

Riverside Community Council Public Meeting Minutes
Riverside Primary School
Date: 29th April 2026

Members Present

Joan Murphy
 Fiona Berrow
 Jude Treliving
 Ashleigh Philips
 Fiona Dyet
 Nitish Ramparsad
 Parvin Morrissey

In Attendance

Cllr McGill
 Brian Roberts, Stirling Council
 Katy Allen
 Andrew Fraser
 Di Alderdice
 Gillian Armstrong
 9 residents

Apologies

Carol Robertson
 Ann Kirkwood
 Alison Giles

Minutes	Actions
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Joan Murphy welcomed everyone to Riverside Primary School (RPS) and introduced RCC members and associate members. The next RCC meeting will be at the Riverbank Centre.</p> <p>Positive fact of the month: Wildlife for Banknotes: Pigeons, gulls and foxes could soon appear on appear on UK banknotes following a public consultation. The move would mark a shift from historical figures offering a chance to celebrate the country's native wildlife instead. A second consultation this summer will ask the public which species should appear.</p>	
<p>2. Declarations of Interest</p> <p>No declarations of interest.</p>	
<p>3. Adoption of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Fiona Berrow proposed; Fiona Dyet seconded.</p>	
<p>4. Matters Arising from previous minutes not to be addressed within the meeting</p> <p>At last month's meeting, the issue of cars parking on the broad footway between Millar Place and Forth Crescent was raised. Stirling Council have offered to add bollards to the area to stop this parking, with Brian Roberts asking whether RCC would prefer planters instead of bollards.</p>	<p>BR to inquire re planters</p>
<p>3. Reports</p> <p>a. Chair AGM & Changing Members: May's meeting will be held on Wednesday 27th May at the Riverbank Centre in</p>	

Riverside and will include an AGM. JM and FD will stand down at the May elections. Any Riverside resident interested in becoming an RCC member should contact riversidecommunitycouncil@gmail.com before 23/05/26. Stephen Bly, the RCC liaison at Stirling Council will officiate the meeting. Brian Roberts will look into RCC using the Riverbank centre for future meetings.

Forthside Master Plan:

JM has received an update from Sharon Marklow

- SM can confirm that the aim is to remove the plastic sheeting by the end of the week.
- All the onsite works funded through the Levelling Up Fund are complete. This includes the refurbishment of the main studio building, the refurbishment of the office building, the installation of new water, power and coms supplies, the demolition of redundant buildings and new roads at Skoda and from Meadowforth Road.
- The roads onsite are completed. Forthside Way will be completed end of April. Active Travel west along beside the Vue has slipped to May 2026.
- The Council is still in the process of appointing the Operator but will announce who this is as soon as possible.

b. **Secretary**

Trossachs Bus Service: Stirling Council has agreed to take over the bus service between Callander and Aberfoyle.

Clean Up: There will be a Stirling-wide clean up and litter pick 30th/31st May. More information: <https://www.stirling.gov.uk/news/new-clean-up-event-to-take-place-across-stirling-at-the-end-of-may-2/>

Cambuskenneth Hall: CH will soon be taken into a private trust and are encouraging Riverside residents to consider renting the hall for functions.

Giant Hogweed: As with previous years, there have been issues with giant hogweed growing in the grass along the river. Concern was raised that the issue is getting worse every year and that the Stirling Council spraying is not happening early enough or consistently enough. BR committed to Stirling Council committed to a more targeted spraying of the hogweed.

Police Report: 10 calls to the Police, regarding road traffic and noise complaints.

c. **Treasurer**

TBD.

6. Subgroups

- a. **Planters:** All the plaques have been installed on the planters; with one planter still looking for a resident to maintain it.
- b. **Accessibility:** GA to put together a sheet on the markings at the various new crossings throughout Riverside. GA also encouraged residents to use FixMyStreet for any issues.

<p>c. Website: Alison Giles has taken over the maintenance of the RCC website.</p> <p>d. Community: Shore Road Park: after 6 years, the park is almost finished. The hedge has been planted, bench has been installed and the boulders are to be added soon. A resident has offered to install a noticeboard, which BR stated Stirling Council will install.</p> <p>e. Plant Sale: 9th May, 10:00 – 1:00pm at the Polytunnel in the Riverbank Centre. Money donated will be used for RCC projects. All donations welcome, ideally before 10am on the morning of the 9th.</p> <p>f. Defibrillators: All three sets of pads on the DeFibs are to be replaced in May, the new sets will arrive early May.</p> <p>g. Old Harbour Woods: There is an event on Sat 02/05/26, working of the pillars at the entrance, weeding and installing willow cuttings to add structure to the riverbank. BR stated that Stirling Council will pay the recent insurance costs.</p> <p>h. Parking: Residents complained about the parking from Rosebery Terrace onto Forth Street as there was too much parking on the corners, obstructing view. Residents also voiced concerns regarding similar parking on Sutherland Ave onto Millar place. AF waiting to hear back from Stirling Council.</p> <p>i. Street Names: AF has contacted businesses impacted by a potential change of name of Forthside Way East/West. One business has objected, with AF and CR to visit the business to discuss a way forward. BR in investigate.</p> <p>j. Local Groups: Stirling Orchestra: Concert 17th May, 4:30 at Albert Halls. RPS Centenary: May 21st, 4:30 – 6:30pm with local food stalls.</p>	
<p>7. A.O.B. BR raised the ongoing issues with the Spikey Bridge and spoke about the planned task force to deal with the grime, graffiti, broken lifts and lights. BR will also look into the payment of banking charges for RCC.</p>	
<p>Next Meeting: Wednesday, 27th May 2026. Venue: Riverbank Centre.</p>	