



## Jackton & Thorntonhall Community Council Minutes January 17th, 2023



### Location: Thorntonhall Tennis Club

It was noted that a quorum of members was present, and the meeting could proceed in accordance with the constitution.

**Sederunt** Claire Marr—Chair, Janice Edwards—Secretary, Douglas Eunson—Treasurer, Members - Mark Aitken, and David Milloy, David Ross

**Present** Cllr. David Watson, Harry McKinnon, Lorraine White, Brian McMonagle, Kathleen McMonagle, Hazel Main, Nina Madhukar

**Apologies** Sandy McEwan—Vice Chair, David Ross—Member, Cllr. Kirsty Williams

### Minutes of the meeting October 18th

Proposed: Harry McKinnon, 2nd Mark Aiken

**Matters arising:** Councillor Kirsty William has submitted a letter of objection to South Lanarkshire Council on Planning application P/23/1383. A copy will be posted on the community council website.

### Chair's Report:

Following on from our well attended December meeting (120 residents), the formal response letter to South Lanarkshire Council (SLC) Planning Department regarding planning application P/23/1383 (proposed neighbourhood centre at Peel Road (Thorntonhall), between Bystone Cottage and White Gables) was finalised and submitted. The content of the letter reflected our research of the planning policies and the majority views of the community, gathered using our consultation with the village which had involved hand delivered letters, plus committee members engaging with local residents, and the discussion at the meeting.

During the December meeting, a number of volunteers submitted their names for future. Community Council projects, letter delivery etc. This is very welcome. It also became clear that there are residents who have particular skills in letter writing on planning matters. There may be scope for working together with these individuals on future planning matters. This could take the form of a Planning sub-group within the Community Council. There could be other sub-groups created, for example: 'fundraising'.

The next step with P/23/1383 is that the application will be considered by the SLC Planning Committee. The date is to be confirmed.

It is important that residents all comment - the planning portal is still open for comments to be made on P/23/1383 (target deadline 22/1).

For anyone interested in learning about the planning system, the following online 'webinars' are very useful. Each one is approximately one hour, and they are accessible on the website for 'Action to Protect Rural Scotland' (APRS).

The webinars currently available are:

1. National Planning Framework (NPF) 4;
2. Understanding Scotland's New Planning System.
3. Greenbelts and NPF4; and
4. Having a say in the future of your area.

**Treasurer's Report:** Douglas Eunson- Treasurer

Bank balances: RBS treasurer's: £5211.75 - BOS savings: £1143.73

Expenses: A payment of £20 to Scot ways and £140 rent for use of Thorntonhall Tennis Club for our monthly meetings was approved. Proposed Claire Marr Seconded. Janice Edwards

Treasurer's report -Proposed: David Ross, 2nd Mark Aitken

**Councillor's Report:** Councillor David Watson

Scottish government cuts are affecting South Lanarkshire Council's budget and funding for other projects.

**School Transport Consultation** – Alteration in qualifying distance for free transportation for high school students from 2 miles to 3 miles.

SLC Statutory Consultation Proposal: to alter the qualifying distance for free secondary school mainstream transport to those living over 3 miles from their catchment secondary school. (current entitlement is more than 2 miles).

**A public meeting for the East Kilbride area will take place on the 1<sup>st</sup> February in St Andrew's and St Bride's High School from 5PM-8PM**

- **Those wishing to attend must book a slot and are requested to do so by calling 01698 455698 or emailing [educationconsultations@southlanarkshire.gov.uk](mailto:educationconsultations@southlanarkshire.gov.uk)**

If emailing, please provide your name(s), venue, date, and preferred time slot, with a second choice of time slot. Confirmation of the booking will be made via a return email. It would also be helpful to know what issues/questions you would like to raise at the meeting.

#### **Litter on Peel Road**

Land services do not send out the small mechanical street cleaner in bad weather.

If you notice litter, you can report it to the council on this link. [Litter Reporting](#)

The large street sweeper was seen making the rounds cleaning the local roads of debris after the recent storm.

#### **Hairmyers Park & Ride SPT** – (Issue also raised by Councillor Kirsty Williams)

The decision to remove capital funding from SPT (Strathclyde Partnership for Transport) in the Scottish Budget means that a £1.8 million contribution towards a new car park, bus stop and interchange at Hairmyres will be withdrawn.

South Lanarkshire Council, who are working with SPT and the government on the project, has said it had no prior notice that SPT's general capital support from the Government would

be reduced to zero. There is now a £1.8 million black hole in the plans for a new transport interchange. Councillors are calling for the reinstatement of funds to keep the East Kilbride rail upgrade on track.

### **Network Rail East Kilbride Enhancement Program**

To find out more on the East Kilbride Enhancement Project including information on the new railway stations and all the works being delivered throughout 2024-25, two community drop-in events are being held next month.

#### **Community Drop-in Events:**

- **Wednesday, 07 February 2024 - Kirktonholme Hall, 111 Kirktonholme Road, West Mains, East Kilbride, G74 1BB, 3pm to 7pm.**
- **Tuesday, 20 February 2024 - Duncanrig Secondary School, 72-76 Winnipeg Drive, East Kilbride, Glasgow G75 8ZT, 6.30pm to 9pm.**

#### **Secretary's Report:**

- **Correspondence**

#### **School Transport Consultation – See comments by Councillor Watson**

The consultation document can be found on this link.

[Comments, complaints and consultations - South Lanarkshire Council](#)

#### **Retention of 20MPH Speed Limit around schools**

The current temporary traffic order to retain the 20mph speed limit around schools is about to expire. A temporary order has been put in place while SLC await Transport Scotland guidance on the implementation of permanent 20mph speed limits within built-up areas.

#### **Spirit of Lanarkshire Wind Energy Cooperative (SOLWEC) Community Support**

SOLWEC Community Fund aims to support communities in the vicinity of West Brown castle and Nutberry wind farms to pursue projects which reduce greenhouse gas emissions or improve the environment and benefit the people who live in the immediate vicinity of the windfarms.

The SOLWEC Board allocate a proportion of profits every year towards a Community Fund. The closing date for the next round of applications is 29th February 2024. Grants of between £500 and £5000 are available, with a total pot of at least £30.000. Guidance on eligibility and how to apply is available [here](#)

This information was relayed to the Tennis Club Committee who are seeking grant funds to add an accessible path from the road to the club entrance. The existing entrance road is uneven and steep.

#### **SLC Committee Meetings online Calendar**

<https://southlanarkshire.cmis.uk.com/southlanarkshire/Meetingscalendar.aspx>

[SL Committees YouTube channel](#)

- **Updates**

- **Planning Applications**

[\*\*Garage Conversion\*\*](#) 

**Plot 1 Land 90 M Southwest of Hayhill House Hayhill Road Thorntonhall G74 5ANRef.**

No: P/23/1577 | Received: Fri 15 Dec 2023 | Validated: Fri 15 Dec 2023 | Status: Registered

- **Road Closures & Works**

**Thornton Road is closed between Peel Road and Thornton Farm** from Monday 11 December to Tuesday 9 April 2024 to replace the railway bridge. Diversion via Peel Road and Braehead Road.

**o/s 61 Peel Road, Thorntonhall.** Promoter:BT Actual Start Date:26/01/2024Estimated Duration:3 Working Day(s)Description: Enabling new localised ultra-fast broadband connections This activity involves excavation to Install telecoms duct to provide service and reinstatement.

**Thorn Avenue, Thorntonhall.** Promoter: SGN Expected Start Between:26/01/2024 - 05/02/2024 Estimated Duration:21 Working Days. Description: Capacity increase to gas supply.

**OS Ballinluig, Peel Road, Thorntonhall,**

Address: Waterfoot Road, Thorntonhall, Glasgow Promoter:BT Estimated Start Date:30/01/2024 Duration:1 Working Day(s) Description: To provide a safe working area for engineers to access telegraph poles to provide fibre overhead cabling. Three-way lights. 1 working day 09:30 - 15:30 \*\* No Excavation

**Beechwood Gables Osborne Crescent Thorntonhall**

Peel Road, Thorntonhall. Promoter:BT Start Between:02/02/2024 - 05/02/2024 Duration:1 Working Day(s) Description: To provide a safe working area for engineers to access EXISTING carriageway box(s) to provide service to a customer.

**Peel Road closed between Gilmour Avenue and the train station** access road from Monday 20 May 2024 to Friday 21 February 2025 for the demolition and rebuilding of the railway bridge. Diversion via A726 Queensway and B764 Eaglesham Road.

**At the Barratt Homes site on Eaglesham Road, Jackton**

Actual Start Date:08/01/2024 Duration:46 Working Day(s) Mains replacement works due to leaking existing 10" water main at new Barratt site. Excavate, lay, and connect 250m x 10" D.I. water main and & de-commission old main.

**Other Business**

**A Community Litter Pick**

A community litter pick was scheduled (subsequent to the meeting) for Sunday January 28<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Several bags of rubbish were removed from Peel Road.

**Verge damage Peel Road**

A resident witnessed significant grass verge damage at the roundabout on Peel Rd at Baroness Dr caused by a large truck. The registration number and company name of the truck has been passed to Councillor Watson. He will contact the company for a resolution.

### **Increased train service?**

A question was raised if there are plans to improve the train service at Thorntonhall when the enhancement works are complete. There has been no announcement of increased service but timetables are updated twice a year, hopefully this will be considered.

### **Deteriorating Road Surface Peel Road.**

The surface Peel Road especially after the rail bridge towards Jackton is deteriorating. A question was raised if it could be resurfaced while the road is closed?

As heavy goods vehicles will need access to the Thorntonhall Station bridge from both sides while the works are ongoing, it would make sense to carry out repairs after these works are completed. This will be investigated.

**Next Meeting - February 21, 2024, 7.30PM Thorntonhall Tennis Club.**

**Close of Meeting 8.24PM**

### **Micro Grant Funds**

The community council has funds available in the Renewable Energy Fund Micro Grants Scheme. Grants up to a maximum of £500 are available to individuals, groups or organisations who need small amounts to pursue their objectives. Applications can be accepted from groups including those who don't have a written constitution or set of rules. Individuals must be living in the eligible Community Council areas to which they apply.

### **What can micro grants be used for?**

Community-focused or charitable activities which:

- enhance quality of life for local residents
- contribute to vibrant, healthy, successful and sustainable communities; and/or promote community spirit and encourage community activity.

### **Litter Reporting.**

[https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200233/street\\_care\\_and\\_cleaning/347/litter\\_bins\\_and\\_street\\_sweeping/3](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200233/street_care_and_cleaning/347/litter_bins_and_street_sweeping/3)

**For local road and lighting faults**, potholes, broken slabs, damaged footpaths, signs, broken bollards, guardrails, flooding, blocked gullies please use the following link.

[https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200232/roads\\_lighting\\_and\\_pavements/337/road\\_and\\_lighting\\_faults](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200232/roads_lighting_and_pavements/337/road_and_lighting_faults)

**For council maintained landscaping enquiries** such as overgrown bushes and fallen branches. Waste and Ground Service Enquiry form

[https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200255/land\\_management/338/maintenance\\_of\\_landscaped\\_areas](https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/info/200255/land_management/338/maintenance_of_landscaped_areas)