

Glenfarg Community Council Business Meeting Monday 5th July 7:30pm via Zoom media

Agenda

Welcome

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes**
- 3. Action Points**
- 4. Glenfarg Hotel**
- 5. Covid**
- 6. Reports for virtual meetings**
- 7. Planning Report**
- 8. Police Report**
- 9. Finance Report**
- 10. AOCB**

Community Council election

Covid and Lochelbank Wind Farm Covid recovery fund

Welcome

GCC Chair, CCllr Ponton, thanked her fellow CCllrs for their attendance and expressed her gratitude to the owners of the Village shop, to all of the village's residents and many others for their valued help at this troubled time in our community.

CCllr Ponton urged the current CCllrs to engage with residents and to encourage any to come forward to support their community. A resident can be co-opted/elected on to the GCC following the Scottish Government elections in May.

Attendance through Zoom media: CCllr Ponton, CCllr Pilmer, CCllr Fraser, CCllr Christie, CCllr Horsman, PKC Cllr Robertson, PKC Cllr Watters and two members of the public.

1. Apologies – PKC Cllr Purves

2. Approval of last business meeting Minutes. Proposer CCllr Fraser, Seconder CCllr Ponton.

3. Action Points update

Roads and Pavements

PKC Cllr Robertson did liaise with PKC to alert then relevant department know about the ongoing issues with drains and other problem areas. He stated further that PKC were aware of the village's problems, that PKC had many ongoing repairs with other areas and that contractors' activities will take time to repair/renew throughout the coming months. It was noted that a PKC person had been out to survey the village during the last serious rain fall and the subsequent problems arising. CCllr Fraser stated that a number of drains looked as if they had been missed. PKC Cllr Robertson will liaise further with his PKC contact. CCllr Ponton alerted everyone to two drains blocked at the Paris Bridge and that there was evidence on the pathway to Duncreevie that soakaways surrounding the Copperfield house looked susceptible to problems – one to watch for the future. CCllr Fraser will liaise with PKC Cllr Robertson for the topics as a whole. *Action PKC Cllr Robertson and CCllr Fraser*

4. Glenfarg Hotel

The continuing deterioration of the Hotel as a structure and the work inclusive of boarding up the lower ground floor windows carried out to make it safe was discussed. It was noted that a meeting "On Site" with CCllr Ponton and a PKC representative could be advantages to discuss what could/may happen in the future.

PKC Cllr Watters stated that PKC are to pursue remuneration of their costs associated with making the structure safe however, this will not be a straight forward task

PKC Cllr Robertson suggested that at the very least the frontage should be preserved.

CCllr Ponton to make contact with PKC to arrange/discuss this matter with regard to the structure and its future at present. *Action CCllr Ponton*

6. Covid

CCllr Ponton reported on a letter received from a Mr C. Wilkins who is involved with the Trustees of the Village Community Hall concerning, in brief, what the GCC could/would be doing/carrying out with regard to coming out of the Covid Pandemic.

CCllr Ponton had replied to Mr Wilkins with regard to all of his points and posed the further questions that whilst the GCC is governed by PKC and the Scottish Government that the Village Community Hall is an asset that has served the village well in the past and can do so again in the future.

At this juncture CCllr Pilmer brought forward the item under AOCB which was to discuss access to a Covid Fund as determined by the panel representing the Lochelbank Wind Farm. CCllr Pilmer reported that groups or bodies that have been

penalised for income (as a result of the Covid Pandemic) and require start up funding or funding to assist with the cessation of the spread of Covid at a venue e.g. Village Community Hall, could apply for funding through the GCC's Finance Contact – CCllr Horsman. The Covid Fund circa £4000 would be accessible via the present Microgrant format by any Glenfarg based group or body. CCllr Pilmer was asked to make this topic known publicly and to notify Mr Wilkins in due time too. *Action CCllr Pilmer*

7. Reports on Virtual meetings

It was decided by the Chair to carry this topic forward to the next Business Meeting.

5. Planning Report

CCllr Christie reported on the following matters:

Reference	Date	Applicant	Details
21/00689/FLL	26/05/2021	Harris	Change of use, alterations and extension to steading to form a holiday accommodation unit (revised design) at Steading 50 Metres South West Of Wood Side, Glenfarg, PH2 9QJ
21/00750/FLL	26/05/2021	Heser	Extension to dwellinghouse at 9 Lomond Bank, Glenfarg, PH2 9PF
21/00550/FLL	26/05/2021	Binn farm Ltd	Formation of two landscape bunds and associated access track at Binn Eco Park Wind Farm
21/00784/FLL	24/06/2021	Stewart	Formation of decking area and canopy at Wester Deuglie Steading, G PH2 9QJ
21/00842/FLL	25/06/2021	Byrne	Formation of raised terrace at 2 Lomond Bank, Glenfarg, PH2 9PF
21/00465/FLL	19/04/2021	D A Bailie Ltd	Extension to agricultural building at Colliston Farm, Drunzie
21/00763/FLL	19/04/2021	A And J Stephen Ltd	Erection of 2 dwellinghouses (plots 32 and 33 - change of house types) Land 30 Metres South East Of Wallace Park Duncreevie

6. Police report

CCllr Pilmer reported that there had been no notification of any serious crimes within the Glenfarg area. The Police Commander's Bulletin for the Perthshire area is published weekly via the Glenfarg Grapevine.

7. Finance report

TREASURER REPORT 5th July 2021

1. GCC – BALANCE ON ACCOUNT £576

Income – Nil

Expenditures – £84 Community Webhost fee (Glenfeargach)

2. GCC NEWSLETTER ACCOUNT – BALANCE £6 420

This balance is made up as follows :

	Newsletter	Microgrant
		£
At 3 rd May 2021	4 712	1 403
Income	620	Nil
Expenditures/payments	222	93
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Income/Expenditures since last meeting:

Newsletter:

Income – £620 from Advertisements/Donation tin

Expenditures – £222 Danscott Printing costs

Microgrant:

Income – Nil

Expenditures – £93 path works by pond

3. SCHOOL FUND £141

No Change

TOTAL FUNDS HELD £7 137 at 5th July 2021

8.AOCB

Community Council Elections

The forthcoming election for new CCllrs will commence on the 1st July. We have all been encouraged by CCllr Ponton to ask any likely candidate to put their application forward as soon as possible. CCllr Ponton requested that CCllr Pilmer advertise the election via social media and that he is to forward the application forms on to any person who makes a request. CCllr Pilmer added further that any Co-opted CCllr must reapply for a position because the Co-option will cease with immediate effect.

Co-Opted CCllr Christie is to reapply and that the GCC is aware of a number of members of the public (within the Glenfarg Ward) who may decide to apply too. The Community Council in Glenfarg is permitted to have twelve CCllrs however, as a minimum, we can operate with six whereas presently there are only four CCllrs and one Co-opted CCllr, not enough. CCllr Ponton requested that the Publicity is to be started, a notice inserted in to the GCC Notice Board and that any requests for forms are to be issued and that we can all help with any request for information. *Action CCllr Pilmer (Publicity, information and forms), CCllrs Fraser, Ponton, Christie and Horsman – Information.*

CCllr Ponton raised the matter of the Hotel and what is expected to happen in the future. PKC Cllr Purves spoke about the hotel and perhaps the availability of funding for development. The GCC awaits any news forthcoming about the hotel for the benefit of the community.

Village Inn and Community Centre (Village Community Hall)

CCllr Ponton spoke about the future of an Inn type of theme and expressed her concern that there appears to be a stalemate with regard to interested parties being held back by the current Covid pandemic. It was agreed that future discussions with any interested parties for the benefit for the community as whole needs to take place and that all interested parties should be contacting others to generate an impulsion to move matters forward, The GCC is aware that there may be ground available at the rear of the Village Community Hall however, that point is still to be discussed with the Trustees. Further discussions of an informal nature are to take place by the GCC place with interested parties. PKC Cllr Watters reported that there has been a number of Community lead initiatives throughout Scotland and that “from a beginning to an end result” can take a considerable amount of time and effort by all involved. A member of the public asked about the Bowling Green venue as a possibility however, the GCC believes that no progress was made by a Village Pub interested party through their discussions the Bowling Green management/committee. CCllr Fraser and a member of the public agreed that they will explore further ideas and report back any findings at the next Business Meeting. *Action CCllr Fraser and a member of the public.*

Village Community Hall

Top Soil excess as a result of work activities related to Wallace Park will be moved to the grounds of the Village Community Hall for landscaping work.

Village Fete

This has been cancelled nevertheless, a Picnic in the Park will be the summer replacement activity.

Kinrosshire Forum

PKC Cllr Robertson stated that the Speed Initiative (Speed gun trained members of the public, lower road speed limits etc.) will go ahead in due time however, the Covid Pandemic will limit any dates/time commitments.

Kinross Action Partnership

Both PKC Cllr Robertson and Watters mentioned that there is a sum of £53000 available for allocation as a Community Investment fund for Covid recovery. More details to follow in due time.

Drain Trench - hazard

Located at the path exit from/entrance to Wallace Park at the top left hand side towards Duncruevie. This is causing an inconvenience to all who use this route because of the stones and lack of replacement tarmac. CCllr Ponton requested that CCllr write to Stephens pointing out the problem and requesting that it is reinstated.

Friends of Wallace Park (FoWP)

CCllr Ponton stated that £65000 has been sourced for the pathway construction. The Zip Wire activity structure is to be built towards late summer and that a formal opening and dedication event will take place shortly after construction has finished.

Hopefully, the project work for Wallace Park will be completed by the close of Spring 2022.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

Date of next meeting is Monday 6th September at 7:30pm. Details of the meeting will be confirmed nearer that date.