

# May Meeting Postponed

## Glenlyon and Loch Tay Community Council

**Draft minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at Fortingall**

**Present:** S.Dolan – Betney (chair), J. Riddell (treasurer), S. Dorey (secretary), J. Polakowska, Cllr J.Duff and 11 members of the public

**Apologies:** K. Douthwaite, W. Graham, Cllr M. Williamson, C. Brook, E. Melrose.

**Minutes of the meeting held on 9.1.2020 in Fearnan** were agreed, proposed by JP, seconded by JR.

**Finance:** Current balance is £363.30

**Police Report:** Due to operational problems there was no-one available from Police Scotland. No new issues to report.

**Fearnan sub-area:** just waiting for a map, then straightforward.

**Proposed LDP2** – no specific policies on ‘hutting’. JD provided paper copy of Policy 49: Minerals and Other Extractive Activities – Supply “Financial Guarantees for Mineral Development Supplementary Guidance”, Consultation draft. Closing date for comment March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020.

### **Roads:**

*Pop up Police Officers* – risk assessment to be done prior to locating them near Lawers Hotel & the A827 in Fearnan.

*Fearnan verge-masters* have now been installed by PKC at Letterellan.

*Glen Lyon road closure* now will be June, instead of January. The hill road still the alternative route. Will need work to make it safe, as mentioned by a local resident. Cllrs JD & MW will ensure this happens.

*Timber Transport Fund* will look at a possibility of funding to improve the lay -byes on the Glen road and to widen it slightly, where there are no concealed utility cables, pipes, etc.

*Flooding* near Keltneyburn at Wester Blairish water is flowing over the road which causes problems when it freezes, due, probably, to a blocked field drain. Flooding also on the road in front of Glen Lyon House, Cll. JD will report & get it investigated.

*Fortingall VAS:* Partially installed. A local resident, representing 4 other residents addressed the meeting with objections to the siting of the poles: due care in notifying neighbours and residents of proposals; conservation and Statutory Planning;

disturbance to quiet enjoyment of adjacent properties; potential increase of danger to residents, and visitors from speeding vehicles. Other objections: never having been invited to a CC organised meeting; not having received notification of meetings, agendas or minutes; no knowledge of CC constitution, election or remit. Cll. JD pointed out that as traffic authority PKC has the power to place signage in a road by virtue of the Roads Traffic (Regulation) Act 1984. He also gave a brief overview of Community Councils. SD-B referred the objector to the PKC website. (See Appendix).

It was explained that agendas, minutes etc are posted on local notice boards and on the CC website. (See Appendix)

Objector informed the meeting that the Road Safety Dept. had offered a site meeting.

Invitation was extended to CC – JP will represent – and other interested parties. SD-B requested CC be copied into e-mails between objectors and PKC.

*Etape:* The CC had a meeting with the Limelight event manager, Catriona Hills and Cllr. MW in February. The CC is still pressing for the loop from Coshieville through Fortingall and Duneaves to be removed as it effectively closes off the Glen road to Bridge of Balgie causing problems for residents and businesses. MW suggested alternate route which would extend the race as well & would arrange to take the event organiser to see them. It is too late for any change this year.

*Heart200* – as discussed at meeting with Peter Wishart M.P CC sent letter to PKC Internal Audit is looking in to how the funding was allocated. SD-B to attend inaugural meeting of website steering group on March 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Speed limit* from Coshieville to Keltneyburn - proposed reduction to 40 mph. CC has no objection but would like to see it extended to Fearnan.

Kenmore to Fearnan - speed reduction to 30mph. May 13<sup>th</sup> for 3 days to allow BT to carry out cabling works.

**Fearnan issues:** The situation had improved but now sliding back. CC has received several complaints from local residents. Sandy Robertson notified. The multi-agency team have been updated & the Enforcement Officer will visit soon.

### **Ambulance Service/ NHS Tayside**

Defibrillator report: The CC is still trying to raise money for the ongoing provision of batteries & pads as they are not covered by PKC admin. grant. Lucky2BHere will supply but look for a donation of £30 for pads. Collection boxes asking for donations for the upkeep were suggested, JD to supply. One at the Ben Lawers Hotel if the lessee agrees. SD-B to contact.

There is defib training for anyone interested on 19.3.2020 at 7pm at Fortingall

### **Highland Action Partnership:**

**Health & Safety and Community Resilience Groups – nothing to report.**

**Road Safety Group** - SD-B attended meetings.

*Escorted Vehicles* – SD-B clarified the ruling for vehicles not needing Police escort – vans must carry approve markings and drivers must be trained – 2 vans per wide load. Timber lorries do not need an escort. Andy Brown to be contacted.

*Fearnan 20mph limit* - will be reassessed after completion of PKC trials – January 2021.

*Motorcycle safety training sessions/Older drivers safety sessions – to be held in Moness Carpark (behind Co-op), Aberfeldy, April 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*Road Works portal:* being set up on PKC website to enable the public to check on progress of proposed works – almost completed.

*Reporting Faults* – meeting was reminded that everyone has a responsibility to report road faults – potholes, flooding, broken edges etc. to PKC. It is quicker to report directly to PKC rather than to PKC Councillors or the Community Council. Cll. JD reminded people that faults can be reported by phone on 01738 475000 or online at MyPKC.gov.uk, where much more information can be found. (See Appendix).

**Planning updates:** new list was handed out. 19/02121/FLL - a site meeting was held with CC, PKC planning & the applicant. CC raise concerns – build size; massing; overlooking of existing properties; right of way along boundary of plot 4; the proposal to put a new opening on a corner onto the Fearnan Brae; capacity of main access road and its effect on traffic on A827; access for emergency vehicles; collection of refuse; access to transmission pole. Cll. JD informed meeting that due to high number of objections this application would go to Committee. Application awaiting Transport report.

**Fortingall Notice board:** Cll. JD reported refurbishment of the Fortingall bus shelter was scheduled for the end of March. Work to include – power wash; sanding, staining and varnishing; new plastic fascia boards; new covered notice board in black. Some concern was raised about the swallows causing a mess. JP from the CC has undertaken to clean the shelter on a regular basis.

**BT landlines:** Cllr JD had written to BT explaining the difficulties where there are no mobile signal & how essential a land line is. As yet, no response from BT

**Drummond Hill:** The larches on Drummond Hill are threatened by a disease, Forestry & Kenmore CC are working on a plan. There are public meetings planned to discuss the options.

**Tigh nam Bodach:** Historic Environment Scotland (HES) contacted CC for information about this ancient site and invitation to drop-in meetings in the Fortingall Hotel. HES informed of concern over too much publicity of the site as it could endanger it. Drop- in meeting now postponed due to the coronavirus.

**Correspondence received:** Research student from Aberdeen University contacted CC wanting a meeting about gold mining in the Loch Tay area. Date to be arranged.

#### **AOCB:**

*National Planning Framework* have a drop in meeting planned for 13.3.2020 12 - 1pm in the Locus Centre.

*Upper Tay Transport Group* launch of is on 14.3.2020 at 10.30-12.30 in Aberfeldy Town Hall

*Tombreck Action Group* representatives asked Cll. JD about their application for funding from the Community Fund for eco-houses at Tombreck. Cll. MW had been in touch immediately prior to the meeting to say the group had been successful & SD-B passed on the good news.

*Tree felling at Garth:* a resident was concerned about proposed tree felling behind her house. She already has drainage / flooding problems and though the felling could exacerbate the situation. SD-B advised contacting SEPA immediately. Cllr JD to find out details.

*Trees falling on to road:* another Garth resident expressed concern about the trees either side of the road at Garth, especially in windy weather. The trees are the responsibility of the landowner but some of them have a Tree Preservation Order. SD-B to contact Paul Kettles.

**Next meeting: 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 in Glenlyon Primary school at 7.30 pm**

## **APPENDIX**

**PKC phone number** - 01738 475000

**Community Councils' information:** PKC website – bottom of Home page – A-Z of Services – click **C** – scroll to Community Councils.

**Contacting CC** – [mail@glenlyonandlochtaycc.org.uk](mailto:mail@glenlyonandlochtaycc.org.uk)

**CC website** - <http://glenlyonandlochtaycc.org.uk/wp/>

**Reporting road faults** – phone 01738 475000; on-line – PKC Home page – A-Z of Services – click **R**

**Flooding** – report to PKC as above and to the Police on 101 – Police can provide 'FLOOD' signs or close the road

**NB – events in red have been cancelled due to coronavirus control**