

**Glenfarg Community Council Business Meeting 7:30pm, Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025, Glenfarg Community Centre (Village Hall).**

**Agenda**

**Welcome**

- 1. Apologies**
- 2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes**
- 3. Police Report**
- 4. Correspondence and Action Points**
- 5. Meetings Virtual and Public**
- 6. Planning**
- 7. Finance Report**
- 8. AOCB – Greenbank Road, Microgrant, Newsletter Editor**

**Date of next Business Meeting**

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**Attendees:** CCllrs Ponton, Pilmer, Fraser, Macleod. PKC Cllr Robertson, PKC Cllr Watters and 8 members of the public.

Welcome by the GCC Chair CCllr Ponton

**1. Apologies:** CCllrs Christie, Murray, Smart, Police Scotland PC Samson.

**2. Approval of last Business Meeting Minutes held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

CCllrs Ponton and Murray 09/11/2024.

**3. Police Report**

In PC Samson's absence CCllr Pilmer, Secretary, advised on the following since the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024:

19 calls and 0 investigations.

Also, Police Scotland will make every effort to carry out speed checks across the area during their patrols.

Check out the Twitter page of @PSOPerthKin or #KinrossCPT and feel free to follow.

## **Community Team Activity**

We, Police Scotland, often post on our Twitter page @PSOSPerthKin with updates on what we are doing out and about in the local area under #KinrossCPT. Please feel free to follow us!

Kinross CPT would encourage members of the public to sign up to rural watch Scotland ([www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk)) and neighbourhood watch Scotland ([www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk)) for updates and alerts on local issues, crime prevention advice etc.

When operationally possible the local Community Policing team shall make a visit to the Village Hall Coffee morning on a Thursday.

**4. Correspondence and Action Points**

Correspondence

CCllr Pilmer, Secretary, reported the following:

A letter of complaint from a member of the public was received relating to a Private Matter. CCllr Ponton replied stating that it was in fact a Private Matter and not a GCC topic. CCllr Pilmer had written to PKC Community Team for legal clarification and their response was the same as CCllr Ponton's.

A letter was received from a member of the public regarding PKC's intention to enforce Parking Regulations as of the 6<sup>th</sup> January and that Lomond Bank, having been identified as a possible area of

concern, was in fact a Private Road. The GCC understands that further communication is to take place between the member of the public and the relevant PKC department.

A letter was received from a member of the public in relation to the Private Access road's condition for the attention of Scottish Water particularly at the Glendy section. This matter is to be passed on to Councillor Fraser for his next meeting with the Scottish Water WTW Liaison Group. Councillor Pilmer notified the member of the public accordingly. *Action Councillor Fraser*

## **5. Meetings – Virtual and Public**

Scottish Water & GCC Liaison Group. Councillor Fraser reported on the Key Matters discussed as a result of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Please refer to the attached addendum for further details.

Scottish Woodlands Meeting Glenfarg Community Centre (Village Hall) 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024. Councillor Fraser Chaired the meeting (arranged by Councillor Pilmer). In attendance were three Scottish Woodlands employees and 30 members of the public. The proposed woodland project at Deuglie bordering the Scottish Water Treatment Works and the reservoir was discussed at length regarding the following.

Reasons for the proposed Woodland – Scottish Government initiative and a private company business venture.

Future intention – types of trees, time scales for the project estimated at present and the long term being 25 years or greater before harvesting, effects on existing roads is not to happen for the village but come via Fordel and or a private negotiated access route across another land's owner. Access for walkers, cyclists, horse riders to be confirmed.

Effects on private water supplies – subject to separate discussions with affected properties.

Effect on wildlife – Studies have been carried out to identify what the habitats were, how they can be encouraged with new trees.

In summary it was a well-attended event. The initial project will be amended with regards to comments and feedback and then a final project will be presented back to the GCC. The final project itself would go via a vetting panel before being given the go ahead to commence. Any works will be Season driven giving regard to weed/invasive species curtailment, deer fencing and sapling planting.

Kinross-shire Transport Forum. Councillor Fraser reported that the meeting confirmed that Tractrans had assumed control of Funding for projects/initiatives and that ideas for the broadening out of transport types/use/links for the next five years was the vision.

Kinross Local Action Partnership. Councillor Fraser reported that a benefit via Funding to the community to acquire a Pavement cleaning machine was refused. Nonetheless, a PKC Pavement Cleaning machine was noted as visiting the village to assist with the removal of pavement debris e.g. leaves.

Binn Eco Park Community Turbines. Councillor Ponton reported that a member of the public from Glenfarg had been appointed as one of the Directors and the directorships will last 3 years. The group that Councillor Ponton was involved in will now hand over all matters for control to the new Committee/Panel.

## **6. Planning**

Councillor Pilmer, Secretary, confirmed that a report was not available and would be carried on to the next Business Meeting in absence of Councillor Christie (on Annual Leave).

## 7. Finance Report

In CClr Murray's absence CClr Fraser reported as follows.

### GLENFARG COMMUNITY COUNCIL TREASURER REPORT (Nov/Dec 2024)

Newsletter Account Starting Balance £7,336.85

Village Shop Money Tin £73.00

End Balance £7,409.85

Community Council Account Starting Balance £94.62

PKC award £518.98

End Balance £613.60

Microgrant Account No funds transferred into this account

End Balance £0.00 Notes

Two awards from Foundation Scotland - £700.00 and £2,300.00 to be transferred to microgrant a/c. However, the Christmas Tree Light financing will be reflected in more detail by CClr Murray at the next GCC Business Meeting.

## 8. AOCB

### Greenbank Road

It was with concern that the matter of the visual and actual effects of two Social housing residencies on the community was discussed and what outcomes need to take place to remedy the effects. Members of the public raised concerns about the environmental impact, the Health & Safety concerns, the degradation of what were once two respectable properties, the ingress and egress of a vehicle maintenance business within the PKC's properties grounds and spilling on to Greenbank Road. Also discussed were reports of anti-social activities (Police involved) and local Housing for sale receiving negative comments. This led to a frank open discussion between PKC Cllrs, members of the public and the Community Council. One of our local PKC Cllrs explained what had been reported to PKC's South Housing Department (for Social Housing), their reply and what further action needs to take place. It was determined that PKC Housing Department requires to be informed by any parties with concerns directly and that any anti-social activities must be reported to Police Scotland. The GCC will write to PKC Housing department. *Action all parties in attendance*

Microgrant application for the Biodiversity Group (subgroup of Greener Glenfarg). This group has applied for £300 of funding to assist with three public events and the necessary materials and printed articles to assist with activities. The Microgrant was supported by the CClrs, payment to the Group will be given including the topic of feedback about Match Funding. *Action CClr Murray/CClr Fraser*

Newsletter Editor. It was confirmed that the position has been filled and that the person has a vision for future editions of the Newsletter. Confirmation of a commencement date for the role was not available due to the current Editor, CClr Christie, being absent.

**Meeting closed at: 8:50pm**

### Date of next Business meeting:

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025**

**Proposer: CClr Ponton 9/1/2025**

**Seconder: CClr Macleod 9/1/2025**

**Addendum**

**Glenfarg Community Council**

**Water Treatment Works Major Project- Liaison Group  
Key Matters from meeting 07/11/24**

**Introduction**

The liaison group was formed to allow the community council to regularly meet with the management of the SW major project team and receive updates on the progress of the project and also to raise awareness of concerns being expressed by the community.

**Key Matters Discussed**

1. Further noise surveys have been carried out in neighbouring houses and the levels found to be within the scope allowed.
2. The noise from the running of the generator does not appear to have an easy resolution.
3. SW have proposed another public presentation in January 2025 before the project goes back in front of the planning committee.
4. SW would be happy to present their bio-diversity plans to the village. Looking for a date in January.
5. The delivery of the air curtain is scheduled for the 21 November 24. Tree specialists will accompany the delivery vehicle and lop only the branches that affect the access.
6. The wild swimmers' route to the reservoir will be affected by the works. There is apparently a clear route beneath the HV electrical line that could perhaps be used to the East of the reservoir.
7. There will be a Road Notice issued for 6 weeks to allow BT to lay some underground cabling from 6<sup>th</sup> Jan to 14 Feb 25. SW will follow on behind BT to reinforce the soft verges. This will reduce the inconvenience to drivers from having two separate events.
8. GCC to confirm bus times in the morning and afternoon to get a pass to drive along the route to Candy for school children.
9. A crossing officer for Ladeside is in place for the new year when the work starts.