



Jackton & Thorntonhall Community Council Minutes Public Online Meeting October 20th, 2021



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

Sederunt Alistair Stewart, Fiona McCrae, Janice Edwards, Bill Turner, Sandy McEwan, Agness Nairn.

Present Councillor David Watson, Councillor Monique McAdams, Mark Aitken, Ritchie Gilchrist

Apologies Douglas Eunson.

Minutes of the last Official Meeting –September 15th, 2021

Proposed by Fiona McCrea, seconded by Janice Edwards

Police Report No police present

Treasurer's Report Mr Eunson was not present by reported that the balances were RBS Treasurer's: £5578.68, BOS Savings: £993.73. A top up of £1115.00 to the Micro Grant fund has been received from South Lanarkshire Council.

Councillors Report

Councillor Watson reported that the overgrown hedges reported last month around the village have all been cut.

Both Councillor David Watson & Councillor Monique McAdams had comments on the transport Scotland plans to downgrade the doubling of the track between Busby and East Kilbride. As this subject was already on the agenda under "Other Business" further discussion is reported there.

Chair's Report

Alistair Stewart reported that the community council has purchased litter picker sticks for the drive on November 7th. A flyer will be distributed.

Secretary's Report

Road Closures

- **Newlands Road will be closed between Jackton Road and No 68 Newlands Road** from Monday 20 July until March 2022 for the upgrading/reconstruction and installation of public utility apparatus on Newlands Road associated with the Community Growth Area. Access to residential properties will be maintained from one direction. Diversion via Jackton Road, Eaglesham Road, Greenhills Road, Newlands Road and vice versa.
- **Braehead Road is closed between Braehead House and Thornton Road** from 9.30am to 12pm on Wednesday 27 October for Scottish Water septic tank



maintenance. Alternative route via Peel Road, Eaglesham Road, Redwood Drive and Barbana Road.

- **Temporary Road Closure – Eaglesham Road, Jackton, East Kilbride Between Jackton Road and Hayhill Road** Period of Closure 15th November 2021 to 19th November 2021
- **Temporary Road Closure – Eaglesham Road, Jackton B764 Eaglesham Road will be closed between Jackton Road and Ocean Drive, Jackton** 00:01 hours Monday 22nd November 2021 to 23:59 hours Sunday 12th December 2021. Main Alternative Route Redwood Drive, A726 (GSO), B767 Glasgow Road, Gilmour Street and Cheapside Street GSO Restricted Vehicles Alternative Route A726 Queensway, A726 (Strathaven Road), Glasgow Road, Barn Street, Green Street, Townhead Street, A71, A719, A77 and B764

Planning Applications



Search <https://www.southlanarkshire.gov.uk/Planning> using the planning reference number for further information on each planning application. Under the “Comments” tab you may make comments supporting or objecting to the application, or you can make a neutral comment. You will be required to register on the

[Non material variation to planning consent P/19/1631 to permit the introduction of balconies to flatted blocks plots 15 to 54, 55 to 70 and 153 to 173](#) 

Land 85M ENE Of Jackton Cottage Eaglesham Road Jackton Glasgow South Lanarkshire
Ref. No: P/21/0071/V | Received: Thu 30 Sep 2021 | Validated: Fri 08 Oct 2021 | Status: Registered

[Erection of 295 residential dwellings with associated access, roads, landscaping and associated infrastructure \(approval of matters specified in conditions 1 \(a to k\), 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26 and 27 of EK/11/0202\)](#) 

East Kilbride Community Growth Area - North Eaglesham Road Jackton Glasgow South Lanarkshire

Ref. No: P/21/1616 | Received: Wed 01 Sep 2021 | Validated: Wed 08 Sep 2021 | Status: Registered

Correspondence

Other Business

Litter Picking Event

Bill Turner advised that the community litter picking event will be Sunday, November 7th. Hi-Vis Jackets, sacks and pickers will be provided. A flyer will be emailed and posted on the community notice boards and Facebook page.

Cancellation of the Dual Tracking of the East Kilbride Rail Line.

Councillor David Watson & Councillor Monique McAdams reported jointly with astonishment at the cancellation by the Scottish Government and Transport Scotland of the dual tracking of the East Kilbride line. The councillors stated that they were not consulted, and the decision took place at a government level with no input from South Lanarkshire Council.

Cash for the upgrade of the EK section of the line is being diverted to other decarbonisation projects - including a Borders electrification project.

The new proposal would electrify the single line between Busby and East Kilbride. Hairmyers Station will relocate to St James Place on a smaller scale with less parking spaces. The timetable will remain similar, with hourly train service at Thorntonhall except for peak periods. It was unknown if there would be any changes at Thorntonhall Station, but this is being investigated by the councillors.

It was agreed that the Community Council should write to the Scottish Government to express our community's anger and disappointment at this decision, that overturns a long-promised and long overdue commitment to improve the capacity and reliability of our local line.

Within the last five years, South Lanarkshire Council has granted planning permission for over 3,000 new houses between East Kilbride and Thorntonhall on the understanding that an improved rail service would do much to alleviate the amount of road traffic and concomitant emissions. Without the expected rail improvements, private vehicle usage and emissions will increase.

Straight-lining over the mini roundabouts on Peel Road

Mark Aitken asked if anything could be done to prevent straight lining and anticlockwise manoeuvres over the mini roundabouts at the junctions of Baroness Court and Fredrick Boulevard. This is often accompanied by speeding.

This has been raised several times with Police Scotland over the past five years and we have been informed that the existing signage complies with national standards.

The community council recognises that the Police cannot be in constant attendance and growth in the Jackton area will only exacerbate the traffic on Peel Road.

A petition is being raised by residents with the support of the community council to persuade South Lanarkshire Council to implement traffic calming measures.

In Person Community Council Meetings

Agness Nairn asked when we might resume in person council meetings which were always better attended than those online. With the recent rise in positive cases it was decided that it was premature to resume these at this time and possibly a hybrid in person + zoom meetings could be tried in the New Year if Wi-Fi signal could be established.

Landscaping around the village

Mark Aitken inquired if it was possible to improve the landscaping to the common verges and hedges around the village. It was noted that South Lanarkshire council do not have funds for this and will not make changes to landscaping that requires further maintenance. Mark will make investigations of what landscaping improvements might be done with community help.

Village Planters

Janice Edwards reported that the village and station planters have been replenished for the winter season. Some decorations will be added in December for the Christmas season.

Streetlights for Ardbeg Lane and the entrance to the Tennis Club

Janice Edwards will send a reminder to SLC to evaluate the need for additional streetlights for the above locations. They previously reported they would evaluate this in October.

Micro Grant Applications.



The Community Council has micro grants of up to £500 available. We returned unspent the funds to SLC for the 2020 – 2021 year and are looking for ideas on how funds can be best spent in the coming year. Micro grants be used for community-focused or charitable activities.

The grants are available to individuals and small local groups who need small amounts to pursue their objectives. Please email completed applications to Janice Edwards J&TCC Secretary at [jassied@gmail.com`](mailto:jassied@gmail.com)



South Lanarkshire Digital Map

Links to many council services and resources,

Map of Services

South Lanarkshire Council has a regular system of inspection and maintenance, but local roads and paths may only be inspected annually. Please help your local community by reporting issues in your area. Anyone can report a fault.

Litter reporting.

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

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

The meeting was closed at 8:20 PM

Next Meeting Wednesday November 17th, 2021, at 7.30PM

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