



Minutes of the meeting held on

12th December 2018

- I. Present/apologies for absence:**
- **Present:** Ken Smith (Chair), Sue Wallace (Treasurer), Michele Bennett, Meg Duckworth, Hendy Spence, Angela May
 - Councillor Graham Lambie
 - 3 members of the public
 - **Apologies:** Karen Milliken, P.C. Steven Graham and P.C. Gary Martin
- II. Declaration of interest in any items of business**
None
- III. Approval of Minutes of last meeting:**
Minutes to be circulated to Fintry Community Councillors for approval.
- IV. Stirling Councillor's Report**
- - MB raised a query from a resident who had taken used car tyres to the Waste Recycling Centre at Balfron and been told that they could not be accepted. SEPA had advised that this should be the correct way to dispose of them. GL agreed to check Stirling Council's policy.
- V. Police Report**
- **Antisocial Behaviour:** There have been no reports of anti-social behaviour in the village since the last report.
 - **Road Safety:** There have been no reported road traffic collisions in the Fintry area since the last meeting. Parking at the primary school has been monitored and this will continue to be the case. **WINTER CHECKS** - Please check and maintain your vehicle for road worthiness. The winter weather causes roads and driving conditions to be hazardous. This includes ensuring that vehicle windscreens are defrosted and you have a full view of the road ahead prior to driving off. On that note, please do not defrost the windscreen by leaving your engine running unattended on the road or driveway.
 - **Theft:** In the past few weeks in the Fintry area, and other villages, commercial properties have been broken into. A male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for some of these, including the break ins to the Fintry Sports Centre and the caravan park. More recently, domestic houses in the Strathblane, Croftamie and Killearn areas have been broken into. We welcome any calls regarding any suspicious vehicles or persons so please phone in and the vehicle/person will be enquired into. Local and Traffic Officers continue to carry out high visibility patrols in the area as much as possible along with static road checks.
 - **Police Message to Local Residents:** Recently the clocks went back an hour to mark the end of British Summer time. This also marked the start of the darker nights which can make it easier for thieves to target your property if they can see that nobody is home. We need your help to make it make it harder for the thieves so please consider the following:
 - Use timer switches on lights and radios to make it look as if your home is occupied.
 - Ensure all doors and windows are secure when you leave and when you go to bed.
 - If possible use secure lighting at the front and back of your property.

- Make sure all garden tools and ladders are locked away when not being used. Don't give the thieves the tools to break into your house.
- Use a good quality lock on any garden sheds and outhouses.
- Make a note of all makes, models and serial numbers of expensive items in your home.
- Create a FREE and secure inventory of all your personal property at www.immobilise.com
- If you note anything suspicious in your neighbourhood report it on 101.
- If anyone would like further crime prevention advice, please contact PC Steven Graham or PC Gary Martin who will be happy to assist.
- **Community Engagement and Reassurance:** PC Steven Graham and PC Gary Martin are the only community ward officers for the Forth and Endrick area, based at Balfron Police Office. They can be contacted at Balfron Police Office, on 101, or by emailing ForthEndrickCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk. Please contact us at Balfron should there be any issues you would like to discuss and we will be delighted to assist. Please remember that we regularly publish useful information and updates on social media, including appeals for information, updates about road closures and crime prevention advice. Our Facebook and Twitter pages can be found at www.facebook.com/forthvalleypolicedivision www.facebook.com/policescotland www.twitter.com/stirlingpol www.twitter.com/policescotland
- **Neighbourhood Alert:** This is a community messaging system which sends alerts regarding crime, safety and resilience to communities. Ruralwatch is an information platform that has been set up by what was formerly Neighbourhood Watch; however the big difference being that any members of the local community can sign up to have the relevant alerts sent to them by various means including E-mail or Text message. To receive free alerts simply register at: www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk
- **Rural Crime:** There is a Q and A with Inspector Alan Don from the Rural Crime Team on the Police Scotland website: <http://www.scotland.police.uk/whats-happening/featured-articles/Rural-Crime-Team-QnA>. At the end of the article is a link if you'd like to know more about Rural Crime and what can be done to prevent it.
- **POLICE SCOTLAND – YOUTH HUB:** Police Scotland has launched its first dedicated internet page and social media channel dedicated to the children and young people of Scotland. The new platforms are a result of feedback from national consultation with young people, who requested better access to information and modern ways to communicate with Police. The new resources will help promote Children's Rights by providing young people with easier access to educational resources and space to voice their views on platforms recognised and commonly used by them in modern society. The Children and Young People team aim to provide safety and prevention messages that will ultimately help young people make better life choices and minimise potential risks to themselves and others. Any content being published will be structured to avoid corporate messages and more appealing to the desired age groups. To view the internet page, go to www.scotland.police.uk/youth-hub and the new Facebook channel can be found at [www.facebook.com/Police Scotland-Youth Hub](http://www.facebook.com/PoliceScotland-YouthHub).

VI. Treasurer's Report

- Most of the money for the last round of Macro Grants has been paid out.
- It was agreed that the application form needs to ask for more information from the applicants with regard to bank account details etc. in the event of a successful application.
- The resilience fund had received its first round of funding and money has been paid out for a defibrillator. Another £10K is expected which will be spent mostly on a generator.

VII. Planning

- An application for two cattle sheds at Claylands Farm, Killearn Road, Fintry has been approved.

VIII. Fintry Community Bowling Club

- A change in the constitution of the Fintry Community Bowling Club was proposed, seconded and accepted unanimously. (Constitution attached at end of minutes).

- DS reported that funding had been sought to help with repairs to the bowling hut and that future plans should ensure that the club remains financially viable.

IX. Cemetery Path

- Quotations for the work have been received and funding will be applied for.
- It was agreed that future plans would look at the possibility of extending the path to North Lodge.

X. Church Defibrillator

- Waiting for confirmation of funding before this can be purchased.

XI. Kingsburn Grants Scheme

- The next round of grants will open 02/01/19 and close 28/02/19 with a decision on funding to be made at the FCC meeting in March and money to be paid out by the end of March. There is £7K available for the macro grants and £2.5K for the micro grants.

XII. Christmas Bus/Shopper's Bus

- The Christmas Bus is running on 15/12/18. There was not sufficient interest to run a second bus on 22/12/18.
- AM to find out if there is any interest in a similar bus in January.
- MB asked if it would be possible for the Shopper's bus to run on Monday 24th December and Monday 31st December instead of Wednesday 26th December and Wednesday 2nd January. AM to check with Buchanan Cabs.

XIII. Correspondence

- Cemetery Wall – Land Services responded to an enquiry on the status of the repair to the cemetery wall and confirmed that work has started on rebuilding the wall but that the reconstruction has been delayed and extra costs had been incurred due to the copes being stolen and the wall vandalised.

XIV. A.O.B

- The Fintry Christmas Tree is now in place and will be decorated at the weekend.
- Daffodils have been planted in the area around the Christmas Tree.
- In response to a query at the last meeting regarding sculptures in Fintry, MB had found that funding can be obtained from Creative Scotland for up to £100K.

XV. Questions from the floor

- None

XVI. Date of next meeting

- 9th January 2019

A vote of thanks to the chair was recorded.

FINTRY COMMUNITY BOWLING CLUB

CONSTITUTION

Amended November 2018

1. The club shall be called the Fintry Community Bowling Club. (Referred to here as "the club.")
2. The use of the club shall include bowling, any other game activity, or any community activity approved by the Management Committee.
3. Fintry Community Bowling Club is an equal opportunity club, providing opportunities for all people regardless of gender, age, disability and race.
4. Membership of the club shall be open to residents of Fintry Community. The club is open to guests of any member. The Management Committee can agree to allow other members from outwith Fintry.
5. Individual membership is by a fee agreed at an AGM or Special General Meeting. It shall grant lifetime membership or for a length agreed at a general meeting.
6. The Management Committee shall be made up of Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer and two ordinary committee members. Each member shall hold office for a period of up to three years and is eligible for re-election.
7. Additional short term co-option of up to two Committee members is allowed as the Management Committee sees a need.
8. Elections of Management Committee will be at the AGM.
9. AGM's will usually be held in October-November. Three weeks notice to ordinary members is required.
10. A summary of the treasure's accounts shall be made available at the AGM. Accounts will be audited prior to the AGM by suitable independent person arranged by the Committee.
11. Management Committee quorum is three members. Meetings called as required. Day to day running is delegated to office bearers.
12. The club should provide an annual report to Fintry Community Council.
13. In the event of dissolution of the club any remaining assets will be used for the benefit of the community by joint agreement with Fintry Community Council. No individual may benefit from the sale of assets.