

Muckhart Community Council: Minutes	<b>25 January 2023, 7.30pm, Coronation Hall</b>
<b>In Attendance:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gillian Thompson (GT)</li> <li>• Matthew Pease (MP)</li> <li>• Danny Conroy (DC)</li> <li>• Andrew Davis (AD)</li> <li>• Jon Jordan (JJ)</li> <li>• Patrick Thompson (PT)</li> <li>• Jonathan Bacon (JB)</li> <li>• Chris Hardy (CH)</li> <li>• Celia Norton (CN)</li> </ul> <p>In attendance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Scott Harrison (Cllr SH)</li> <li>• Cllr Dennis Coyne (Cllr DC)</li> <li>• PC Barry Ritchie (BR- Police Scotland)</li> <li>• + 2 members of the Public</li> </ul>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marlene White</li> <li>• PC Barry Reiter</li> <li>• Cllr Kathleen Martin</li> </ul>
<b>1. Declarations of Interest</b>	None
<b>2. Minutes of 26 January 2022 Meeting</b>	Minutes proposed by Jon Jordan and seconded by Jonathan Bacon
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. amendments to traffic calming <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reported that final design coming to a conclusion and work should start soon. <b>Action: Cllr Coyne/Harrison to enquire about nature of amendment to approved traffic calming scheme.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>2. AD to explore options with resident and funder regarding unclaimed EDF Burnfoot grant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receipts for expenditure have been submitted and paid- a couple of small outstanding activities to be completed.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Ask Cllr Coyne to investigate why taxis firms not serving Muckhart <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Action: Cllr Coyne to establish the principles of the taxi license scheme.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Celia Norton to lead the production of a welcome pack <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome Pack in production- reviewed existing information and is clarifying final content</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

	<p>5. Jonathan Bacon to speak to the school about possibility of their involvement in a dog poo campaign</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Muckhart PS pupils designing posters. MCC will print/laminate winning designs. <b>Action: JB to ask Muckhart PS sustainability group if they would like to build dog poo bag holders.</b></li></ul> <p>6. Chair to invite Stuart Cullen (Clackmannanshire Council Roads) to Jan meeting to discuss traffic calming/road safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MCC will discuss road safety when know outcome of amendments to speed reduction measures.</li></ul> <p>7. Chair to send pictures to CH for forwarding to Springfield-Sediment in burn. PT will follow up with SEPA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concern was expressed about drainage and silt build-up as a result of the building scheme</li><li>• <b>Action: GT to report &amp; send pictures to SEPA.</b></li></ul> <p>8. Chair and JB to progress review of infrastructure group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carried forward to next meeting</li></ul> <p>9. JB to arrange meeting with Village Hall to progress resilience plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• See agenda item</li></ul> <p>10. AD to confirm amount that can be awarded to individuals in MCC grant guidance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maximum amount that can be awarded to individuals is £250.</li></ul> <p>11. Dog breeding license- MCC to refer issue to Cllr Coyne to follow up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Clackmannanshire Council couldn't take residents objection into account. Residents considering options- this could include escalating to MSP.</li></ul> <p>12. MP to send DC draft AGM minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Completed</li></ul> <p>13. AD to send JB last 6 months minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Completed</li></ul>
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<p><b>4. Police Report</b></p>	<p>The Community Police Officers for Clackmannanshire East (Clackmannan, Forestmill, Dollar and Muckhart) can be contacted by calling 101 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:barry.reiter@scotland.pnn.police.uk">barry.reiter@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a> <a href="mailto:barry.ritchie@scotland.pnn.police.uk">barry.ritchie@scotland.pnn.police.uk</a></p> <p>In the last month two crimes have been reported in the last month.</p> <p>One was related to a fence which was damaged in a hit and run collision.</p> <p>The other matter related to an attempt to overcome the security of a parked car.</p> <p>A number of thefts from dwellings in Dollar are currently under investigation. The thieves have targeted vehicles and high value jewellery. Whilst this issue has not directly affected Muckhart yet it is in very close proximity. Please consider your own security arrangements and the storage of high value items in your home.</p> <p><b><u>COMMUNITY ISSUES</u></b></p> <p>We now have access to the neighbourhood alerts through the Neighbourhood Watch Scotland website. Anyone can sign up to receive these alerts via the link below</p> <p><a href="#">Neighbourhood Watch Scotland   Sign-up for alerts - Neighbourhood Watch Scotland</a></p> <p>Facebook and Twitter – Community Messages can be placed on local Police sites via the Community Sergeant.</p> <p>Any relevant information can be passed on by contacting police on 101 or anonymously to Crime Stoppers on 0800 555111.</p>
<p><b>5. Residents Voice</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New streetlighting in Kirkhill/Cairns Place- the general view is that they are not appropriate for the village and conservation area status. <b>Action: Cllr Coyne &amp; Harrison to ask clacks council rationale for new streetlighting, was the conservation area considered, could they be painted black, what type of light units?</b></li> <li>• Additional issues with streetlighting installation are that the residents were told work would only be 3 weeks, the work has now taken nearly 3 months. The tarmac finish on the cabling trenches was not sealed correctly and is now breaking up</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abandoned cars: a number of abandoned cars were discussed. <b>Action: PC Ritchie to contact owners of car near to Mona's to ask them to remove the car. Cllr Coyne/Harrison to find out protocol for abandoned cars on council land.</b></li> </ul>
<b>6. Traffic Calming &amp; Road Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concern about speed of Meadowside Crescent sub-contractors lorries was expressed. <b>Action: Cllr Coyne to check with Clacks Planning to see if this is a contravention of the planning consent.</b></li> <li>The principle of reducing traffic speed is firstly build infrastructure to manage speed, then take actions to control speed. Current traffic calming scheme is designed for a 30mph speed limit and not the current 20mph speed limit in the village which is advisory.</li> </ul>
<b>7. Development Trust</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MCC has been invited by Rumbling Bridge Community Hydro Society to set up a Muckhart Community Benefit Fund that can distribute grants from the Society. <b>Action: AD to progress with MP.</b></li> </ul>
<b>8. Sub Groups</b>	
<b>a) Meadowside Crescent</b>	<p>CH &amp; GT reported on meeting with Jim Ravney (Springfield)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Confirmed by Springfield that the foul water pipe goes east west within the development site boundary – so at least for the foul connection – no road closure will be needed</li> <li>Water pressure – suggested by Springfield that issues reported were possibly caused by Scottish Water maintenance.</li> <li>Floodlighting –Springfield apologises for this as the lights are a security measure. However they are meant to be operating off a sensor and not running all the time. Either something was triggering the sensor (windy conditions?) or the sensor was faulty. However this is no excuse and the lights will be angled down to prevent shining into the village and the sensor checked. Springfield are also looking at a night vision camera to see if the this is a better solution.</li> <li>vehicle with flashing lights – again apologies -the site manager will re-iterate to all workers that all machinery must be checked and shut down before leaving site.</li> <li>Street Lighting – Springfield applied to the council for the street lighting specifications as part of the adoption consent. The street lighting specifications were prepared by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party consultant (Aspect Lighting Design Co Drawing Ref PDI.38.22). However, the application to Roads for construction consent may or may not be publicly available –If further queries Clacks Roads might be able to help.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subcontractor lorries – Springfield are issuing a warning to the current company regarding traffic management out with the site and their contract obligations</li> <li>• Swearing – Springfield unreservedly apologise for this – the site manager is warning all onsite about their conduct.</li> <li>• Sales go live on 28/1 and the sales cabin located at the entrance will be open from Wednesday to Sunday incl – 10 am to 5pm. The sales person will be a Susan Blanney Flannigan. Car parking will be available within the site.</li> <li>• Springfield have confirmed that the planned replacement laburnum trees will go in as part of the landscaping plan already agreed.</li> <li>• The show home should be open April/May and sales will move into the house and car parking will be available in front.</li> <li>• Electricity is now supplied to site so no need for the generator however there is no supply to the sales cabin so a generator will be needed there whilst the cabin is in use.</li> <li>• The water run off continues to be full of silt. SEPA is still on overwatch. MCC again reported using photos.</li> <li>• Springfield has applied for an order re traffic lights to facilitate various works. Being actively considered by Clacks. MCC discussed the possibility of moving further traffic queuing outwith the village to avoid the congestion etc experienced previously.</li> <li>• Changes to building material to boundary stone wall were raised. <b>Action: Cllr Coyne to enquire if planning condition for boundary wall has been amended</b></li> <li>• Advertising flags and signage at site entrance. <b>Action: Cllr Coyne to enquire if this is within their permitted development rights</b></li> </ul>
<b>b) Infrastructure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Awaiting a response</li> </ul>
<b>c) Flood Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with landowners and stakeholders to be held soon, hopefully landowner consent will be in place shortly. Work expected to start summer 2023.</li> <li>• Discussion followed about the detail of the scheme, including the possibility of bringing the East Drain into the scheme. <b>Action: DC will now lead the flood group.</b></li> </ul>
<b>d) Muckhart Resilience Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting with Village Hall to be arranged to agree responsibilities and duty holders. <b>Action JB to arrange meeting with Village Hall to progress.</b></li> </ul>

<p><b>e) Planning</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new planning applications</li> <li>• Subgroup led by PT (plus residents) has been convened to review and update MCC policy on development in the village. <b>Action: PT to provide update of review at next MCC meeting</b></li> <li>• MCC agreed to form a new subgroup convened to progress the development of a local place plan for Muckhart. Group to be led by JB, members include PT and a local resident. <b>Action: Sub group to meet to draft a plan for developing local place plan and report to next MCC meeting.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>10. Muckhart Primary School</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clacks council in discussion with school about school path improvements.</li> </ul>
<p><b>11. informal MCC newsletter subscribers priorities survey</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to those who replied- some main themes emerged but low responses made information less valuable.</li> </ul>
<p><b>11. Treasurers Report</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Account statement sent to CCLrs- no comment</li> </ul>
<p><b>12. AOCB</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coronation Hall is seeking a MCC CCLr to be a committee member. GT was nominated.</li> <li>• Enabling Projects in Clackmannanshire- JJ reported final grant process will be finalised by 16 February, grants will be for paths, historic built landscapes etc. <b>Action: JJ to distribute information on grants when available.</b></li> <li>• Friends of the Ochil highlighted proposed windfarm to the north of Carnbo, wind turbines will be 220m high. Further information at <a href="#">Scottish Government - Energy Consents Unit - Application Details</a></li> </ul>
<p><b>13. Date of next meeting</b></p>	<p>Wednesday 22 March 2023, 7.30pm, Coronation Hall</p>