

MILNATHORT AND ORWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 9th June, 2022, in Milnathort Town Hall

In attendance:-Malcolm Thomson (CC chairman); Neill Bingham(CC), Andrea Ward(CC), Allan Macrae(CC), Kevin Heneghan(CC -Associate Member), Phil Britton(Treasurer), PKCllr David Cuthbert, PKCllr Neil Freshwater, PKCllr Willie Robertson, PKCllr Richard Watters, and approximate 50 members of the public and 4 Aldi representative.

Apologies were received from Michelle (CC).

CC- Community Councillor

PKCllr – Perth and Kinross Councillor

Minutes of the last meeting:- The minutes of the May meeting were proposed by Neill B and seconded by Andrea W.

Matters arising:-

None.

Aldi Planning application presentation including Q&A:-

Andy Doyle, Property Director gave a presentation on the proposed Aldi supermarket at Auld Mart Road. He then responded to a lot of great questions from the crowd with regards to, deliveries, increase on traffic, increase on noise pollution, impact on air pollution, health and wellbeing impact on locals specifically on school children, whether the location is fixed, whether there were alternatives or better sites evaluated.

Police Matters.

Motorcycle Safety

Perthshire is blessed with beautiful scenery and roads that are favoured by motorcyclists but over the past few years that is not been without its tragedies. The consequences of being involved in any crash while riding a motorbike can be serious. Motorbike riders should not over estimate their own abilities and should at all times ride defensively. The majority of road crashes are avoidable and often involve basic errors of judgement being made.

Clothing is particularly important when riding a motorbike. Your clothing is important for your visibility and for your safety. During the day you should ensure you are wearing bright or fluorescent colours over your protective clothing and in the evening reflective clothing should be worn.

Cycle Safety

The combination of lighter nights and warmer weather has resulted in a marked increase in cyclists on the roads of Perth and Kinross and we all must be aware of what we can do; as pedestrians, cyclists and drivers to ensure our highways remain safe for all road users.

Every week in Scotland, at least three people cycling suffer life-changing injuries. Making our roads safer for cycling requires a combined approach of engineering, education and enforcement.

Driving too close when passing a cyclist is an example of careless driving which attracts a minimum fine of £100 and three penalty points.

Highway Code Rule 64 states 'you must not cycle on a pavement.' Generally anyone cycling on a footway or footpath in Scotland is committing an offence under Section 129(5) of The Roads (Scotland) Act 1984. It is however not an offence to cycle across a footway or footpath to access a cycle track, driveway or other land where cycling is allowed.

And whilst it is perfectly legal for cyclists to ride beside each other or in the middle of the road we ALL need to respect each other and I would hope that all road users would follow the letter of the law and the spirit in which it is intended to ensure that everyone can use our roads safely and without hindrance.

INCIDENTS;

Between 9pm, Monday 9th and 2pm, Tuesday 10th May, 2 Kinve solar panels were stolen from the roof of a property in Church Street, Milnathort. (CR/21152/22)

Correspondence:-

The Tayside Bus Alliance is carrying out a study to consider improvements to transport in the Tayside area. The study will largely consider measures which aim to improve bus services and encourage bus use.

A key part of the study is drawing on the expert voices in the Tayside area, seeking to align the needs and responsibilities of all.

The Tayside Bus Alliance has identified your organisation as key to ensuring we consider the transport needs of everyone in our society.

Please help us to understand the views of those you represent, regarding the transport challenges in the Tayside area and how they can be addressed, by completing a short survey, linked below.

https://systraltd.researchfeedback.net/Tayside_BPF_CaseForChange

Please complete this survey by 17th June 2022 to ensure the views of those you represent are captured.

Dog's Trust Home from Home expansion

I have recently been employed by the Dogs Trust, the UK's largest dog welfare charity, as a Home-from-Home Coordinator. This means I run the fostering scheme whereby we place unwanted dogs into temporary homes with foster carers, until a new forever home is found. This scheme is successful nationwide, but the exciting news is that we are now active in Perthshire.

Foster caring is the perfect way for dog lovers who are not in a position to adopt a dog of their own, experience the joy of looking after a dog whilst also preparing that dog for its new home. Not only does it benefit the carers, but it helps support people otherwise struggling to find somewhere to rehome their dog.

The scheme's success wholly relies on having a great bank of foster carers and we are looking to recruit as many suitable carers as we can. I hoped that you might be able to help, even on a temporary or one-off basis, by allowing a small number of leaflets or poster to be available in any of your community halls or notice boards for members of the public in your area to pick up. This could

be for just one week or even a day to help spread the message and both recruit foster carers as well as let local people know of the help, we are now able to provide for the community's dog loving population.

Megan Wilkinson

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NHS SHARE, The Scottish Health Research Register - Important Information

The need for health research is essential so new treatments can be developed for conditions such as asthma, cancer, dementia, heart failure and mental health issues. We would like to improve the prevention and treatment of disease, which is why we are asking for your help.

SHARE - The Scottish Health Research Register and Biobank, is a register of people aged 11 years and over, who are interested in helping health research and being contacted by SHARE if a health project relevant to you becomes available.

Health research can be anything from filling in a survey about your diet, to researching a new medication for an illness you may have. We need healthy people and those with medical conditions to join. SHARE also seeks your permission to keep any leftover blood following routine tests (e.g. if you have given a blood test at your GP). This leftover sample is anonymised and can be used to help genetic research.

I would like to ask if you might be willing to help promote SHARE by displaying our poster on your notice board at work or in your community hall. We also have information postcards you could share with your colleagues, friends and family. If you are willing to support our initiative, please get in touch to confirm how many posters and postcards we can send to you along with your preferred delivery address.

Please sign up to SHARE today at www.registerforshare.org or scan the QR code below. If you prefer to speak with someone, please contact us on tel: 01382 383471.

Glass Recycling 'Selfie' Competition

At Perth and Kinross Council's Waste Services Team we are currently running a competition to encourage Glass Recycling.

The campaign encourages members of the public to take a 'selfie' whilst recycling their glass at a local recycling point. This photo can then be posted in the comments of any of our glass recycling posts on Facebook or alternatively, can be uploaded to Twitter or Instagram using #glassbottlefamily.

The competition will last 3 weeks and there will be 3 winners decided on the 20th of June. These winners will each receive a £30 Perth Gift Card.

Roads:-

Nothing to report

Planning matters:-

Applications submitted:

22/00739/FLL P8- Kinross-shire Part change of use to dwelling house to form a beauty salon at 29 Croft Wynd, Milnathort

22/00853/FLL P8- Kinross-shire Erection of a dwelling house and associated works at L and 85 Metres South East Of Whispering Pines, Mawcarse

Core Paths:-

Kevin Heneghan gave an update :

- There are 32 core paths covering 24 miles in the Milnathort and Orwell area.
- We extended a core path, by clearing access path and strimming verges, it took 2 people 2 hours to strim the same amount of area that the Flail would have taken 30 minutes to clear.
- Kevin looking into funding to purchase the materials required to replace the benches and also to acquire our own flail.
- Discussion with developer to replace the large gate at the entrance at South Street/Lathro with a more suitable gate for pedestrians and cyclist, as the current gate is unwieldly.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations:-

Neill wished to thank Megan from the Milnathort Primary PTA and Laura, Milnathort Primary School Head and all the local businesses that have helped support the Platinum Treasure Trail.

Saplings are being sourced from the Green Canopy Scheme for Planting in Tillywhally wood.

Comments and Questions from the floor

None

Date of next meeting:-

The next meeting of Milnathort and Orwell Community Council will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 14th July, 2022, in Milnathort Town Hall.

Milnathort and Orwell Community Council contact details:



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