



Thornton
Community
Council

**Draft Minutes of the public meeting held on
03.02.25 @ 7pm
Thornton Bowling Club**

• **Meeting Attendance:**

Community Councillors	Euan Ross (ER) (Treasurer & Chair), John Laing (JoL), Christine Ross (CR), Izzy Anderson (IA), Sal Henderson (SH) Gordon Mclay (GM)
Fife Councillors	Cllr Derek Noble,
Community Police	Amanda Maxwell
Safer Communities Apologies	Cllr Daniel Wilson, Cllr Ross Vettriano, Jean Laird (Secretary), Ray Duncan (RD), Dawn Taylor, (DT) Community Police
Absentees	

• **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

Held on:	09.12.24		
Proposed by:	JoL	Seconded by:	GM

2 Review of Actions:

Action no.	Details	Owner	Target date	Details
24.01-03	Park lights fault	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.01-06	Unadopted road at primary school	RV	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.02-06	Two Park lights are faulty (inc. car park) RV noted for follow up.	Councillors	Ongoing	Ongoing
24.04-06	Follow up on path clearance next steps	ER	03/02/2024	ER to pursue quote in correct format
24.04-07	Update on Doctor's appointment system complaint	RD-EU	01/05/2024	ER awaiting further response

24.05-01	Pursue Speed watch joint initiative with Milton & Coaltown of Balgonie CC	ER	03/06/2024	Fife Community Council & Giffordtown CC liaison underway
24.07-02	Danger presented by a large open drain on Strathore Road. Investigation and action required.	DW & RV	05/08/2024	Roads and Transportation to follow up
24.07-06	Planter to be altered and base improved	JL	05/08/2024	Ongoing
24.08-02	Park Gardens ask for support from Fife Council Gardeners	DN	02/09/2024	ongoing chase up
24.08-06	Liaise with Clean and Clear re park gate area	HP	02/09/2024	ongoing
24.11-01	Food Hygiene and allergy training completed	JL, SH, CR & IA	09/12/2024	completed
24.11-05	SH to be added to bank account signatory	ER	09/12/2024	ongoing
24.11-07	ER to contact Stagecoach re busses being cancelled and re service to Edinburgh from Thornton	ER	09/12/2024	Ongoing
24.12-01	JL to arrange baskets and planters for 2025 with FIB Horticulture	JL	03/02/2024	ongoing

3 Treasurer's Report (Appendix 1)

4 Secretary's Report (Appendix 2)

5 Community Police and Safer Communities Update.

THORNTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT 03/02/2025

Report prepared by

PC Bryan Campbell

Antisocial Behaviour

Calls to Brown Crescent and Ford Crescent have reduced significantly of late.

A report of youths smashing bottles at Thornton Bowling Club was received however on attendance no youths were traced and no CCTV captured the incident. The council was thereafter contacted to clear up the mess.

A report of aggressive dogs was made in relation to an address in Ford Crescent, enquiries are ongoing.

1 person has been reported to the PF for threatening and Abusive Behaviour.

Youth Disorder

A report was received in relation to youths causing damage to the railway station electrical gates and other equipment there.

British Transport Police are carrying out enquiries as is their remit to identify those responsible.

Officers will carry out hi-visibility patrols to deter and detect any criminality.

Road Safety

There have been 2 reports of dangerous driving in Thornton since the last meeting.

Enquiries are ongoing into both incidents.

2 persons have been reported for careless driving since the last report.

A vehicle was reported to have struck a property on Main Street and driven off. Enquiries are ongoing to identify the driver.

Off Road Vehicles

Off road vehicles including trail bikes and electric motorbikes continue to be an issue across Glenrothes in the better weather however reports have decreased of late.

Officers continue gathering intel from members of the public regarding any incidents involving off road vehicles and all offenders will be dealt with robustly.

Acquisitive Crime

Shopliftings within the area continue to be reported on a regular basis and local officers continually make efforts to identify offenders through CCTV reviews.

Opportunists continue to try car doors and property doors with the intention of stealing items and residents are still requested to be vigilant making sure all doors and windows are locked.

One report was made from a resident of a theft of a wallet, a significant amount of cash and a bank card. This seems to be a theft by finding and enquiries are ongoing to identify the offender.

Substance Misuse

1 person has been given a Recorded Police warning for possession of cannabis.

Officers continue to build and act on intelligence received regarding controlled substances within the area.

Safer Communities – Amanda Maxwell

Identified where electric scooters, bikes coming from and monitoring situation

More pressure required on railway company to secure wood area

Members of public asked to pass on intel to Police - can do this online

It was noted that when reports are made, it is important to keep consistency with the subject naming to ensure same or similar reports are linked together. Safer Communities cards were issued for distribution and the information will be placed on the Thornton Facebook page.

6. Flooding

No info at this time – Cllrs not in attendance to discuss

7. Mackies Mill Bridge:

No info at this time – Cllrs not in attendance to discuss

8. Fife Councillors Update

Cllr Derek Noble
Fallen trees at Park – F/C inundated after storm (been highlighted to Brian Taylor)
The site at the Ore bridge to the south of the village where a new sewage pipe was installed around three years ago still has Herras fencing to prevent access. A proper fence is required to complete the site.
Library sign to be removed from Main St / Strathore Rd junction
Parking sign missing from ex Doctor's surgery & library site
Auto Radar sign not working properly at south end of village
False speed cushions in village – visual indicators need re-painted

DN to
feedback

9. Primary School Links:

JL & SH attended meeting at Friends of Thornton Primary School Council – they advised that the Coffee Morning didn't have much interest
Suggestion was to combine the coffee morning with Christmas light event – using the Thornton Hall
SH & CR to judge Christmas light competition
The CC were asked to judge the poetry competition, but it was cancelled due to storm damage to the school buildings.

10. Train Station Renaming

JoL received a letter stating the application did not meet the criteria – did not demonstrate the support from community – however 840 signatures were obtained via online petition. This has been forwarded to Jenny Gilruth to support the meeting arranged 7.3.25 with Scotrail/ Jenny Gilruth and JoL to ask for further clarity of requirements.

11.Sponsorship of Planters

May look to cover baskets and planters from grant funding this year as maybe too late to involve local businesses – planting is May/June and if business sponsor they will have a sticker on planter/basket of the named business	To discuss further
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12 AOCB

Party in the Park date set for 7.6.25 Require meeting with representatives from Thornton Hibs Discussed having as non-ticket event (1 st come 1 st served basis) For insurance purposes can only hold 500 people maximum	To discuss further
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Date of next meeting: **3.3.25**

Actions:

Action no.	Details	Owner	Target date	Details
24.01-3	Park Light Faults	RV	Ongoing	ongoing
24.01-6	Unadopted road at Primary School	RV	Ongoing	ongoing
24.4-7	Update on Doctors appointment system complaint	RD-ER	03/03/2025	ER awaiting further response
24.05-1	Pursue Speed Watch joint initiative with Milton & Coaltown of Balgonie CC	ER	03/03/2025	Fife Community Council & Giffordtown CC liaison underway
24.07-2	Danger presented by a large open drain on Strathore Road. Investigation and action required	DW & RV	03/03/2025	Roads and transportation to follow up
24.07-6	Planter to be altered and base improved	JL	03/03/2025	ongoing
24.08-2	Park Gardens ask for support from Fife Council Gardeners	DN	03/03/2025	DN to report back
24.08-6	Liaise with Clean and Clear re park gate area	ER	03/03/2025	ongoing
24.11-5	SH to be added as bank account signatory	ER	03/03/2025	ongoing

24.12-1	JL to arrange baskets and planters for 2025 with FIB Horticulture	JL	03/03/2025	ongoing
25.02-1	Fallen trees in park	DN	03/03/2025	DN to contact Brian Taylor (FC)
25.02-2	Library sign to be removed	DN	03/03/2025	DN to update
25.02-3	Park Place sign missing	DN	03/03/2025	DN to update
25.02-4	Parking sign missing at library – No longer obvious it is a public car park	DN	03/03/2025	DN to update
25.02-5	Auto Radar sign not working (speed sign) – South end	DN	03/03/2025	DN to update
25.02-6	Visual indicators on roads not clear – need to be repainted	DN	03/03/2025	DN to update
25.02-7	Sponsorship of planters	TCC	03/03/2025	Discuss further
25.02-8	Christmas Light competition	CR SH	03/03/2025	CR SH to Judge
25.02-9	Party in the Park 7.6.25	TCC	03/03/2025	Discuss further