



Minutes of the meeting held on
12th March 2025

I. Present/apologies for absence:

- **Present:** Michele Bennett (Chair), Moira Mackay (Treasurer), Ian Rodger (Vice Chair), Hendy Spence (Secretary), Jackie Garvie, Ronnie Garvie
- Rosemary Fraser (Stirling Councillor)
- 3 members of the public
- **Apologies:** None

II. Declaration of interest in any items of business

There were no declarations of interest.

III. Approval of Minutes of last meeting

The previous minutes were approved.

IV. Stirling Councillor's Report

- Councillor Fraser confirmed that provision at Fintry Nursery will not be cut but remains on the table. Stirling Council are trying to get this changed. It was agreed that FCC would set up a sub-group along with Councillor Fraser and representatives from the Fintry Primary School Parents Council to look into the possibility of full-time Nursery provision.
- Council Tax up by 8.8%
- Bin pick up – from old 4 days on, 4 days off. Back to core days of Tuesday to Friday. This will save money.
- Recycling – more management of this on the way.
- Visitor tax coming and may be used to help transport improvement in this area.

V. Police Report

No police report had been provided.

VI. Planning

- A retrospective application for change of use of the land for the use of a_woodworking business and ancillary storage; including an improved access, the addition of hardstanding for parking and the storage of materials and machinery, and the addition of buildings, including a machine store, workshop, tool stores, furniture store, and a caravan on land 340M north of Provanston Farm has been withdrawn.
- It was voted on and agreed that the FCC would provide a second letter of support for the above application when the applicant reapplies.

VII. Finance

- The purchase of a printer for the FCC secretary for £80 was approved.
- It was agreed that an invoice for £540 would be paid for repairs to the generator at Knockraich.

VIII. Resilience update

- Leaky dams – An application to the Princes Trust Countryside Fund has been made for funding. Approximately 60 leaky dams are needed.
- An open day is planned for the end of May. Other community council resilience groups will be invited to illustrate what can be done to improve the situation in areas prone to flooding.
- The next priority is to look at the embankment at the back of the Sports Centre (near the museum) which is being eroded.
- The generator at Knockraich is not working. A mechanic is coming to look at it.
- The defibrillator at the church which was used recently has been checked and is fine.

IX. Roads/paths

- The B834 in Killearn from its junction with the A81 to its junction with Lampson Road will be closed from 0800 hours until 1800 hours from 17-3-25 until 23-3-25 to facilitate surfacing works.
- The B822 in Kippen from its junction with Fore Road to its junction with Glentirranmuir will be closed from 0900 hours until 1700 hours from 17-3-25 until 28-3-25 to facilitate drainage works.
- Back O'Hill from its junction with Drip Road to its junction with Raploch Road will be closed from 0930 hours until 1530 hours from 17-3-25 until 28-3-25 to facilitate tree felling works.
- The from its junction with Station Road (Buchlyvie) to its junction with the A81 and the A875 from its junction with the A811 to its junction with Station Road (Balfron) will be closed from 0900 hours until 1800 hours from 17-3-25 until 30-3-25 to facilitate resurfacing works.
- A bike race is coming through Fintry on the 7th September. It is a charity event organised by Chris Hoy. RG is monitoring this.
- Work on the extension to Cicely's Way is still in progress.

X. Correspondence

- Correspondence has been received regarding a proposed visitor tax.
- Garden bin permits need to be purchased by the 14 April.
- Correspondence has been received regarding fly tipping. This has been investigated but no evidence of fly tipping was found.

XI. Any other business

- The FCC noticeboard is away for repair.
- The proposed Earlsburn Wind Farm extension has been submitted to the Scottish Office.
- The Children's Garden Party date has been set for the 21st June.
- A representative from the Sports Centre enquired about the new lease and why FCC have appointed a solicitor to deal with this. FCC were advised to do this by Stirling Council.

XII. Date of next meeting

- The next FCC meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th April at 7.30 p.m.