

Blackford Community Council

Approved Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 29th August 2017 in the Moray Institute, Blackford.

Present	
Janet Law	Chair
Katharine Huggett	Vice-Chair
Irene McLaughlan	Treasurer
Bett Illand	Community Councillor
Alison Dawson	Community Councillor
Iain Paton	Community Councillor
6 Members of the Public	

Item	Subject	Action by
1.	The Chair welcomed those in attendance. Apologies:- Councillor Tom Gray and Ann Gaunt.	
2.	Minutes of the meeting of 27th June 2017 were read and approved. Proposed KH, seconded BI.	
3.	<p>Matters arising from previous meeting:-</p> <p>Tree Charter Branch. JL has registered the CC with the new Tree Charter group. Newspapers distributed to those in attendance. We are being asked to help get signatures for the tree charter. JL asked if we should apply for a free tree to plant if there are still any available. A potential site beside the bench near Highland Spring was suggested.</p> <p>Local Energy Scotland. Meeting with Local Energy Scotland postponed.</p> <p>Bench at Danny Burn. Bench has been installed. JL to thank Rob Bryce.</p> <p>Path at Danny Burn: Path has been installed in the north corner of the cul-de-sac, rather than the south. There are still issues with the kerb, but it leads to a core path with an unmade surface. Therefore PKC are not making enforcement order.</p> <p>Carsebreck Core Path Bridge. Sarah Dooley is now working for EDF on the project.</p> <p>Moray Street Road Markings. JL has spoken to PKC re the markings for the parking bays. This will be added to the work to be done.</p> <p>Fault Reports. JL and KH walked round the village making notes of problems to be reported to PKC Roads. These included trip hazards (eg protruding drain covers), drainage problems (blocked and non-functioning drains resulting in persistent flooding eg corner of Moray Place and Abercairney Place). 6 fault reports have been raised by JL with PKC. Residents are encouraged to report faults outside their homes. TG contacted PKC re the surface of Moray Street. Letter tabled. JL has received no further feedback from Blackford is Brighter except the scree garden kerb needs attention.</p> <p>Speed Awareness Signs. JL had a site meeting with PKC Roads Dept and Blackford is Brighter with regards to re-positioning the signs due to cabling.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">JL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JL</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JL</p>

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	<p>Minutes of the last two meetings of the Strathearn and Strathallan Community Partnership, which our PKC Councillors and a representative of all the Community Councils attend, are available from JL for anyone in the community who would like to see them. A copy of the email from Maureen Beaumont to PKC on behalf of Strathearn & Strathallan Forum of CC's re the Locality Action Plan was tabled.</p> <p>JL has written to the Auchterarder & District Community Sports Association (ADCSA) requesting the organisation confirms it relates to the area covered by the Community School of Auchterarder.</p>	
75.	<p>Treasurer's Report.</p> <p>Treasurer's A/c £5272.33. £5000 of this money is for the Cycle Paths Feasibility Study.</p> <p>Business Bank Instant A/c £1189.13</p> <p>The closing date for the next round of funding applications to the Blackford Community Fund is 11/09/17.</p> <p>JL asked if there were any ideas for spending surplus funds. IM advised the newsletter. A member of the public suggested a mirror at the exit of Waulkmill Drive to assist drivers exiting the junction</p> <p>IM to prepare the newsletter for distribution in October.</p>	<p>JL</p> <p>IM</p>
6.	<p>P&K Councillors' Reports.</p> <p>No report.</p>	
7.	<p>Strathearn Community Rail Partnership.</p> <p>No report.</p>	
8.	<p>Planning Report.</p> <p>Gravel Extraction at Milton of Panholes. KH advised it is undecided. Replacement nesting sites need to be in place before it can go ahead.</p> <p>Easterton Farm. KH advised the application has not yet been decided but more information has been requested.</p> <p>Highland Spring. KH advised an application for new signage was submitted. Planning consent for decals was given.</p> <p>No new relevant planning applications have been submitted.</p>	
9.	<p>Police Report.</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
10.	<p>Post Office Working Group.</p> <p>No report.</p>	

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11.	<p>AOCB.</p> <p>AD queried the potential shared use of the path beside the playpark. JL will ask PKC if the public is to be informed of this and if there will be a public consultation.</p> <p>KH brought the following to the CC's attention:- Sewage on the pavement at the location west of the middle bus stop on the south side of Moray Street. Scottish Water is checking it out. The road is collapsing at the level crossing again. Lorry parking at the salting depot. Lorries are still parking outwith the marked bays. KH has phoned PKC Road Safety Team several times and left messages. No reply has been received. There are no road markings to indicate no parking beyond the bays. The situation was discussed and it was agreed by the CC's to request a white line beyond the bays to indicate no stopping and a oneway sign after the salting depot to prevent vehicles turning round and returning to the village. It was reported vehicles have been seen exiting the A9 and entering this part of the road.</p> <p>A member of the public advised there had been a spillage of liquid by the bin lorry in Waulkmill Drive. The sweeper lorry had not been notified the new bungalow end of the drive had been adopted. JI will check this out.</p> <p>A member of the public queried why an ambassador position has been created. This position has been filled by Councillor Lyle.</p> <p>Trees are still obscuring the road sign for Gleneagles on the A9. KH will email BEAR Scotland about the problem.</p> <p>Flooding problem were reported by a member of the public on the road at the Drumlochry Farm entrance. This needs to be resolved as it has been ongoing for a considerable time. BI reported problems with the drainage at the bus stop opposite St. Margaret's Health Centre in Auchterarder. This affects Blackford residents using the bus service to access the health centre.</p> <p>It was noted the renewed surface in the central reservation at the southern end of Blackford is an improvement.</p>	<p>JL</p> <p>JL</p> <p>JL</p> <p>KH</p>
12.	<p>Date of next meeting.</p> <p>Tuesday, 26th September 2017. Venue – Moray Institute, Lower Hall, at 7.30pm.</p>	