KIPPEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL
YOUR LOCAL VOICE

MINUTES

Date: 10th December 2025
Time: 19.30 hrs
Location: Reading Rooms, Kippen

(1) Members present: Scott Crawford (Vice Chair), Christine Stewart (Secretary), Pippa MacLean, Jackie Graham, Neil Beaton, Robert Clubb.
Apologies: Barbara Ross (Chair), Ann Milligan

(2) Minutes of the last meeting; were accepted as accurate; approved by C. Stewart, seconded by P. MacLean

(3) Matters arising from the last meeting:

- See attached action list

(4) Matters for discussion:

(a) *Police Report* ***See Appendix 1***

(b) *Correspondence*

- Tesco have launched their Strong Start applications (up to £1500 available) – details have been put onto Facebook.
- Webinar on Future Woodlands Scotland and the Urban Forestry Challenge is on the 17th of December – Notify C. Stewart if you wish to attend.
- Festive Offerings in the area information has been posted on Facebook.
- Age Scotland and Scottish Gas Network advice on staying warm has been posted on Facebook.
- Funding Striling provide opportunities for funding agreed that this information is to be forwarded to R. Clubb when it comes in and put onto our website.

  – Action C. Stewart
- Community Lunch clubs information has been posted onto Facebook.

(c) *Planning applications/decisions* *No substantial updates since the last meeting.*

(d) *Treasurer's Report* ***See Appendix 2***

- Action to confirm that Reading Rooms invoice has been received and paid.

  – Action C. Stewart

(e) *Councillor Report* *No councilor in attendance.*

(f) *Community Action Plan*

- It was agreed that Robert Clubb would act on this on behalf of the Community Ciouncil with assistance from Christine Stewart. A meeting is to be held in the New Year inviting representatives of all associations and clubs in Kippen to come along. The purpose of this is to co-ordinate activity and make best use of the resource we have available. Plus this can be used to increase our bidding ability for funding. Therefore, it is important that this activity is to be toed in with the windfarm committee.

  - Action R.Clubb

(g) *Buses*

- Email to be sent regarding safety and flooding.
- Information on McGills refund policy to be provided

- Action J. Graham

(h) *Memorial bench*

Willie Mills has highlighted that the Windfarm Group are going to take care of the actions regarding this, moving forward.

(i) *Litter pickers*

Clean Streets at Stirling to be contacted about gaining free of charge equipment. A dozen at least to be bought if not gifted.

- Action C. Stewart

(j) *Any other competent business*

- Stirling council to be contacted regrading the condition and lighting of the pavement on Fore Road

- *Action S.Crawford*

- Stirling council to be contacted regarding the water run off onto Fore Road as well as the water that is gathering at the bridge.

- Action S. Crawford

- Stirling council to be contacted regarding the placement of the new 40mph signs and their relation to the junction of Fairfield Road.

- Action S. Crawford

- Discussion around the roundabout and the Brae needs to be carried forward to next meeting to allow input from B. Ross.
- Check with Stephen Bly if the scheduled AGM is suitable for attendance by a councilor. If not AGM to be moved.

- Action C. Stewart

- Striling council to be contacted regarding the missing Kippen sign on the road in from Fintry.

- Action S. Crawford

- Village to be consulted with in regard to a sign for Cauldhame

- Action S. Crawford

- Discussion around the possibility of moving the KCC meeting from a Wednesday night. As dates have been provided this should be reconsidered after the AGM once a new committee is in place.

(5) Date of the next meeting; *11th March 2026 in The Reading Rooms)*

APPENDIX 1 – Police Report (November)

Community Council:	Forth and Endrick, Community Council Police Report
Reporting Period:	December 2025 – Compiled by PC Matt McCammon
Ward Plan Priorities	**Community Engagement and Reassurance** It is important to you to have community officers who you know, who are accessible and who address local problems. PC Darren Gibson joins the Forth & Endrick ward community Policing Team. He comes with 11 years' response policing experience having spent most of his service within the Callander / Stirling area. PC Matt McCammon and PC Darren Gibson are the Ward Officers for the Forth and Endrick area. They are based at Balfron Police Office and can be contacted at the office, on 101, or at Forthvalleycommunitypolicestirling@scotland.police.uk. It is recommended that this email address is used by the local community for email contact however this should not be used to report crimes. Please remember that we regularly publish useful information and updates on social media, including appeals for information, updates about road closures and crime prevention advice. Our Facebook and Twitter pages can be found at; https://www.facebook.com/PoliceScotlandForthValley https://www.facebook.com/PoliceScotland X - @PSOSForthValley X - @PoliceScotland

ARNPRIOR	**Crime** **No crimes recorded**

BALFRON	**Crime** Investigations are ongoing after a resident was the subject of a fraud whereby a company obtained payment from the witness despite failing to complete the agreed works on the resident's property. Several residents were victims of vandalisms when the tyres of their vehicles were slashed during December. Unfortunately, due to the absence of CCTV or any witnesses and after all avenues of investigation having been explored, this crime remains undetected. **Incidents of note** A report was received of a vehicle being driven dangerously and swerving over the road along the A811 into the A81. Unfortunately, the vehicle could not be found and there were no further details for investigation.

BUCHLYVIE	**Crime** Road Traffic A driver failed to stop and exchange details after their vehicle collided with a parked car, causing minor damage. Unfortunately, there are no further lines of enquiry. **Incidents of Note** The SSPCA along with assistance from Police Scotland executed a warrant on a property within the village due to concerns for the welfare of a number of dogs within the property. The animals were seized and treated. A report to the court will be submitted by the SSPCA.

CROFTAMIE	**Crime** A person was arrested and held as a custody for court the next day after police were called to a disturbance in the street. person then later breached their bail conditions set by the Court and was re-arrested.

DRYMEN	**Crime** Road Traffic A driver failed to stop and exchange detail after their vehicle collided with another car, causing minor damage. Unfortunately, there are no further lines of enquiry. A driver was issued with a fixed penalty ticket for driving without due care and attention after overtaking another vehicle and colliding with another vehicle. Fortunately, the collision occurred at a slow speed, and no persons were injured. A driver has been reported to the Court for causing serious injury by dangerous driving after driving and colliding into an oncoming vehicle on the A988 towards Drymen which resulted in serious injury. Emergency services attended and treated the injured party. Drugs A person was stopped and searched by Police and was issued with a recorded Police warning after they found a small quantity of herbal cannabis.

FINTRY	**Crime** A quadbike and chainsaws were stolen from a barn at a property outside Fintry towards the end of December. Investigations are ongoing. Owners of quadbikes are reminded to be vigilant and ensure that their bikes are secure (physical locks such as chains, padlocks or handlebar locks and immobilisers, preferably locked within a secure shed and fitted with trackers etc.) to make them more difficult for thieves to target them.

	Incidents of note Diversions were put in place after a large tree came down across the road on the B818 from Fintry to the A875. Stirling Council Road Department explained that the tree was too large to be removed at the time which meant the diversion was in place overnight.

GARGUNNOCK	**No crimes recorded.**

KILLEARN	**Crime** An Attempted Extortion has been recorded after a member of the public was contacted by an unknown person over social media asking for nude images of themselves. The victim thereafter sent an image of themselves (Neck down), once received suspect threatened to send the image to their friends and family on social media if they didn't pay £200. The victim refused to pay and contacted Police. The victim was given suitable safeguarding advice. A crime under the Sexual Offences (Scotland) Act has been recorded after an adult made contact via mobile phone with an older child and attempted to engage in a sexual conversation. Enquires are ongoing to trace the suspect and the older child has been provided safeguarding advice. A crime under the communications act has been recorded after a resident received a threatening message. Enquiries are ongoing. A fraud is currently being investigated after a local business was made aware that a fraudulent website had been set up purporting to be their business. The business has received several queries asking where their orders are, there orders appear to have been made, along with payment to the fraudulent website.

KIPPEN	**Road Traffic** A collision occurred when a vehicle was driving along the A811 westbound towards Kippen and another vehicle pulled out from the Glynn's Road onto the A811. The driver was subject to a fixed penalty notice for causing the accident.

STRATHBLANE	**Road Traffic** Investigations are ongoing after there were two incidents of vehicles failing to stop after causing an accident within the Blanefield area. Both were, thankfully, minor incidents where other vehicles were damaged by the actions of drivers in the offending vehicles.