Division of the Scottish Government (DPEA)</i> - APPROVED</p> <p><b>Brunt Hill Wind Farm</b> Brunt Hill Wind Farm, Perth &amp; Kinross - Section 36 application submitted on 08/05/24 to <i>Scot Gov Energy Consents Unit (ECU)</i> for determination, consent to construct and operate Brunt Hill Wind Farm (with includes a battery energy storage system) located approximately 5km northwest of Kinross and 3 km north of Cambo within Perth &amp; Kinross – On going</p> <p><b>25/00460/FLL</b>   Erection of 39 dwellinghouses and associated works (change of house type and alterations to road layout) (Allocated site H14)   Land 150 Metres Southwest of Kintillo Cemetery (h14) Bridge of Earn – Comment 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 **Awaiting further details of sectional drawings from PKC, Case Officer G Peebles as per email of 19<sup>th</sup> June 2025, to allow ECC to comment. ECC concerned about the topography for the site and the prominence of the development within the landscape setting for the village – On going</p> <p><b>25/00010/PAN</b>   Land 100 Metres North of Clayton Road, Burnbank, Bridge of Earn   Following Pre-Application Public Events, ECC made a submission on behalf of the community.</p> <p><b>Dupplin Solar Project</b> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Exhibition being held in person on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 3:00 pm to 8:00 pm/Online webinar presentation 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025.</p> <p><b>Green Energy Projects P&amp;K</b></p> <p>A Joint CC Meeting was held Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September re influx of green energy projects within Perth &amp; Kinross at Fowlis Wester Village Hall (JM attended). Following this a further email has been received requesting whether ECC would be interested in attending further meetings to discuss the effects of future energy developments which affect our area. JM volunteered to be our representative. JS will email accordingly.</p> <p><b>Local Development Plan (LDP3)</b> – No further information</p> <p><b>Local Place Plan</b> – On going</p> <p><b>Planning Alerts</b> – Email to be sent to P&amp;KC Planning regarding Weekly Delegated lists ‘Could applications be hyperlinked to P&amp;KC planning portal?’</p> <p><b>Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland (APRS)</b> Protecting our Local Historical and Archaeological Sites Webinar held Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November – JM/JS attended</p> <p><b>Cargill’s Garage, Main Street Bridge of Earn</b> – Correspondence received regarding works being conducted at present. Cllr Illingworth was aware and interjected on behalf of the community. ECC will submit an email to Dev Planning.</p> <p><b>Agenda Planning Appendix</b> - No comments raised for other weekly planning applications as per agenda.</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>Cllr Illing</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p><b>Administration</b></p>	

	<p>ECC Correspondence (shared with ECC members via email prior to the meeting). General community information shared via ECC &amp; Forgandenny facebook pages (Noticeboards)</p> <p><b>Correspondence Noted:</b></p> <p><u>Scot Gov Consultation</u> - Exploring trust and transparency in government Email received</p> <p><u>Community Litter Pick Community Host</u> – ECC received an email from G Ross, as identified as local host for supply of litter pick tools. Poster to be shared via facebook following conversation with PKC.</p> <p><u>Local Community Events</u> shared via facebook pages and local noticeboards</p>	
ii	<b>Compliance</b> – Forward 2025 PKC EGM documents	<b>JS</b>
12.	<p><b>Education</b></p> <p><u>Dunbarney School Estate Management Plan</u> – Dunbarney School is one of several schools in PKC as identified as having a capacity constraint. ECC awaits further information from PKC Education as to plans for Dunbarney to accommodate and overcome constraint issues identified – On going</p> <p><u>Oudenarde School</u> – Cllr Illingworth intimated that a school for Oudenarde will be built once <i>“enough children for P&amp;KC to run a school.”</i> PV to address this matter through various channels.</p>	<p><b>JS</b></p> <p><b>PV</b></p>
13.	<b>Reports</b>	
i	<p><b>Police Report</b> – Received and circulated prior to meeting. No Police present</p> <p>Community Policing team – If your group would like a talk/visit from the police then they will do their best to accommodate your request. See email address at the end of this report.</p> <p><b>Contact Community Wardens: 01738 476173</b></p> <p><b>Need to contact the police</b></p> <p><b>Community Police Contact Details for sharing:</b></p> <p>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) Alternatively, email: <a href="mailto:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk">TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk</a></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 <a href="mailto:taysidepreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk">taysidepreventionsandinterventions@scotland.police.uk</a></p> <p>We often post on our Twitter page PSOSPerthKin with updates on what we are doing out and about in the local area under #KinrossCPT. Please feel free to follow us.</p>	

	Kinross Police Office, 17 High Street, Kinross, KY13 8AW <a href="mailto:TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk">TaysideAlmondEarnCPT@scotland.police.uk</a>	
ii	<b>Commemorative Tree Planting</b> – JB to facilitate.	<b>JB</b>
iii	<b>Community News</b> <u>Bridge of Earn – Brig in Lights</u> – Very successful ‘light up’ event took place on Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November, a torch light procession and lights switch on by Rev A Wilson. This project has been well supported by residents, businesses, and in-kind donations.	
14.	<b>Community Councillors Reports</b>	
i	<b>Forteviot</b> <u>PKC ‘Fairer Communities for All’</u> - Forteviot Village Hall is very grateful for its ‘Warm Welcome Fund’ grant of £3,000. A decision is now awaited re a ‘Cost of Living’ award with the results to be announced on 27th November. <u>Christmas Fair</u> - a total of £377.50 was raised on 15th November. The event had been very successful. <u>‘Tea &amp; Carols’</u> - afternoon of Sunday 7th December. <u>Eric McCabe (Wildlife Photographer)</u> - illustrated talk on Borneo on afternoon of Sunday 25th January 2026. <u>Tour de Forteviot</u> - Saturday 11th April 2026. AML had suggested a finish time of 6.30p.m. to Scottish Cycling rather than <u>6.00p.m.so</u> as to ensure the roads would be properly opened by 6.30p.m. (Roads will close at 8.00a.m. & there will be 3 breaks during the day when Forteviot residents can leave/return to their homes.)	
ii	<b>Forgandenny</b> <u>Film Night</u> – Successful <u>Forgandenny in Friends</u> – Visit from PKC <u>Hogmanay Celebration</u> – This annual event is due to recur, all Welcome, by donation	
iii	<b>Bridge of Earn</b> <u>MY PKC</u> - Reported graffiti and flooding at the bridge. <u>Bottle Bank, Victory Park</u> –Checked for any signs of broken glass near the bottle bank in the park, there was little, suggest that people with dogs could avoid that small area. <u>Bridge of Earn Rainfall</u> - recorded 130mm of rain since our last meeting. <u>Christmas lights switch on</u> seemed to be a great success, despite the poor weather.	<b>JM</b>

<b>iv</b>	<b>Craigend</b> <u>Speeding on U55</u> between Aberdalgie & Craigend – On going	<b>Cllr III</b>
<b>v</b>	<b>Dron</b> <u>Dron Mill</u> - no longer exists	
<b>vi</b>	<b>Aberdalgie - Nil</b>	
<b>vii</b>	<b>Oudendarde - Nil</b>	
<b>15.</b>	<b>PKC Councillors - Nil</b>	
<b>16.</b>	<b>Wind Farms</b>	
<b>I</b>	<p><u>RWE Lochelbank Windfarm – Community Benefit Fund</u></p> <p><b>Applications</b> - See RWE Lochelbank website for further information on ‘How to Apply’ Main Fund maximum grant-size (£5,000)</p> <p>As before, grants in excess of this maximum and/or multi-year requests (up to 3 years) <u>can be considered in exceptional circumstances</u>. Such applications should be able to demonstrate strong community support and the potential for significant impact. If you wish to apply for more than £5,000, please contact us to discuss your proposal before completing the application form.</p> <p><b>Key dates for 2026 Applications</b> (As per web page)</p> <p>20<sup>th</sup> February 2026                      Decision end of May 2026 31<sup>st</sup> July 2026                              Decision end of September 2026</p> <p><u>Microgrants</u></p> <p>Microgrants, offering smaller grants with more frequent decision-making time limits, remain available up to £350 from Glenfarg and Earn Community Councils, respectively. Unlike the Main Fund, un-constituted groups and individuals may apply for microgrants.</p> <p>ECC Microgrant Balance – £1031.72</p> <p><u>Microgrant Applications</u></p> <p><u>Bridge of Earn, Wednesday Club</u> – Application for £350.00 General running costs. Following an award from the PKC Warm Welcome Fund this application no longer applicable.</p> <p>Micro Grant Application Form –To be reviewed.</p>	<p><b>JM</b></p> <p><b>JB</b></p>
<b>ii</b>	<b>Binn Farm – Community Turbines (Our Community Energy) Ltd - Nil</b>	
<b>ii</b>	<b>Sustainability Group</b> 1. Future date: Thursday, 22 January 2026	

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17.	<b>AOCB</b> – JS will attend Presentation of Order of British Empire Medal, Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2025, Perth Civic Hall, to Kathleen Baird.  <u>Honorariums</u> discussed	

**Date of Next Monthly Meeting:**  
**NEXT MEETING** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
6.30pm  
The Institute, Bridge of Earn