

SCONE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes

A meeting of Scone & District Community Council was held on Monday 30th June 2025 in the RDMI 7pm.

1. Welcome. Chair V. Shand. H. Mackinnon (HM), J. Dunn. (JD) L. Martin (LM) J. Belch (JB) Cllr C. Stewart (CS), 13 public members. An apology was issued re the cancellation of last month's meeting due to unforeseen circumstances.

2. Apologies. M. Houston (MH)

3. Police Report: no mention of Scone incidents this week.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting. Proposer: (JB) sec: (J.D)

5. Treasurer's Report. Balance: £389.29. Costs: Hall rent, Bank of Scotland admin charge £4.25, refunded pkc.

Scone Community Fund: £1428.52. VE80 celebrations raised £1288, with donations continuing to come in, expenses were £103.56. Virgin account has £2717.

6) Local Issues: 1) CTLR traffic monitoring by Traffic Network team have installed one round of road tubes monitoring speed, size and numbers and a repeat in the autumn for further analysis. If increase in traffic road safety measures will be considered, i.e. speed slowing humps as in other villages along the A94 corridor. 2) VAS on A94 can this be activated? 3) change of parking time restrictions in Perth road requiring further analysis and consultation. 4) Inactive P&R electric charging points, PKC monitoring cost of energy to these points, cheaper to charge at home, lack of access to public chargers will disadvantage some users.

2) SEPA consultation: completed by CC, questions re how SEPA reacts to pollution incidents, gives polluter 90 days to fix problem, no mention of fines or clear rules.

3) VE80 commemorations and refurbishment of War memorial garden: 2 new benches donated by PKC, estimated cost of railings £11000, Scone in Bloom looking to get a planter from the Prison woodworking group, looking for grants from the CIF which opens in September.

4) Repositioning of metal bench from the skateboard ramp to the ball court to facilitate the walking football group.

5) Rewording of sign from Hutchison Drive to Hutchison Place.

6) Orchard project to receive funding from PKC Community Greenspace.

7) Request by the CC to inform School when glyphosate chemical weed spraying was refused, this weed killer is widely used and for sale internationally. CC will ask for notices to be put up around the spraying time.

8). Airport noise complaints: CC will contact re constant circling over the village.

9) Flooding: Local resident affected by the SUDS pond installed at the A94/CTLR roundabout shared plans to develop alternative drainage proposals for his land. More surface water will be directed into the Annaty Burn when next phases of H29 development is built alleviating pressure on the barrel drain and the village of Scone.

10) Resumption of liaison meetings with PKC. Councillor will explore holding joint meetings with several community councils.

11) Consultation of imposing a visitor levy (tourist tax). Online Consultation opened by pkc. 1% would raise £1.6-1.8m, 5% £8.2-£9.3, 7% £11.5/ £13. To be spent on tourist related infrastructure. Paper copy available on 0173876476

7) Planning: 1) Murrayshall: road passing places plans submitted. 2) H29 2a plans passed for Persimmon. 3) "granny annex" plans PA 25/00561/FLL passed. 4) No planning breach at PA 21/02206/FLL.

Open spaces: 1) local resident asking for a sign at the pond advising against feeding ducks bread. (JB) to find out if this is necessary. 2) core path closure by Persimmon.

8) Councillors' Reports: (CS) CIF for Strathmore will be £50850, will focus on tackling poverty in Coupar Angus and Alyth, put to a public vote from October to December. Proposals in committee meetings include PH20 Thimble Row leisure site

development, Bells unheated proposal and Kinross and Crieff leisure refurbishments. Bells may have RAAC or asbestos in its construction. Perth Circulation Plan is to look at ways to improve cycling and walking opportunities, looking at route between Scone and Perth. Library facilities have a two year reprieve, methods of increasing footfall and communal activities to be monitored, next progress report in October. The suggested "tourist levy" should support additional activities to benefit tourists and residents.

9) SVA. Report. Spaces on the committee. The Ball court is well supported. Merkat Cross update: Scone in Bloom and Take a Pride in Perth: Cross is a grade 3 listed construction, £2000 consultant fees, landscaping and footpath upgrade £18000 to £50000, going to tender in several weeks' time. From June:

Destiny deadline dates: 19th September and 21st November.

10) A.O.C.B. Flooding issues ongoing, SWMP (Scone Water Management Plan) to look at all reports. November community councillors' elections. Scone park pond drainage and crumbling dangerous edges, will contact ranger again. New park bench to be installed after contractor destroyed previous one. No 20mph signs in the new development at Austen Way? Not yet adopted by PKC, residents could install their own.

11) Date of Next Meeting: Monday 7.00 pm August 25th 2025. Meeting finished 8.50.