



Thornton Community Council

Draft Minutes of the public meeting held on

01/05/2024 @ 7pm

In Thornton Bowling Club

1. Meeting Attendance:

Community Councillors	Dorothy Herd (DH) [Chair], Euan Ross (ER) (Treasurer & Vice Chair), , Jean Laird (Secretary) (JL), Christine Ross (CR), , Dawn Taylor (DT).
Fife Councillors	Cllr Ross Vettraino, Cllr Daniel Wilson,
Community Police	-
Apologies	Community Police, Heather Paterson (HP) (Vice Chair) Izzy Anderson (IA), Ray Duncan (RD) John Laing (JoL)
Absentees	Cllr Derek Noble

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Held on:	03/04/2024		
Proposed by:	CR	Seconded by:	DT

Review of Actions:

Action no.	Details	Owner	Target date	Details
24.01-01	Update on pavement repairs & cleaning c/fwd	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-02	Contact N. Simpson for quote on Perspex notice board	DH	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-03	Park lights fault	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01.04	Defibrillators	ER	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-06	Unadopted road at primary school	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-11	Christmas lights storage and switch on	JL & ER	Ongoing	Ongoing

	event arrangements. Plus liaise with TR Band			
24.01-12	Community Event (29 June)-progress and set date. Liaise with TR Band and other community organisations. Subcommittee to be formed.	DH	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-13	Hanging baskets/tubs +community gardening. Establish price and progress search for sponsors	JL	Ongoing	Complete for 2024 season. Revisit 2025.
24.02-2	JL mentioned flood at South end of village and litter on verges due to un-netted lorries travelling from Fife Council depot towards Kirkcaldy. RV noted to follow up.	Councillors	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.02-3	CR mentioned Station Road flooding	Councillors	Ongoing	Complete
24.02-5	HP mentioned bus stop opposite Fish Hoose is dangerous due to being hit by a bus. RV noted for follow up.	Councillors	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.02-6	Two Park lights are faulty (inc. car park) RV noted for follow up.	Councillors	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.03-2	Alert public to rules on waste disposal	JL	03/04/2024	Ongoing
24.03-3	Contact FC re defibrillator siting Flutorum Ave.	DW	03/04/2024	Next location DW to share further info
24.04-1	Contact Fife Council for further details and impact of Parks decentralisation	DW	01/05/2024	No substantive change for CCs. Complte
24.04-2	Share reporting number for damaged bus stop with DW	JL	01/05/2024	Reporting number shared. Repair not completed yet.
24.04-3	Follow up on silt clearing from Lochty Burn	DW	01/05/2024	Ongoing

24.04-5	Share Party in park poster with DW	HP	01/05/2024	Ongoing
24.04-6	Follow up on path clearance next steps	JL	01/05/2024	Ongoing
24.04-7	Update on Doctor's appointment system complaint	DH	01/05/2024	Complaint lodged (DH) Invite practice manager to July meeting.
24.04-8	DoubleDykes story to be shared with SFCC	HP	01/05/2024	Ongoing

3. Fife Councillor's Update:

No update

4. Community Police Update:

See Appendix 1

Pursue joint project with Coaltown Speed Watch-advertise and try to set up Speed Watch team. DW discussed funding for an additional officer for antisocial behaviour.

5. Treasurer's Report

See Appendix 2- Next meeting will be AGM

6. Secretary's Report

See Appendix 3

7. LPP

Now at statutory consultation stage. JL attended Fife Council support meeting with PAS and was reassured that Thornton's LPP is moving forward appropriately towards submission.

8. Community Event

ER & MB to submit required paperwork within 2 weeks. Deposit paid to World Of Parties. MB to approach local business re food. Kids to get free ice cream and goody bag. 450 tickets to be distributed. JL to speak to school once/if funding obtained from Middle Balbeggie Fund.

9. Fife Association of Community Councils

Meeting in April 29 CC members from across Fife were present. Attendees agreed to continue meeting and share ideas and information. SRUC Elmwood was

discussed. Approved participation request from Elie & Earlsferry. N. Glenrothes Maggie -secretary-wrote to FC to enquire re procedure to form Fife Association. Fife Council gave a negative response to the suggestion of establishing a formal association- dissuading formation of formal body. Meetings to continue quarterly.

10.AOCB

- A member of the public shared that footpaths at Pond on the South side of Thornton are flooded and damaged and there are uprooted trees. JL to enquire with Alex Donald regarding maintenance and repair of these paths by the landowner.

11. Date of next meeting:

Monday 3/6/2024 AGM notice

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24.01-03	Park lights fault	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01.04	Defibrillators	ER	Ongoing	Ongoing. Only one more site to progress,
24.01-06	Unadopted road at primary school	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-11	Christmas lights storage and switch on event arrangements. Plus liaise with TR Band	JL & ER	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-12	Community Event (29 June)	DH	Ongoing	Ongoing-event forms to be submitted.
24.02-2	JL mentioned flood at South end of village and litter on verges due to un-netted lorries travelling from Fife Council depot towards Kirkcaldy. RV noted to follow up.	Councillors	Ongoing	Ongoing. Flood sign remains in place.
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24.05.01	Pursue Speed watch joint initiative wit Milton & Coaltown of Balgonie CC	JL	03/06/2024	
24.05-02	Contact School re Party in the Park	JL		

Appendix 1 Community Police Report

Ward/ Community Council

Thornton Community Council

Report prepared by

PC Campbell

Antisocial Behaviour

During the period from the last meeting reports of youth disorder in the area remain low however there have been a small number of reports of damage to property in the area. Enquiries are ongoing to identify persons responsible for these.

There has been one crime of violence reported to Police and the offender has been reported to the PF.

There are still reports of off road bikes being driven throughout Glenrothes and efforts continue to seize these vehicles and identify offenders where possible.

Road Safety

There have been 3 road traffic offences reported to the Police all of which have been reported to the PF.

There remain reports of vehicles travelling at high speeds through the village and with that in mind Speeder deployments have been carried out to deal with offenders in the appropriate manner.

A Community Speedwatch initiative has been set up in Coaltown and is going well with several deployments already. It is hoped to roll this out in Thornton, interest from volunteers permitting.

Acquisitive Crime

There have been several reports of theft of property and enquiries continue at this time to identify persons responsible.

As highlighted in the previous reports, individuals continue to try handles of doors on cars and properties during the hours of daylight and darkness across Glenrothes.

Continued vigilance is still required and requested making sure that handles of doors and windows to vehicles and properties are secure at all times.

Substance Misuse

There have been several reports of possession of illegal substances which have mainly been dealt with by way of Recorded Police Warnings to offenders as they are low level amounts.

Officers are continuing to gather intelligence regarding the use and sale of controlled substances in the area and relevant stop and search powers will be used where appropriate.

Overall Summary

Speeder deployments to continue when possible to deal with speeding offenders.

Mobile patrols from officers will continue to deter opportunist offenders in relation to thefts.

Continued efforts are being made to combat the speed of vehicles travelling throughout the village as well as illegal use of off road bikes.

Appendix 2 Treasurer's Report

Thornton Community Council
Summary accounts to 29/04/2024

FPO = Foster Payment Out
FPI = Foster Payment In
INT = Interest

	Value	Chq. No.	Payee
Opening bank balance	£15,044.36		
Payments			
02-Apr	-£1,100.00	FPO	File Council - Xmas lights
05-Apr	-£100.00	FPO	Microgrant
05-Apr	-£60.00	FPO	Thornton Pensioners Welfare Committee - hall hire
15-Apr	-£235.00	FPO	Station Road notice board
19-Apr	-£427.81		3 Dorothy Herd - Thornton Community Food Support Microgrant
29-Apr	-£475.00	FPO	World of Parties - Deposit for Party in the Park
Credits			
09-Apr	£4.68	INT	Instant saver account
19-Apr	£65.00	FPI	Leverance Adams - Tree for park
Closing bank balance	<u>£12,716.23</u>		
Opening petty cash balance	£12.19		
Payments			
03-Apr	-£72.19		Dorothy Herd - Thornton Community Food Support Microgrant
Credits			
03-Apr	£60.00		Ray Duncan - Tree for park
Closing petty cash balance	<u>£0.00</u>		
Pending transactions	Nil		
Reserved funds			
	-£3,970.64		Foundation Scotland (Microgrant fund)
	-£411.50		Foundation Scotland (Xmas lights remaining funds)
	-£900.00		Foundation Scotland (1st aid training)
	-£1,492.20		Green Fingers funding
Total committed funds	<u>-£6,774.34</u>		
			NOTES: 2023-24 accounts audit complete. AGM required
TOTAL UNRESERVED FUNDS	£5,941.89		

Appendix 3

Secretary's Report 01052024

Planning

Planning applications submitted -Nil	
Address	Application summary
Address:	
Address:	

Planning applications approved -Nil	
Address	Application summary
Nil	

Planning applications rejected -Nil	
Address	Application summary
Nil	

LPP

- Statutory consultation period underway.
- No feedback
- Attended Milton & Coaltown of Balgonie
- Contacted all statutory consultees

- Paper copies deposited in Bowling Club & Pensioner's Hut
- Elected members need to contact again for acknowledgement.
- Community Councils need contacted again for acknowledgement.
- Largoward CC want to use our layout.
- Jenny Gilruth has said she will support us and will write to us.
- Must be submitted by end of June

Planters and baskets

- Norma Aitken- planter at North End, potential sponsorship.
- Sponsorship of planters. Plan for 2025.

Double Dykes

- Network Rail no response to email re attendance at meeting on 1st May.
- Heather progressing complaint with Fife Council and Scottish Government.
- Bridges- issues with insolvency.
- Tree planting at DoubleDykes-land deal not finalised

Path Clearance

- This has been carried forward again. Various correspondence. This needs to be concluded.

Roths Medical Practice

- Response to last correspondence sites issues with other systems and assert that they are using the Fife NHS system for calls/appointments.

Trees

- Heather has been busy collecting and caring for several large trees gifted by Balgonie estates to the village. Thank you email was sent to Kingdom Farming, and more to follow on a new tree planting project.

Water in Park thanks A Pearson watering

Other general correspondence forwarded to all Community Councillors

- Markinch Heritage Society- sharing of events.
- SEPA Flood Survey- complete by 24 June.
- King's portrait to be sent to us.
- Participation request proposals conference 15/5/24-J. Laird to attend
- Eastern Green Link consultation -Scottish Power
- NHS green space projects
- Deafblind awareness training