

MILNATHORT AND ORWELL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 14th July, 2022, in Milnathort Town Hall

In attendance:-

Malcolm Thomson (CC chairman); Neill Bingham(CC), Allan Macrae(CC), and 9 members of the public. Apologies were received from Michelle (CC), Andrea Ward(CC), Kevin Heneghan(CC -Associate Member), Phil Britton(CC Treasurer), PKCllr David Cuthbert, PKCllr Neil Freshwater, PKCllr Willie Robertson, and PKCllr Richard Watters

Key:

CC- Community Councillor

PKCllr – Perth and Kinross Councillor

Meeting started:-

7.30pm

Minutes of the last meeting:-

The minutes of the June meeting were proposed by Neill B and seconded by Malcolm.

Matters arising:-

None.

Traffic Survey Actions:-

This topic was not discussed at the meeting as no councillors were present to report back on the status.

Damaged wall on Back Loan/Jess's Park:-

The wall in Back Loan at the corner of the path to Jess's Park has been knocked down by a reversing lorry, the MOCC will request PKCllr Robertson for an update from the council.

Aldi Planning application presentation including Q&A:-

An audience member updated the community council that the Aldi application had not been validated with PKC requesting additional information. The community council would like to remind residents that comments and responses on the proposed Aldi planning application cannot be submitted until the application is live on the PKC planning website.

An audience member informed the council that all PKC councillors had accepted the Old Mart Residents Association's invitation for a site visit to the area and all had attended and heard the residents' concerns.

An audience member asked whether Aldi were reusing catchment area data from their Cowdenbeath store to support their application for the need of a store in Milnathort. The community council will share the planning application once they have been informed that the application is live on the PKC planning website, this will be via the Facebook page or Instagram if between MOCC meetings.

Footbridge at Lathro/new path in need of repair

The community council noted that the footbridge near the farm was in need of repair and have notified PKCllr Watters, it was also discussed that this bridge and the subsequent path are owned by the farm and not PKC and hence will require to be adopted by PKC if repairs are to be performed by them.

Allan also mentioned that the gate at the entrance to the path has been further damaged, making it harder to open and close and will mention this to PKCllr Watters for a status update on the planned replacement of both gates by Persimmons.

Police Matters.

Neil summarised the statements received from the police below:

Rider Refinement Program

Officers are currently involved with the Rider Refinement Program, a one day course which aims to raise awareness of the importance of road safety and made rider think of the personal consequences of taking risks. The course involves demonstration rides and observed rides with feedback from officers along with vehicle examination and safety checks. Courses are available throughout the North of Scotland with dates in Perth as below;

- Sunday 17th July
- Saturday 20th August
- Saturday 17th September
- Sunday 25th September
- Saturday 15th October

The cost of the course is £40 per rider and includes lunch. Anyone interested in attending can email operationriderrefinement@scotland.police.uk

Offensive Weapons Surrender and Compensation Scheme - Wednesday 6th July 2022

The Scottish Government has today launched a scheme to encourage owners of offensive weapons to surrender them at a nominated police station over the next three months. The Offensive Weapons Surrender and Compensation Scheme will run from 1 July to 30 September and is being led by the Scottish Government in advance of legislative changes. From 1 December 2022 it will become a criminal offence to possess in private any weapon listed in Article 2 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Scotland) Order 2005.

INCIDENTS;
None received.

A question from the audience asked why we are not being notified of any local incidents, Malcolm responded that the MOCC receive an email from the please every two weeks and there has been no notifications of any incidents since the last meeting.

A member of the audience asked whether the Police notify local groups/residence association other than the Community Councils of incidents. Neill responded that he was aware that in the past that the local Police station who have informed these types of groups, so has taken and action to find out whether this is still the case and how these groups can be added to the distribution list for notification.

Correspondence:-

Let's Do Net Zero Community Buildings Fund open for applications

Dear Community Councils

Local Energy Scotland Community Buildings Funding round last year managed to attract an enquiry or application from every local authority area in Scotland. They managed to commit over £2.6m of funding to help community buildings to decarbonise and to support excellent projects. You can read more about this on their [website](#).

They would like to ask you for your support helping to promote the refreshed [Let's Do Net Zero Community Buildings Fund](#). This fund has a focus on decarbonising heat in community buildings in particular and will run for until March 2025 (subject to budget availability).

Annual Canvass 2022

Don't lose your voice - residents in Angus and Perthshire; Kinross urged to check their voter registration details are up to date.

Local residents are being warned not to lose their voice on decisions that affect them by making sure their electoral registration details are up to date and is an important opportunity for residents to make sure they can take part in future elections.

The Electoral Registration Officer will be getting in touch with every household to check that the electoral register is up to date, and to identify any residents who should be registered but are currently missing.

An email will be sent to some households in early July asking for a householder to confirm the information we hold about the registered electors in the property is correct, or to provide information about any changes, such as people moving in or out of the property or about anyone now reaching 14 years or over.

Roads:-

TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING AND SUSPENSION OF PARKING & LOADING

CHURCH STREET

In order to permit **Carriageway Resurfacing** on the above section of road I recommend that a temporary traffic regulation order be prepared. It is to be effective from the **15th August 2022** for a duration of **three weeks**.

Planning matters:-

Applications submitted:

22/00996/FLL P8- Kinross-shire

Extension to dwelling house at 18 Reid Crescent Milnathort Kinross KY13 9TB for Mrs Katie Chalmers

22/00950/FLL P8- Kinross-shire

Erection of replacement bird hide/viewing screen at Observation Hut Burleigh Sands Kinross for NatureScot

22/01090/FLL P8- Kinross-shire

Erection of a dwelling house, alterations to garage/store to form ancillary accommodation, home office studio and store, formation of vehicular accesses and associated works (revised design) at Tillywhally Farmhouse Milnathort Kinross KY13 ORN for Mr Peter Giacomazzi

Applications decided:

22/00563/FLL P8- Kinross-shire

Alterations to dwelling house and erection of garage 12 Bowling Green Avenue Milnathort Kinross KY13 9YN for Ms Betty Smith

Application Approved.

22/00853/FLL P8- Kinross-shire

Erection of a dwelling house and associated works Land 85 Metres South East Of Whispering Pines Mawcarse for Mr and Mrs Alistair Stewart

Application Refused.

No comments received.

Core Paths:-

As Kevin was not able to attend he provided a written update that was read out by Malcolm:

- Core Paths at Hattonburn, Burleigh Caslte, Community Woodland and the path leading on to Arlary rail track now strimmed.
- Pedestrian flail is being repaired and will be available w/c 25th July, Alistair MacLeod of PKC has agreed we can have it that week. Core Path work will continue throughout the summer months.
- Waymarking of Core Paths planned for autumn.
- Power tool training was delivered on Saturday 9th July, thanks to all who attended, much fun was had.

- Funding application for the flail and benches continues.
- 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 trim 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 unwieldy.

Promoting the Community Council:-

Bobby, the community council social media champion was not present, however the Community Council asked for any suggestions on raising the profile and included the following feedback:

- Post photos from the Core Path events on the Insta page, as these are already on the Facebook page.
- Post a notification on items similar to the knocked down wall mentioned above and to ask followers to tag the MOCC of any similar incidents
- Post photos from events like the Power Tool training

If you wish to get in contact with the community council, you can email

communitycouncilmilnathort@gmail.com, message via facebook

(<https://www.facebook.com/MilnathortandOrwell/>) or Instagram (@milnathortandorwellcc)

Comments and Questions from the floor:-

Q. Why have the weeds not been removed around the village, specifically the bus stop on New Road? Malcolm will ask PKCllr Robertson to ask for an update from PKC.

Q. Is the carpark at Burleigh Sands now a Campervan park?

A. A Audience member notified there was now a sign and charging for overnight parking, which seems to support campers parking overnight, whether for wild camping on the loch side or in the car park. MOCC will ask RSPB for a response.

Q. Is there a bus to and from the Kinross show?

A. Yes, there are buses that drive around the loch, where you can jump on and off.

Councillor reports:-

No councillors present.

Meeting finished :-

20.05

Date of next meeting:-

The next meeting of Milnathort and Orwell Community Council will be held at 7.30pm on Thursday, 8th August, 2022, in Milnathort Town Hall.

Milnathort and Orwell Community Council contact details:



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