

Muckhart Community Council: Minutes	21 June 2023, 7.30pm, Coronation Hall
In Attendance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gillian Thompson (GT) • Andrew Davis (AD) • Jon Jordan (JJ) • Patrick Thompson (PT) • Celia Norton (CN) • Marlene White (MW) • Matthew Pease (MP) • Danny Conroy (DC) • Jonathan Bacon (JB) • Cllr Dennis Coyne (Cllr DC) <p>In attendance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • + 5 members of the Public • Donald Malcolm (Active Dollar)
Apologies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Hardy (CH) • Cllr Kathleen Martin (Cllr KM) • Cllr Scott Harrison (Cllr SH) • PC Barry Ritchie (BR- Police Scotland) • PC Barry Reiter (BR- Police Scotland)
1. Declarations of Interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gillian Thompson is a member of Muckhart Coronation Hall- they have submitted a funding application for MCC Microgrants.
2. Minutes of 24 May 2023 Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 8- Muckhart Nature Park- EPIC has contributed funding to the Nature Park to allow the construction of the Forum etc. <p>Minutes proposed by Jon Jordan and seconded by Marlene White</p>
3. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AD to contact Clacks Council to confirm if the Playpark funding is held within the S75 agreement and what the plans are for consultation on improvement options- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Response from Principal Placemaking Officer at Clackmannanshire Council- ‘The Section 75 Agreement includes a play area contribution of £25,000 to be paid by Springfield to the Council prior to the 12th house in the development being occupied. So, the contribution is not yet due to be paid. I'd anticipate there will be consultation with the community about how the funds should be used once received.’ • Development Trust scoping document produced by previous community council was circulated by PT. • GT to ask Clackmannanshire Council what regulations control the siting of street furniture- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Email sent to Clackamananshire Council

	<p>Action: GT to raise the issue of the style/material of the wall and who is inspecting the quality of work with Clackmannanshire Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GT offered to locate the defib within her garden. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Location of defib still to be agreed as it cant be located within GT garden, possible locations are on a pole at the entrance to Meadowside Crescent or the telephone box AD to comment to Forestry Scotland that new planting shouldn't result in the treeline being visible above Common Edge- Completed AD to progress EDF grants- In progress (see agenda item below)
4. Police Report	<p>The Ward Officers for Clackmannanshire East (Clackmannan, Forestmill, Dollar and Muckhart) can be contacted by calling 101 or by e-mail at:</p> <p>barry.reiter@scotland.pnn.police.uk barry.ritchie@scotland.pnn.police.uk</p> <p>There have been 2 crimes reported since the last meeting. An excavator attachment was stolen overnight from the area of the road works at the hall. Enquiries are being carried out.</p> <p>A resident was subject to fraud where she was tricked into buying gift cards online and supplying the codes to an unknown person. This is a common method used to commit fraud. Information on this subject can be found on the Police Scotland website.</p>
5. Residents Voice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retaining wall between A91 and properties on Golf View/School road is in a poor state of repair. MCC not clear who is responsible for maintenance. <p>Action: AD to enquire who is responsible for with Clackmannanshire Council</p>
6. Active Dollar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malcolm Donald from Active Dollar gave an overview of their proposed Community Sports Hub that would serve the FK14 area. They are interested to understand the needs of residents in Muckhart- lack of transport for young people and those who are not able to drive was highlighted as a barrier to accessing a community sports hub. A decentralised facilities approach was highlighted. Active Dollar are running a festival of sport on 7 October and are also setting up a provider's forum. <p>Action: GT to send a copy of the MCC boundary map to DM.</p>
7. Traffic Calming & Road Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic pillows have now been installed. MCC would like to express its disappointment that they are having no effect in slowing the traffic down as they have such a low profile.

	<p>Action: GT to contact Clackmannanshire Council to ask if the pillars have been built to specification and are adoptable standard.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Road markings have yet to be painted- MCC concerned that the lack of marking for the zebra crossing presents an unacceptable danger to the community. <p>Action- GT to contact Clacks Council to expediate the painting of the road markings.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The previous community council had secured agreement from clacks council to move the 40/30mph boundary at the eastern side of Muckhart to the eastern side of Ballilesk- this has not yet been done <p>Action: JB to follow up with clacks road department.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCC would like a review of the traffic calming in Muckhart once works have been completed.
8. Foundation Scotland/ED F Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCC launched its microgrant and community event fund and received 3 applications for the microgrants totalling £1500 and 4 applications for the community event fund totalling £1750. MCC approved all funding requests (some with additional conditions). £1000 is left over in the microgrant fund and £1250 for community events- MCC approved a 2nd round with decisions at the next MCC meeting on 6 Sept. <p>Action: AD to notify successful applicants and launch 2nd funding round over the summer.</p>
9. School path flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clacks Council has transferred the s75 money to Muckhart PS for the school path improvement project. Muckhart PS would manage the project. It was noted that the path seems to flood more frequently- it is hoped that the improvement project will address this.
10. Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCC agreed to set up a community councillor WhatsApp to ease communication between meetings. <p>Action: GT to set up.</p>
11. Development Trust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paper from previous community council exploring options has been circulated <p>Action: GT, PT and MP to meet to progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rumbling Bridge Hydro scheme will use Foundation Scotland to distribute funding to the benefit communities this year.
12. Sub Groups	
a) Meadow side Crescent	<p>Bus Stop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clacks Council was not informed about the move of the bus shelter and stop. It is a temporary move to allow construction of the wall- once this has been completed the bus shelter and stop will be moved back

	<p>Entrance Wall Springfield obtained permission from Clacks Council to change the type of stone used. Clacks Council satisfied the wall is compatible with the conservation status of Muckhart.</p> <p>landscaping/planting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trees can only be planted in the months of May and November and only after the 15th house has been built. A query was raised asking who is monitoring the sycamore tree as construction work is taking place near to the tree. <p>Action: CN to ask Springfield how they are monitoring the sycamore tree.</p> <p>Site Boundary Type of fence from the plans is unclear- further information on the abbreviations used is being sought.</p> <p>House Sales 1 house sold and occupants have moved in, 4 reserved and 4 for sale.</p> <p>SUDS Pond This has been constructed too close the boundary of the site- it requires a 5m maintenance strip. Scottish Water will not adopt the SUDS pond as it does not conform to specifications. Springfield is in discussion with neighbouring landowner. Public access to Drumburn and Maudies lane will be kept.</p>
b) Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Street lighting in Kirkhill/Cairns Place is waiting for SSE connection.
c) Flood Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work in Glebe field has been completed Approval for works on Woodland Trust property is sitting with their legal department
d) Muckhart Resilience Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Awaiting reply from Hall Committee for the generator proposal.
e) Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approval for works to Ancrum Cottage was given. Tree felling at Muckhart Golf Course and neighbouring property will take place this autumn. Place Plan subgroup has met and has agreed 3 phases- listening, discussion and publishing. Further work needs to be carried out to understand funding and methods. Would like plan to be completed by end 2024 <p>Action: GT and Place Plan Subgroup</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MCC planning policy- GT is providing comment on sewage, traffic and flooding.
13. Muckhart Primary School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pupils were involved with the Glebe field wildflower planting Pupils are building dog poo bag holders School is achieving a high percentage of pupils walking/cycling to school. School has purchased new football strips. MCC are interested to find out how the school will manage the expansion of the school role as a result of Meadowside Crescent.

	Action: AD to contact school
14. Treasurers Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Account statement sent to CClrs- no comment • MCC requires a new independent examiner- a few names were suggested. • The pop up police officer is broken again and can't be repaired- MCC approved the purchase of a replacement. Action: DC and JB to purchase new pop up Police Officer
15. AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • none
16. Date of next meeting	Wednesday 6 September 2023, 7.30pm, Coronation Hall- this will also be the AGM.