**THORNHILL & BLAIR DRUMMOND COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**11th March 2025 at 7:30 pm**

**Thornhill Community Hall**

**Minutes**

**1. Present and Apologies**

**Present:** Hector Muir (HM), Chair, Elaine Blanchard (EB) Secretary, Alison Newlands (AN) Minute Taker, Veronica Bachelor (VB), Cllr Gene Maxwell (GM), Al Rawlinson (AR), Campbell Millar (CM), Rowena Coulthard (RC), Gary Thompson (GT), Moira Russell (MR)

Sheena Stewart (SS)

**Apologies:** Campbell Millar (CM), Rowena Coulthard (RC), Gabriela Ingle (GI),

**2. Approval of minutes of meeting on the 28th January 2025**

Minutes approved.

Approved by **EB**

Seconded by **AR**

**3. Matters Arising**

**Dunsire and Partners’ development in Thornhill**

Appeal date lapsed, nothing further to add.

**Caldoch Road**

No update at present, waiting on Stirling Council conducting a road survey.

**4. Reports – External**

**a. Police Scotland**

HM updated the meeting on the Police Scotland Report.

**Road Safety**

On 22/02/25 Officers had cause to stop a vehicle on the A84 Blair Drummond. Officers found the vehicle to have no MOT with the driver being issued a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty.

On 25/02/25 Officers had cause to stop a vehicle on the A84 Blair Drummond. The vehicle was found to have defective tyres with the tread being below the minimum required. The driver was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty.

On 27/02/25 Officers had cause to stop a vehicle on the A84 Blair Drummond. The driver was found to have an expired / revoked driving licence. They are the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal.

On 06/03/25 Officers were on patrol on the A84 Blair Drummond when they witnessed a vehicle being driven in a careless manner. Driver was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty.

**b. Stirling County Councillor**

GM announced that Stirling Council has finalised the budget for 2025/26. Two budget proposals were presented by opposing Council parties. The revenue budget has been approved, and the Capital budget has also been confirmed, with funds allocated for a new primary school in Callander.

**5. Reports – Internal**

**a. Chair**

No update

**b. Secretary**

No update.

**c. Treasurer**

GT advised the balance in the account is £501.02 at present. Application for debit card still in progress.

The Community Council entered a discussion on the repair of the recycling centre in Thornhill. It was agreed that EB should submit an application for funding to Stirling Council.

**d. Planning**

AR Report circulated prior to meeting and advised of the updates and changes received for planning in the area.

**6. Community Council Business**

1. **Traffic Issues - A84/Thornhill**

No further update at present on traffic issues.

1. **Traffic Issues - Primary Schools**

The Community Council proposed that the Thornhill and Blair Drummond Parent Council meet to address safety concerns at the schools. A meeting will be arranged by EB.

The Community Council discussed the issue of pick-up and drop-off parking at Thornhill Primary School and the limited parking availability. It was agreed that the Community Council would reach out to Stirling Council to inquire about the possibility of expanding the car park at the Community Hall.

1. **Dunsire and Partners’ development in Thornhill**

Appeal date now lapsed, remove item from agenda.

**7. Residents Forum**

**Car Parking at Thornhill Primary School**

Addressed under agenda item 6.b.

**8. AOB**

Nothing to report.

**8. Date, time, and venue of next meeting**

**22nd April 2025 at 7:30pm Thornhill Community Hall.**

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| **Action Points** | **Member Responsible** |
| **Follow up on 40mph limit on section of A873 from the Smiddy to Coldoch road.** | **HM** |
| **Funding application for Recycling Centre repairs** | **EB** |
| **Arrange meeting with Blair Drummond and Thornhill Primary School Parent Councils** | **EB** |
| **Email Stirling Council regarding extension of car parking facilities for Thornhill Primary School pickup/drop off.** | **EB** |

Meeting closed 20:15.