

	Muckhart Community Council: Minutes 15th October 2025
In attendance	• Gillian Thompson (GT), Chair • Matthew Pease, (MP), Vice Chair • Danny Conroy (DJC), Treasurer • Marion Riddell (MR), Secretary • Jonathan Bacon (JB) • Jon Jordan (JJ) • Greig Ness (GN) In attendance: • Cllr Denis Coyne
Apologies	• Celia Norton (CN) • Neil Rodger (NR) • Ann Wilson (AW) • Cllr Kathleen Martin • Cllr Scott Harrison • PC Barry Reiter • PC Barry Ritchie
1. Introductions	
2. Declarations of interest	GT declared an interest in a current planning application.
3. Minutes of 3rd September 2025 meeting	Proposed by JJ and seconded by GN.
4. Matters arising	• Discussion took place on Defibrillator First Aid training for MCC members and possibly other groups. • MCC are grateful to the Community Payback Unpaid Work Team for their excellent refurbishment of the bench at Yetts of Muckhart. It was agreed that as the bench at Maudies Loan was unused and in a poor state of repair, it might be removed at some point. • Discussion on the purchase of a replacement Pop Up Bob took place. • GT had raised the Resilience Plan with the Hall Committee, with a view to reviewing it for emergency planning, making the Plan public and facilitating funding applications. Action: ○ MR/CN to arrange First Aid training for MCC. ○ JB to purchase a replacement Pop Up Bob. ○ Two MCC representatives to meet with Hall Committee representatives to form a Resilience Team and progress the Resilience Plan.
5. Police report	• No crimes had been committed since the previous meeting.
6. Residents voice	• GN raised recent fly tipping of furniture and other items on the Water Treatment road, which he will report to Scottish Water. • GT and others have reported the water leak at the east end of the village on the A91 to Scottish Water and test results are awaited to determine who is responsible for fixing this.

7. Active Dollar and Muckhart	• JB and MR had attended a very useful site visit with Shirley Paterson, Clackmannanshire Council's Active Travel Officer, in connection with a possible Active Travel route between Muckhart and Dollar. • GT and MR had attended a meeting with Active Dollar and Muckhart (ADM), Dollar Community Development Trust (DCDT) and Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface (CTSI) to discuss establishment of ADM as a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO). It had been agreed to pursue this, notwithstanding ongoing delays in the development of Devon Way Sports Park and football playing and changing facilities. It is understood that this is due to longstanding difficulties in relation to interpretation of a Section 75 provision. • MR stated that progress is being made on developing a second Walking and Cycling route map which will cover Muckhart, Dollar, Gartmorn Dam and Forestmill, following a successful funding application. Action: - work to continue progressing AT route option discussions and development of the second walking and cycling route maps.
8. Foundation Scotland/EDF Funding	• The second round of the MCC Microgrant and Event Fund had resulted in three Microgrant applications and four Event Fund applications being approved with one Microgrant application deferred for further information. Awards were restricted in two cases and subject to conditions. • MP reported that additional funding had recently been added to the Rumbling Bridge Hydro Community Fund also managed by Foundation Scotland. Some of the fund may be made available in future for a community wealth fund. Action: - successful MCC award letters to be issued.
9. Traffic calming and road safety	• Traffic calming improvement work is ongoing on the Meadowside Crescent junction. Discussion is still taking place between Clackmannanshire Council and Springfield Homes on an amended speed table for the west end of the village. • The existing bus shelter opposite Mona's has been temporarily moved during the current road works. It was agreed that it should be reinstated in due course pending any discussion on a suitable replacement.
10. Development of Local Place Plan (LPP) and Community Action Plan (CAP)	• MR confirmed that the draft plan is now out for consultation until 29th October under the statutory 28-day Information Notice Period. An easy read summary had been added to the website to aid survey completion. • It was agreed that it would be helpful to hold a community drop in event to show the proposals and projects, answer questions and enable survey completion.
11. Consideration of a Development Trust	• This is on hold pending finalisation of the Community Plan.
12. Community Transport	• MR reported that the Glenfarg Community Transport Group Digital Demand Responsive Transport (DDRT) pilot has been extended for 3 months, subject to funding being secured. MR and some pilot users were to attend a pilot development discussion event the following day as part of Community Transport Week.

	MR also stated that Clackmannanshire Council had recently considered a Sustainable Transport report which includes short term actions to develop a Hubs-based Demand Responsive Transport (DRT) system and community-led services for unserved routes.
13. Sub groups	
a) Meadowside Crescent	Section 75 Planning gain projects <u>School Path Improvement:</u> - It is hoped that work to complete this will be carried out soon. <u>Playpark Improvement Project</u> - Cllr Coyne has agreed to seek Clackmannanshire Council feedback on delays in taking this project forward.
b) Flood management	A volunteer day on maintenance work on the flood defence measures at the Nature Park had been undertaken.
c) Muckhart Community resilience plan	Discussion on this item was covered under Matters Arising.
d) Planning	Planning applications - MR stated that the updated planning log had been circulated. <u>Wester Moss, Yetts of Muckhart</u> Erection Of Stable Block Building and Associated Hardstanding (Partly Retrospective) - Now approved. <u>Hillcrest Baldiesburn, Pool of Muckhart</u> Installation Of Garden Room Building to East of House (Retrospective) - Now approved <u>Ochil View, Pool of Muckhart</u> Alterations, Extension to Rear of House and Extension to Provide First Floor Accommodation, Demolition of Existing Stable - MCC had provided a statement of support. <u>Woodcroft, Pool of Muckhart</u> Alterations and part demolition of existing extension, and two storey extension to side of house - Under consideration.
14. Muckhart Primary School	
15. Treasurer's Report	DJC had circulated this prior to the meeting, and it was noted.
16. AOCB	Training for new councillors is still to be provided by Clackmannanshire Council.
17.	Date of next meeting: 26th November 2025.