

## Blackford Community Council

### Approved Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in the Moray Institute, Blackford.

Present	
Janet Law	Chair
Irene McLaughlan	Treasurer
Andrew Sinclair	Community Councillor
Councillor Tom Gray	Perth & Kinross Council
Councillor Ann Gaunt	Perth & Kinross Council
Veronica Llorente	RTS Woodland Representative
1 Officer from Police Scotland	
6 Members of the Public	

Item	Subject	Action by
1.	The Chair welcomed those in attendance. Apologies:- Katharine Huggett, Bet Illand, Alison Dawson, Murray Lyle.	
2.	Minutes of the meeting of 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2016 were read, amended and approved. Proposed JL, seconded AS.	
3.	<p><b>Matters arising from previous meeting:-</b></p> <p>AS had received no update about the speed awareness signs and had emailed Daryl McKeown from PKC and copied in AG.</p> <p>Community Resilience Plan (from now on CRP). KH has circulated information to all CC's and prepared a draft poster for the October meeting. JL and KH have prepared an email to be sent out to contacts. JL to work with IM on a mailing list for community groups.</p> <p>Due to the Community Resilience plan having the initials CRP, JL proposed the initials for the Community Rail Partnership be changed to SCRIP, to reflect its full name, the Strathallan Community Rail Partnership. This was agreed by the other CC's.</p> <p>JL and KH have prepared a draft newsletter. JL requested if AS could provide some information about the playpark for it. AS gave an update to the CC about its progress. JL thanked AS for the update. RB asked if a timetable for the mobile Post Office could be included.</p> <p>The Police sent a weblink for further information re the use of drones. Contact JL if more info required. JL to print out the info for a member of the public.</p>	<p><b>JL,KH,IM</b></p> <p><b>JL</b></p>
4.	<p><b>Chair's Report.</b></p> <p>JL met with PKC Roads Department and potential funders of a feasibility study for improving paths for cycling and walking. JL and KH have agreed a brief for a feasibility study. JL and IM are to be the contacts for a funding application to the Lottery. Further applications for funding for a feasibility study are being planned, to be taken forward by JL, KH and IM. This was agreed by the CC's. A member of the public requested the path at the back of Stirling Street, known as "Backs of the Yards", be included and tidied up.</p>	<b>JL &amp; KH</b>

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	<p>Also queried was the suitability of the Carsebreck Bridge for cyclists. Windprospect is to get the builder of the bridge confirmed, as far as JL is aware. JL and KH have identified at least 16 landowners will be involved in the potential routes. JL advised it may be an option to apply for funding to the Blackford Community Fund if this is legally acceptable.</p> <p>JL is to attend the Burnfoot East Windfarm Community Liaison Group on 28<sup>th</sup> September. 2 places are to be retained for BCC and it was proposed they be taken by JL and KH. This was agreed.</p> <p>BI raised with JL the removal of the bench at the Danny Burn. AG is aware of this and will get information about it.</p> <p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>JL has forwarded received correspondence to the appropriate CC's. The weekly Police bulletin included a paragraph concerning the theft of whisky from Tullibardine. "Overnight on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September the premise occupied by Tullibardine Distillery, Stirling Road, Blackford, was the subject of a break-in where a number of bottles of whisky were stolen. A male approximately 25-35 years of age was seen in the vicinity and his identity is sought."</p> <p>JL wrote to Transport Scotland informing them of the planned funding applications for upgraded cycle paths and asking about plans for the A9 including the potential for a slip road beside Highland Spring. A discussion of this followed. A member of the public raised concern about the impact of the vibration caused by lorries on the houses in the community. TG suggested a petition be started. JL asked if the Councillors can request repairs to Moray Street to cut down on the noise and vibration levels. JL asked if those present wish a 20mph speed limit in Moray Street. There was no response.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>JL &amp; KH</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AG</b></p>
	<p><b>Treasurer's Report.</b></p> <p>Treasurer's Account: £530.11 although 1 cheque is still to be cashed. Business Bank Instant Account: £1188.58.</p> <p>Blackford Community Funds – The closing date for the next round of funding was last Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September. The panel will meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> November to allocate the funding.</p>	
6.	<p><b>RTS Ltd.</b></p> <p>A presentation was given on behalf of RTS Ltd about proposed tree planting on land owned by Blackford Farms around the village. A map was available, highlighting the areas concerned. CC's, Councillors and members of the public had the opportunity to discuss the proposal, ask questions and raise any concerns over the various sites. JL then thanked Veronica Llorente for attending the meeting.</p>	
7.	<p><b>P&amp;K Councillors' Reports.</b></p>	

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	TG advised premises at Gleneagles Station are still available to rent.	
8.	<b>Strathearn Community Rail Partnership.</b>  Neil Gaunt advised the passenger survey at Dunblane, Bridge of Allan and Gleneagles is to go ahead. The proposed information noticeboards are ongoing. Dunblane is also preparing to apply for funding to upgrade cycle paths.	
9.	<b>Planning Report.</b>  Nothing to report.	
10.	<b>Police Report.</b>  PC Murray Westwood advised there had been a theft of whisky from Tullibardine Distillery. He requested when people are parking their cars outside the Moray Institute they respect the parking lines. As the winter approaches, make sure your car is ready for the winter. Police Scotland are carrying out speed checks in Blackford, Auchterarder etc. Further to last month's request by the CC that any speed camera needs to be sited on the village side of the level crossing as traffic approaching the level crossing slows down anyway, PC Westwood was advised that 2 days after the last CC meeting the camera was, as usual, parked past the level crossing.	
11.	<b>AOCB.</b>  Richard Beith presented a report on behalf of the Post Office Working Group (appended). The CC's agreed the paper could be sent to MP's, the Scottish Government and the press on behalf of the CC.  AG reported that she had asked PKC officer Andy Clegg to look at the cemetery road.	
12.	<b>Date of next meeting.</b>  Tuesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> October 2016 Venue – Moray Institute, Lower Hall, at 7.30pm.	

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