MILNATHORT AND ORWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES for Thursday, 11th October, 2021

1 **Welcome and apologies** – Absent were Craig Williams and Sean Colebourn.

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3 **Minutes of last meeting** – Approved by A. Ward and seconded by P. Milne-Home.

4 **Matters arising from minutes.** – No matters arising.

5 **Police matters.** - 24/10/2021 Suspicious Incident - Door to door callers near to Milnathort whereby cold callers were asking for donations for Cancer Charity. Unknown if this is a genuine or not but asking members of the public to be aware and ask for ID.

6 **Correspondences –**

\* Kinrosshire Partnership are looking for new members to continue their work - A General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th December at 19.00 at The Green Hotel.

* Growbiz Rural Enterprise Support - promoting services to help self-employment, new businesses and social enterprises – go to [www.growbiz.co.uk](https://growbiz.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=aeb345708ece247fe3eb5770b&id=04ac8a6321&e=5b3c6e6568)
* Christmas Gift Bags - Following on from our very successful Summer and October activity bags, we are looking to deliver 100 bags to families for Christmas.  These bags will include a board game/jigsaw, a book per child as well as some Christmas treats!

This will be **subject** to funding, however we are being very organised, so please submit  applications by **5pm on Friday 19th November**. Email - [parenting@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@pkc.gov.uk)

* Fuelled For Fun –

Applications for funding are **now open** for schools and community groups planning to run initiatives aimed at reducing holiday hunger across Perth and Kinross during the upcoming Christmas school holidays **(23 December 2021 – 5 January 2022).**

The “Fuelled for Fun” Programme aims to support local groups/organisations with whole or partial funding towards initiatives that meet criteria to tackle what is referred to nationally as FIHP (Food Insecurity during the Holiday Periods).

Please do not hesitate to contact the Council’s FIHP team by emailing [fihp@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:fihp@pkc.gov.uk) if you have any other queries.

7 **Roads -** TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING, PARKING AND LOADING - U241 DRUM (FROM THE B9097 TO THE A977)

 In order to permit the Scottish Water sewer works on the above section of

road I recommend that a temporary traffic regulation order be prepared. It is to

be effective from the 10th January 2021 for a period of two weeks.

8 **Planning:**

* Applications submitted - 21/01457/FLL P8- Kinross-shire, Erection of 4 dwellinghouses, and reinstatement, alterations and extension to 2 dwellinghouses at Land At Hattonburn Farm, Milnathort for The Good House Company.

21/01822/FLL P8- Kinross-shire - Erection of replacement extension at 3 Auld Mart Road, Milnathort, KY13 9FR for Mr Stephen Cairns c/o Grant Allan Architecture.

* Applications decided - 21/01640/FLL P8- Kinross-shire - Extension to dwellinghouse 7 Coventry Way Milnathort for Mr A Mckinnon c/o CR Smith – application approved

9 **Westminster Constituency Boundaries** – Cllr Callum Purves advised that the Boundaries Commission are proposing to change Kinrosshire and Milnathort would be absorbed into the Glenrothes constituency - there are many problematic issues with this – there is a consultation underway and residents are urged to write in with their views to the commission. .

10 **Core Paths Update** – Kevin Heneghan advised there will be a last maintenance cut of the year on 27th Nov or 4th December. Maintenance machinery will be purchased shortly. It was noted that the Pace Hill core path is still fenced off.

11 **Speeding on New Road** – A speed activated sign is due to be installed - This has been an ongoing problem and is part of overall speeding issues in the village.

12 **20mph Speeding Trials** – Cllr Willie Robertson advised that each community is Kinrosshire are to identify areas for the police to concentrate the Speedwatch efforts, and names of volunteers to be submitted.

13 **Puffin Crossing on South Street** – Several close misses have been reported with cars driving through the crossing whilst children have been crossing. One of the problems is cars parking on the diagonal-lined areas either side of the crossing – this is illegal and extremely dangerous. It was asked if traffic wardens could patrol this area.

14 **Community Investment Fund** – Cllr Callum Purvis advised on the funding allocation meeting.

15 The Town Hall committee has advised that the Hall has had funding accepted to install sound deadening.

16 **Gigabit update for Milnathort** – The Gigabit partnership groups are awaiting communication for BT Outreach for progress.

17 **Sean Colebourn** is stepping down from the committee due to moving away for his work. The committee’s thanks were noted for Sean’s hard work and diligence during his time on the committee, particularly in his role as Treasurer and also undertaking a lot of the Secretary’s work at the same time.

18 **Freda Brookes** was welcomed as a new member of the committee.

19 It was noted that a new **Secretary and Treasurer** is required and stressed that these 2 roles are crucial for the running of the committee. It was suggested a short explanation on the secretary and treasurer roles and to add a short piece on each of the members on the website, it was agreed to action this.

20 **Comments and questions from the floor;**

* It was asked if the ‘smelly tree’ is still to be re-located, this is being looked into.
* Replacement benches on the Community Woodland Walk were discussed, this is being progressed.
* Christmas lights – The MCC will liaise with Milnathort in Bloom on the existing lights for this year and look to organise more lights/decorations for next year.

21 **Councillors’ reports;**

Cllr Richard Watters – Recycling materials are currently being sent to England and should be getting recycled more locally. He mentioned electric car recharging points and that members of the public should notify PKC on where they think these points should be.

Cllr Willie Robertson – The first meeting of the Kinrosshire Area Committee will be in December and a member of the MCC will attend. PKC will have a full meeting next week and the Child Poverty Plan will be central to the meeting.

Cllr Callum Purves – 20mph limits enquiries are being assessed as part of the overall trials. Lathro Meadows Phase 2 has been granted despite the Council having rejected their application. The Kinrosshire Area Committee are asking for CC’s thoughts on what should be included.

22 **Any other matters**.

* An enquiry was made about the bottle recycling station and whether it will be located at Bowling Green Avenue. MCC has been in contact with the PKC dept involved and bigger glass bins will be installed, at either Ba Hill or Bowling Green Avenue – this is to be confirmed.
* Attracting younger new members – It was suggested to approach the High School about promoting this and possibly the Duke of Edinburgh scheme would be a route. It was also suggested if the CC would ask along youngsters and possibly mentor them.
* Community Led Development – A young people’s forum – it was asked if Kinrosshire had one, there is not but was agreed that it would be good to form one. This could be a good thing for the Kinrosshire Local Committee and this will be looked into.

23 **Date of next meeting**

9th December, 7pm on Zoom