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Quarterly Public Meeting

Thursday, 15th January 2026, 19:00

Gannochy Community Hall

Chair: Lyndsey Milne

Minutes

1. Welcome

- a. Attending: Lyndsey Milne, Grant Stephens, David Fulton, Cllr Chris Ahern, John Shovlin, Sophie Younger-Dowse, Dee Macfarlane, 5 members of the public
- b. Apologies: Jack Rivett
- c. Adoption of Minutes of Meeting on Thursday 16th October 2025
Proposed: David Fulton, Seconded: Dee Macfarlane

2. Matters arising in Minutes:

- a. Railings on Dundee Road Opposite manse road: Jack to update. Forward case number to Cllr Ahern.
- b. Speeding - New limit within all built up areas of Perth (20mph): Cllr Ahern: Signs are being put up.
 - i. Issue raised that nothing was publicised. PKC is just implementing Scottish government law.
 - ii. Signage is currently being put up.
 - iii. All built up areas will be 20.
 - iv. Exceptions: Dunkeld, Dundee, Glasgow and Dundee roads
 - v. VAS signs need to be adjusted.
- c. VAS on Scone Rd (A94)
 - i. The sign is still not active. David has a myPKC ticket for it. Cllr Ahern to chase it up.
Case number: FS-Case-757805018
- d. Bridgend Appearance
 - i. Sophie: Spoken to a few people. Many issues. Written to Stephen Macdonald who is happy to have a meeting to discuss some of the issues. It is an appointment zone rather than a shopping area.
 - ii. Possibly changes coming to the old bridgend store where the zoning is changing.
 - iii. Mostly rental accommodation, but no tenants groups.
 - iv. Suggestion is to start with small things.
 - v. Residents/Business Owners parking is an issue because the residents parking permits have been removed.
 - vi. Facades might be able to be taken on by Perth heritage trust- different from PKC.

3. New Matters

- a. Volunteers needed for planters in Bridgend- possibly DOE
 - i. People from walled gardens may be able to help.
 - ii. Terry from the sign shop is happy to water them.
 - iii. Council has compost available.

- iv. The sign shop is now empty which may become a cafe.
- v. Terry is the link with the local shops.
- b. Local Place Plan
 - i. The idea is to create one for BGK to generate some enthusiasm from the community about our area. The 10 Year plan goes to the council which then influences future decisions about our area. Looking for people to contribute ideas, comments.
 - ii. There are commercial outfits that can be commissioned to act as mentors for the creation of these plans. Is there any Council money available to support this initiative (SY asked)? Cllr Ahern did not know.
 - iii. Action Item: Put out a call for volunteers for the sub committee.
- c. CCTV in Bridgend
 - i. Lyndsey: Due the number of suicides on the bridge it would just be good for families to know what happened. Cllr to find out if the CCTV can be used for finding people like this.
 - ii. Action is to find out a more permanent solution. Cllr Ahern to follow up.
- d. New Notice Boards
 - i. Sophie: WIP: 1 Price in to replace the one on Langley. Slightly different: One side for CC and one for the general community.
 - ii. David: School entrance is in progress. Waiting for school to come back to us. Might be better to spend the money on the new one at the school.
 - iii. Possibly move the Langley drive one to the bus stop.
- e. Pedestrian crossing at KPS
 - i. Cllr update: Roads meeting happened on Tuesday. The ask is for crossing to be put in for crossing to the school. Looked at the feasibility of putting a layby in on the school, but there are cables in the way.
 - ii. It is on the list and it is a priority and there are only 8 on the priority list. On the officers now to look at it now. Will wait for them to investigate.
 - iii. Will be a timed set of lights only during school times.

4. Questions from members of the public

- a. Bullying at schools
 - i. Multiple attendees stated that bullying at schools is not taken seriously.
 - ii. Cllr Ahern refuted this claim, but said that he is happy to look into any cases that are brought to his attention. Also urged people to look at the council subcommittee minutes on the matter where these issues are discussed at council to see the action being taken.
- b. Fat Joe's shop still has a broken window.
 - i. How can we make it easier for businesses to succeed, especially for the ones that are succeeding. Case in point is the wine bar in town: Ask her how easy it is and would you do it again. Look at small steps achievable within a timeframe.
 - ii. As a CC we need to support thriving businesses in order to attract more.

5. Ward Councillors Report

- a. Nothing to report

6. Muirhall - Gannochy Path Update

- a. No update. Waiting for a response from Kilmac.

7. Police Reporting

- a. Nothing to report

8. Treasures Report

- a. Still in Jack's hands.

9. Any other business

- a. No apologies from other Cllrs. This is the secretaries fault as he did not invite them.
- b. Secretary to book hall for all upcoming meetings with the Gannochy trust.

10. Date of Next Meeting: 19th March 2026 at 7pm in Gannochy Hall

