



# Thornton Community Council

## Minutes of Public Meeting held on 02.03.2026 @ 7pm Thornton Bowling Club

### 1. Meeting Attendance:

<b>Community Councillors</b>	Lyn Murray ( Vice Chair)(LM), Sal Henderson (Secretary) (SH), Christine Ross (CR), Gordon Mclay (GM), John Laing (JoL)
<b>Fife Councillors</b>	Cllr Lynda Holton (LH) Cllr Daniel Wilson (DW)
<b>Community Police</b>	Report sent
<b>Safer Communities</b>	Amanda Maxwell
<b>Apologies</b>	Euan Ross (Chair & Treasurer)
<b>Absentees</b>	Cllr Derek Noble (DN)

### 2. Declaration of interest (Nil)

### 3.Resignation and New Members

#### **Jean Laird- Resignation**

We would like it formally noted, following the resignation of Jean, that we all thank her for her hard work and invaluable contribution as a member of Thornton Community Council, as well as for her tireless efforts in developing the Thornton Local Place Plan. We wish her well for the future.”

#### **New Elected Members – Voted in by the Committee**

We are delighted to welcome our newly elected members to Thornton Community Council. We look forward to their valuable contributions and the experience they will bring to our work.

Avril Hutchison, Martin Smith, Pauline Russell, Angela Paterson, and Margaret Heggie

### 4.Minutes of the Previous Meeting & Review of Actions:

Proposed – CR
Seconded- GM

<b>Action no.</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Target date</b>	<b>Details</b>
24.01-6	Unadopted road at primary school	DW	02.03.26	No response as yet – still following up
24.08-2	Park Gardens ask for support from Fife Council Gardeners	DW	02.03.26	Will take forward
25.02-5	Auto Radar sign faulty (south end)	DW	02.03.26	Take forward although was noted its because of the climate advised to report fault
25.02-6	Visual indicators on roads not clear-need repainted	DW	02.03.26	Works has been started – noted backlog of works
25.02-7	Main Street Floral display	ER	02.03-26	Applying for funding – submitted however no funding left until April 26
25.06-3	Path Clearance	ER	02.03.26	Funding received ER to arrange works – some works have progressed
25.09-1	Christmas lights funding and manufacture of new motifs	ER	02.03.26	On hold – FC policy on street lighting to be understood. Applying to various funds to meet costs
25.12-02	Issues with new lamp posts	LH/DW	02.03.26	ongoing
26.02-01	Plaque for Ross Vetrano	ER	02.03.26	Wording to be agreed by family (complete)

### **5.Treasurers Report (Appendix 1)**

### **6.Secretary's Report (Appendix 2)**

### **7.Community Police Update (Appendix 3)**

## 8. Safer Community Updates

### Ongoing Patrols – Dog Fouling

Patrols are continuing in relation to dog fouling. Residents are encouraged to report any incidents they witness and, where possible, provide a photograph so that those responsible can be identified, charged, and fined. Anonymous reporting is also available, and notices will be placed in affected areas.

### Off-Road Bikes

We are working closely with Police Scotland regarding the ongoing issue of off-road bikes. Any intelligence on where these bikes may be stored would be extremely helpful and can be shared confidentially.

## 9. Fife Councillors Update (Cllr Lynda Holton)

### 1. Parking at Cameron Park

Site visit with Cllr Wilson on 05/02/26 to consider options to increase parking on north side. Discussed further during walkabout on 24/02/26 and two additional options now being considered. Still unclear how this could be funded.

Petition to exempt Cameron Park from the Pavement Parking Ban (signed by 147 residents) will be heard at Glenrothes Area Committee meeting 18/03/26.

### 2. Speeding at Redford, Strathore Road

Petition to reduce speed limit to 40mph (signed by 73 residents) will also be heard at Glenrothes Area Committee meeting 18/03/26.

### 3. Proposed sale of old library on Strathore Road

As per my emails to the CC since the last meeting, Cllrs have been informed that an offer has been received by FC on the former library on Strathore Road which FC is minded to accept. It will however involve the car park, which is well used by local residents and those attending Thornton Public Hall, being made private.

I objected to this immediately and have had conversations with the Property Estates Service Manager regarding the proposed use of the building and any potential arrangements for continued public use of

Cllr Lynda  
Holton

<p>the car park. He has advised that he is preparing a paper for Cabinet Committee for a decision on whether to proceed to be made.</p> <p>In the meantime, I have been gathering feedback from CC and Public Hall Management Committee, which I will relay to Cabinet Committee members ahead of the relevant meeting.</p> <p><b>4. Road marking refurbishment</b></p> <p>I have been chasing up road marking refurbishment across the ward for several months, including Main Street, Thornton. Have now received confirmation that these roads are on the programme and should be done “over the summer months”.</p> <p>Re disabled bays, this is the information I have received:</p> <p><i>“With sincere regret, the Service is currently unable to accept new applications for disabled parking bays or refresh requests for existing bays. Please note that steps are actively being made for this to be resolved ASAP.</i></p> <p>I have submitted several questions to full council on both of these matters.</p> <p><b>5. Pothole on unadopted school road</b></p> <p>As this road is unadopted it’s unclear who is responsible for its maintenance (on land terrier as ‘parks and open spaces’). However, I have raised it with Roads &amp; Transportation and they are looking into it.</p> <p><b>OTHER:</b></p> <p>Upcoming surgery - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March, 12-1pm at Café Chocca Latte, Thornton.</p>	<p>Cllr Lynda Holton</p>
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**10.Path Clearance**

<p>This will be taken Forward in April</p>	<p>ER</p>
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### 11. Old Library-Surgery Car Parking

Taken forward by councillors, as noted in the Local Place Plan, the community value of the car park was highlighted. It should be noted that neither the TCC nor local residents were consulted on this proposed sale. Papers are expected to be submitted to the Cabinet Committee in April.

### 12. Train Station Renaming

No further information since previous meeting – Jenny Gilruth writing to Scotrail

### 13. Planterns ( Main Street) Funding

Submitted funding application – however no funding until April 2026

### 14. Party in The Park ( 6<sup>th</sup> June)

Volunteers noted to help with Party in the Park – sub group will be developed and meetings to be held with TCC and Hibs

### 15. Plaque for the late Cllr Ross Vettrano

ER has ordered Plaque to be placed on bench at memorial garden

### 16. AOCB

3<sup>RD</sup> Account signatory - LM

ER has proposed which columns the children's motifs should be placed on. We are currently awaiting further information from Fife Council regarding lamp posts use for the festivities. Local Councillors are taking this forward.

### 17. DONM –6.4.26

### 18. Meeting closed

### 19. Microgrants – closed session.

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26.03-01	Party in The Park 6 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	TCC	06.04.26	Form a sub committee ensure all tasks/volunteers in place

## **Appendix 1 Treasurers Report 02.03.2026**

Thornton Community Council  
Summary accounts to 02/03/2026

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

Value

Chq. No. Payee

Purpose

Opening bank balance	£10,963.80	Parish Online Bank of Scotland Euan Ross	PAY = Fee payment DEP = Cash deposit
Payments	-£288.00 FPO -£4.25 PAY -£14.38 FPO -£37.40 FPO -£10.00 FPO -£52.00 FPO	Euan Ross Euan Ross ICO Bank of Scotland	Website & email Account fee Amazon - Fixings for bench plaques Engraving Studios - Plaques Fife Council - PitP Occ Licence Data protection fee
Credits	£4.72 INT		Interest
<b>Closing bank balance</b>	<b>£10,562.49</b>		
Opening petty cash balance	£50.00	£0.00	
Payments	£0.00		
Credits	<b>£50.00</b>		
<b>Closing petty cash balance</b>			
Pending transactions	-£859.43 -£1,200.00		
Reserved funds	-£180.00 -£1,100.03 -£767.38 -£4,106.84	Foundation Scotland (Microgrant fund) Foundation Scotland (Path clearing) Foundation Scotland (Xmas light grant) Community Event donations Diageo contribution to path clearing <u>NOTES:</u>	
<b>Total committed funds</b>	<b>£6,505.65</b>	Nil	

**TOTAL UNRESERVED FUNDS**

**Appendix 2 Secretary's Report 02.03.2026 Planning:**

Planning applications submitted	
Address	Application summary

Planning applications approved	
Address	Application summary

Planning applications rejected	
Address	Application summary

<b>From/To</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Police	Confirming dates of TCC meetings
Various residents of Thornton	Enquiries to join TCC
Jean Laird	Resignation
Fife Funding Search	Funding Updates
Cllr Holton	Family agreed to wording on Plaque
Digital Fife	Digital Training

**Appendix 3 Community Police Update 02.03.2026**



**THORNTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT 02/03/2026**

**Report prepared by**

PC Shelley Forbes

## **Antisocial Behaviour**

The illegal use of off road bikes remain an issue and work continues to identify and deal with offenders. Several off road and electric bikes have been seized off and the persons reported for Road Traffic offences over the wider Glenrothes and Thornton area.

Two reports of vandalism have been reported but enquiries are still ongoing.

## **Road Safety**

10 persons have been charged and reported for various road traffic offences in the Thornton area – including careless driving, no insurance, no MOT and having defective tyres.

One male was also reported to the PF for drink driving.

## **Acquisitive Crime**

There have been no reported theft by shopliftings reported since the last meeting.

## **Substance Misuse**

Officers executed a drug search warrant in the Brown Crescent area on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026. An amount of class A and class B controlled substances were seized, along with a substantial amount of cash and numerous offensive weapons. A male and a female will both be reported to the procurator fiscal.

Officers continue to build and act on intelligence received regarding controlled substances within the area and it is requested that residents utilise the community inbox facility on the Police Scotland website or call 101.

## **Violent Crime**

Since the last meeting no persons have been reported for any violent crime offences.

## **Overall Summary**

Continued marked mobile patrols to combat Anti Social Behaviour, continued action and patrols regarding the illegal use of off road bikes identifying offenders and seizure of bikes.

Marked mobile patrols during the day and in the hours of darkness to deter opportunistic individuals.

Further intelligence gathering and warrants applied for and executed to stop the sale of illegal controlled substances into our community.

