

## Blackford Community Council

### Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016 in the Church Session House, Blackford.

Present	
Janet Law	Chair
Katharine Huggett	Vice-Chair
Irene McLaughlan	Treasurer
Andrew Sinclair	Community Councillor
Councillor Murray Lyle	Perth & Kinross Council
7 Members of the Public	

Item	Subject	Action by
1.	The Chair welcomed those in attendance. Apologies:- Bett Illand, Councillor Ann Gaunt , Councillor Tom Gray.	
2.	Minutes of the meeting of 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2016 were read, an amendment added by JL, then approved. Proposed AS, seconded KH.	
3.	No Community Police report was received and no personnel were present.	
4.	Matters arising from previous meeting:- Winter Maintenance – JL wrote to Stewart Dath of PKC Roads Department re Moray Street being a bus route but not receiving proper maintenance during the winter months. Carsebreck Footbridge – JL had received an email from Sarah Dooley, EDF confirming progress.  Possible 20mph speed limit – JL suggested AS enquires, when meeting with PKC Roads Dept. what the professional view is of the suitability of Blackford for a 20mph speed limit.  Planning consent for Gwest Car Park – KH has filed a comment as no lighting diagram has been provided in the application.	AS
5	Chair's Report. JL and AS met with Chris Livingston, Highland Spring, who explained a lot of planning was required to satisfy the 29 conditions imposed for the Rail Freight Development. Funding also requires to be reviewed due to increased costs. Cllr Lyle advised one of the reasons PKC approved the Freight Depot application was so the Council could keep control over conditions imposed e.g. limiting operating hours. Highland Spring are unsure of their plans for their latest acquisition, the Blackford Hotel. Contrary to the impression created by the PO regarding possible alternative locations for a PO Counter Service, CL had not been approached by them, and is now to contact them to clarify this. AS hoped HS will contribute to the costs of speed awareness signs. Car parking had been discussed. The hard standing area was constructed for a building phase of the factory. Improvements would be costly and there is also an issue with flooding. Increased lorry movements at night were queried. There is no reason that HS are aware of why more HGVs should be passing through the village at night. HS do not load at night. However there might be some increased traffic associated with installation of new bottling line. JL thought at least one comment on the PKC Planning Portal re the HS Freight Development had been abusive and should have been redacted due to their abusive content.	

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	<p>The CC had received paperwork from Foundation Scotland for consideration but is awaiting information on questions raised. JL thanked Neil Gaunt for providing background information to the Blackford Community Funds.</p> <p>JL queried the situation regarding the anti-social behaviour questionnaire received. KH and BI don't think it is appropriate to Blackford.</p>	
6.	<p>Treasurer's Report. Treasurer's Account: £744.44 CIR Account: £1188.33</p> <p>IM advised the Blackford Community Funds Panel will be meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May to distribute the next round of funding.</p>	
7.	<p>P&amp;K Councillors' Reports. ML –the Licensing Committee will meet on Friday 29/04/16 to discuss the application for T in The Park. AG (reported by IM) – the repair work had been done on the Lych Gate. JL thanked AG on behalf of the CC.</p>	
8.	<p>Community Rail Partnership. NG had not been at any meetings so there was nothing to report.</p>	
9.	<p>IT Report. AS had nothing to report and asked if the IT report section could be removed from the agenda. He believes any issues arising can be brought up under AOCB.</p>	
10.	<p>Planning Report. KH had looked at the Planning questionnaire. Once started, there was no option but to complete it.</p> <p>Footpath signs at Kirkton Farm have been erected. A member of the public queried if they have the correct information on them and what about the signage at Brookfield? JL has been assured by Frances Berry, P&amp;K Council, the rights of way at Kirkton will be posted and will check with PKC about Brookfield.</p>	KH
11.	<p>AOCB. IM advised the Moray Institute is available for hall lets after the elections on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016. The new self-management model for the hall was discussed. IM had raised some queries about the self-management model with Cllr Gaunt, who has queried them with PKC staff. IM will attend the open afternoon to view the hall and receive information from Live Active Leisure about the self-management proposals.</p> <p>A member of the public queried why lorries are still going over the humpback bridge to access the distillery. Lorries have also been reversing in Moray Street when missing the entrance to Tullibardine from Moray Street. It was suggested the distillery be contacted re planned timescales for completion of changes to site access. IM to contact John Torrance. KH requested the distillery have a system for reporting lorry problems, similar to Highland Spring.</p> <p>IM advised the plate on the mailbox at the Village Store finally has the correct information re uplift times. Grant Sinclair at Royal Mail, Crieff, to be thanked.</p> <p>A member of the public advised there is a problem with trees obscuring the signs for Gleneagles Station.</p> <p>IM asked Councillor Lyle if something could be done to fix the potholes on</p>	<p>IM</p> <p>IM</p> <p>IM</p> <p>KH</p>

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	<p>the access road to the skip in Auchterarder. Cllr. Lyle advised it is an ongoing problem due to it being a private road.</p> <p>IM queried why no advisory signs had been erected when the new maximum speed signage of 40 mph on Western Road, Auchterarder, were installed. Cllr. Lyle was unable to advise.</p> <p>AS was contacted by Gillian Pettigrew, Robertson Homes, who wishes to come to a CC meeting. She is involved in the new housing project and is looking for ways of better understanding the community for engagement. JL agreed this would be a good idea.</p>	
12.	<p>Date of next meeting.</p> <p>Tuesday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 Venue – Moray Institute, Lower Hall, at 7.30pm.</p>	

**The above minutes were approved at the meeting of 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016.**