

GLENFARG COMMUNITY COUNCIL - MINUTES OF MEETING

Monday 27th May 2019
Glenfarg Village Hall

PRESENT: CCllr Ponton (Chair), CCllr Fraser, CCllr Horsman, CCllr Loudon, CCllr Pilmer, CCllr Taylor, CCllr Watson.

Also present: P&K Cllr Purves and 1 member of public

APOLOGIES: PKC Cllrs Barnacle, Robertson, Watters and PC Douglas Stapleton

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
Proposed CCllr Pilmer, Seconded CCllr Taylor.

2. ACTION POINT UPDATES:

Crash Barrier: CCllr Pilmer reported that he had written to Charles Haggart at the Roads Dept, putting our points concerning the need for more crash barriers in the Glen. He has not received a reply. Cllr Purves to investigate.

Village Hall: CCllr Pilmer had received a reply from the Board of Trustees, stating that the Board would communicate fully with the CC and the wider community, but the CC should not send a representative to its meetings. It was agreed that if the CC felt it needed to be updated at any point, it could invite a Board member to attend a council's meeting.

Elm Row Pumping Station: CCllr Ponton informed us that Scottish Water did have plans to remove the barriers around the pumping station but, to the annoyance of local residents, this had not yet happened. It was agreed that as Scottish Water seemed not to be engaging with the community, the CC should write to the appropriate government minister. *(CCllr Pilmer)*

Scottish Water: As a result of residents' concerns, CCllr Fraser had been in contact with Scottish Water regarding the level of chlorine in the water supply. Since then, it seems that this had been toned down slightly and, having posted information on his discussions with SW, there now seems to be a better level of understanding within the community.

Transport in the Community: CCllr Watson reported that 200 copies of a community transport survey had been distributed in the village. The response, although small, was the second largest from communities within the Kinross area. The main issues affecting the use of the existing bus services were operating times, regularity, and time between outward and return journeys. Full results will be made available on the village website and notice board. Cllr Purves stated that both the Action Partnership and the Kinross Forum will consider the results. Next steps are for possible routes to be drawn up and funds to be raised.

Winter Gritting: CCllr Pilmer has responded on our behalf to the request from PKC Roads Dept on gritting priorities and the success of the winter service.

Christmas Lights: CCllr Fraser is to investigate costs of extra lights for Main Street. CCllr Ponton queried whether a rental scheme was a possibility.

3. SCHOOL LIASON

Nothing to report.

4. PLANNING REPORT

CCllr Pilmer reported on the notified Applications and Decisions:

Applications

Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse

Flowerdene Greenbank Road Glenfarg Perth PH2 9NW

Ref. No: 19/00799/FLL

Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse

Cuil Gorm Duncricvie Road Glenfarg Perth PH2 9PA

Ref. No: 19/00779/FLL

Erection of a dwellinghouse and garage

Land 400 Metres North West Of Blairstruie Lodge Glenfarg

Ref. No: 19/00768/FLL

Change of use, alterations and extension to steading to form a holiday accommodation unit

Steading 50 Metres South West Of Wood Side Glenfarg

Ref. No: 19/00748/FLL

Change of use and alterations to agricultural steading to form extension to dwellinghouse (revised design)

Site Adjacent Of Easter Deuglie Glenfarg

Ref. No: 19/00709/FLL

Decisions

No Decisions to report

5. POLICE REPORT

As there was no police officer present, CCllr Pilmer gave the report.

No notable reports of serious crime within the Glenfarg area other than that residents need to be aware of fraud in many forms such as on line and telephone calls. Keep bicycles and other garden equipment locked or out of site from opportunistic theft too.

The local Community Policing team have been in touch with the Binn group concerning HGV trucks using the village as a route to the Eco Park and that speed monitoring is being carried out on a non-disclosed basis.

A member of the public noted that speeding often occurs on the long straights of Main Street within the restricted speed area. She asked about the possibility of SLOW warnings on the road surface. Cllr Purves commented that Community Speed Watch was on the agenda for the next Kinross-shire Forum meeting.

CCllr Ponton asked about the proposal to move the start of the 30mph limit further

south to include the entrance to the Copperfield estate and the new bus stops. CCllrs confirmed that the Road Safety Officer had said he would apply for this new Traffic Restriction at the time of discussions on the siting of the Vehicle Activation Sign. Cllr Purves to investigate.

6.TREASURER'S REPORT:

CCllr Horsman had supplied a Treasurer's Report as follows.

1. GCC – BALANCE ON ACCOUNT £418

Income – Nil

Expenditures – Village Hall Rental £12

2.GCC NEWSLETTER ACCOUNT – BALANCE £12,434

This balance is made up as follows :

	Newsletter	Microgrant	Nursing Fund
		£	£
At 4 th March 2019	6,972	697	4,011
Income	754	Nil	Nil
Expenditures/payments	Nil	Nil	Nil
	<u>7,726</u>	<u>697</u>	<u>4,011</u>

Income/Expenditures since last meeting:

Newsletter:

Income – Newsletter advertisers and Shop Tin £754

Expenditures – Nil

Microgrant:

Income – Nil

Expenditures – Nil

3. SCHOOL FUND £241

No Transactions

TOTAL FUNDS HELD £13,093 at 27th May 2019

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8. AOCB:

Marquee: CCllr Ponton reported that the old marquee has been transported to a possible buyer. It is to be erected in the next few days and, if it is undamaged, it will be purchased for £500. A member of the public queried the need to sell the marquee. CCllr Ponton responded that, since the new, lightweight, modern gazebos had been purchased for use in the village, and large modern marquees were also freely available from KLEO, it had not been necessary to use the old marquee. Storage of the old marquee had been problematic and the CC had sought alternative uses / storage facilities over the past few years. This had finally resulted in a prospective buyer coming forward.

Ladeside Closure: There is to be a road closure next month for 2 weeks, which is expected to cause some disruption in the village. Details to be clarified and advertised. *(CCllr Fraser)*

Community Resilience: CCllrs Fraser and Pilmer are to arrange a meeting with the PKC Community Resilience Officer.

Transport Forum: CCllr Fraser had attended several meetings but felt they were not of particular interest to us at present as we do not have a community transport scheme in place yet.

Village Fete: CCllr Taylor is no longer the Treasurer for the Fete but, in handing over to the new treasurer, he had intimated that in the past the CC had had some involvement in the distribution of the monies raised.

Green Route: CCllr Loudon reported that she had received assurances that there would be an additional Green Route to the west of Glenfarg.

Welcome Pack for New Residents: A member of the public had written to the CC with the suggestion that the newsletter and other information should be handed out to new residents. Since the shop has already supplied a 'welcome pack' including the newsletter, and leaflets are available on the website and are planned for the telephone box, it was felt that no more was necessary.

Nomination for Honours: The CC has been contacted about the lack of nominations this year and will advertise the call for nominations and the procedure. *(CCllr Pilmer)*

Friends of Wallace Park: Professional plans are now being drawn up for improvements to the park, which will be shared with the community, hopefully at the Village Fete.

Countryside Youth Community: This new charity, started by the owner of The Avenue, aims to involve children in learning more about the countryside. The CC has been asked to publicise a possible event using the wooded area at the top of The Avenue this summer. Details to be sought and information circulated at the appropriate time. (Cllr Watson)

PKC Maintenance & Repair: A member of the public asked about the efficiency of a single piece of work being carried out on a problem such as a reported blocked drain when other drains in the locality could be dealt with at the same time. Cllr Purves replied that PKC had maintenance schedules but also reacted to individual reports. He felt that up-skilling workers to be able to deal with different problems would be useful.

Pavements blocked by overgrown shrubs: A member of the public commented on a problem in Ladeside caused by shrubs from the garden of the Glenfarg Hotel encroaching on the pavement. Cllr Purves confirmed that if PKC needed to carry out work, the owner would be billed. The problem is to be reported.

Pavement Sweeping: A member of the public commented that the pavements in Glenfarg did not seem to have been swept for some time. Cllr Purves commented that there were schedules, but the council was also keen to provide communities with the means to carry out some extra maintenance themselves.

**The next meeting of the Glenfarg Community Council
will be held on Monday 1st July 2019, 7.30 in the Village Hall.**