

Riverside Community Council Public Meeting Minutes
Riverside Primary School
Date: 24 June 2026

Members Present

Carol Robertson
 Fiona Berrow
 Alison Giles
 Christine Rogers
 Nitish Ramparsad
 Ashleigh Phillip

In Attendance

Di Alderdice
 Andrew Fraser
 Cllr Thomson
 Katy Allen
 Gillian Armstrong

Apologies

Parvin Morrissey
 Jude Treliving

Minutes	Actions
1. Welcome Carol welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
2. Declarations of Interest No Declaration of Interest was recorded.	
3. Approval of Previous Minutes Minutes for May adopted. Fiona Berrow proposed; Christine Rogers seconded. Recent minutes can be accessed via the Riverside Community Council website and historic minutes are available on the Stirling Council website.	
4. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting Chief exec actions from May meeting an update has been requested via Stephen Bly. The hogweed has been treated as an ongoing issue which we will continue to monitor. I would recommend using the Stirling issues portal to report any hogweed. The bollards have been installed outside the shops. Nitish said that he contacted Stephen Bly and that the promised planters are on "the list".	
5. Reports a. Chair Nothing to report. b. Secretary: Consultations and Funding Opportunities 2026 SURF awards for best practice in community regeneration were launched on 4th June. Details were forwarded to our sub group leads for old harbour woods (Di) and community enhancement (Nitish) to investigate any suitable funding opportunities. A new community benefits portal has been launched which local projects can submit applications for projects which would benefit from contracts awarded to Stirling council suppliers. https://www.stirling.gov.uk/community-life-and-leisure/community-benefits/	

Community Enterprise (Janice Mcconnachie) have been in touch regarding Stirling Councils intention to set up resilience hubs to be activated during emergencies such as recent power outages and flooding. There will be an engagement process over the next 12 months a survey has been released to capture initial thoughts. surveymonkey.com/r/Resilience-Hubs-Survey Planning proposal for Forthside Way residential development. A public consultation event to be held tomorrow 25th June between 3-7pm at the Stirling Highland hotel where members of the project team will be available to discuss the project. It was raised that the Stirling Highland Hotel is an odd choice for a location for the developers preplanning meeting for the Forthside Way development and a more local venue should have been chosen. Media releases 2027 visitor levy Stirling council are recruiting a lead to support businesses to prepare for introduction of the levy. Radio 2 in park information can be found at stirlingevents@stirling.gov.uk. There will be more details issued in coming weeks and drop in sessions planned. Event build starts 28 August. Show days are Fri 11 Sept to Sun 13 No reported issues. Police report - We have not had a recent update to provide to the RCC, I have now sent a request to Stephen Bly with a response promised by 6th July. c. Treasurer Website needs payment or change, The joinery charge for the the new notice board will be paid through Riverside Naturally.	
6. Sub-Groups ● Planning: No news. A community member noted that a climbing wall business has applied for planning permission on Forth road. Parking issues on Edward ave/Forth road were discussed and Cllr Thomson said he would investigate. ● Active Travel: Cycle Hangars installed in various Stirling locations as part of a pilot project. Fiona asked about pedestrian crossing timings and asked Jim Thomson to investigate. Cllr Thomson noted that a shared e-bike scheme has been approved by the council. Recycle-a-bike updates shared. ● Website: Council website has the minute so will link to that. Renewal is due soon for the website and ideas for how to use the website are requested. ● OHW: Lettering on the granite plinths and interpretation boards up. July – work on the Himalayan balsam. No to volunteers spraying hogweed in the wood. Licence to occupy has its comments. Di will send it to the community council.	FB and AG to discuss website

● Accessibility: Gillian has created a document showing types of crossings and accessibility markings. There was a discussion about the tactile paving use. There was discussion about crossings. ● Community enhancement: On “the list” for planters. Shore road park - No boulders. Nitish has told Stephen Bly that there is still some rubble and road signs that need to be taken away and bins need to be removed and replaced. Noticeboard – joiner is still working on it. Polytunnel – Nitish chasing to see if community use would work. ● Defibs –The Circuit has been updated with new expiry dates for the updated pads. All units are in service with no other update to report. ● Planters:. The final planter has now been assigned. Paint donated for touch ups. Some plants were bought with money that needed to be spent. ● Roads and Parking: Andrew has reported the following outstanding issues. ☐ Trip hazard on Goosecroft Road ☐ Visibility problem with road users entering Forth St from Rosebury Terrace - currently with Stephen Bly ☐ Renaming of Forthside Way - currently with Stephen Bly ☐ Restoration of cyclist dismount sign on approaches to Cambuskenneth foot bridge. ☐ Removal of coach park mini roundabout an enquiry has been made awaiting full details including receipt of the road safety audit from Stirling Council. ☐ Application of road markings to standalone crossings is now subject to review by the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman. ☐ Provision of appropriate traffic signs to arch bridges on Lovers Walk. ☐ Remarking of the Sutherland Ave/Meadow Place junction.	
7. AOB Upcoming events: Work day- Riverside Naturally is on Saturday Hogweed; a meeting will be happening between Nature Scot and SC to discuss the control of Hogweed on private land. Arrows to be added to road on Lovers Walk to show directions for roundabout Parking consultation to follow regarding parking permits as a result of the parking survey School Streets to be relooked at by SC Question from Alison regarding on street electric car charging – Answer from Cllr Thomson - SC has received the report from Scotsnet and will be discussing it. Local Development Plan – consultation open for another 4 weeks.	
Next meeting: 26 August 2026 - Venue: RPS.	