

Monthly report	
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**MAIN FOCUS**

**1. Resignations and reorganisation**

A large amount of time since the last scheduled meeting, held on 14 June 2021, has been spent on dealing with the repercussions from the sudden resignations of five full members between 17 and 19 June, including the Vice Chair (17.06), Secretary (19.06) and Airtricity secretary (17.06) and one other member (17.06), following that of the Treasurer on 10.06. These were followed by that of the Minute Taker on 28.06 after submission of the first version of the 14.06 meeting draft minutes.

This has involved a series of meetings and discussions with the remaining members and with Stirling Council, to discuss their effect and to ensure we are continuing to work within the lines set out in the Scheme of Establishment. Following their advice, we immediately initiated the procedures for inviting applications for the two co-opted posts which we are allowed.

**2. Co-options**

The number of places, and the voting procedure, were set out clearly in this communication from Stirling Council:

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*The Scheme of Establishment states "The number of co-opted members may not exceed a THIRD of the current elected Community Council membership" (Scheme of Establishment, page 12). This means that the maximum number of Co Opted Members you could look to adding to the overall Membership is*

*((1/3) x 6 = 2) 2, taking your Membership to 8. This number will take your Membership above the minimum accepted and well within the maximum Membership allowed for Callander Community Council.*

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Following this advice, the vacancies have been advertised and we received six applications by the due date, all of which have now been checked and verified by Stirling Council as meeting the requisite criteria.

Consequently, a co-option meeting will be held on 9 August at 7pm, with the public notice posted 14 days before, ie on 27 July.

Once any co-opted member has attended 3 full scheduled meetings, they can then be voted in as full members. During that period, they can undertake the same activities as full members, apart from voting on other co-options. We thus look forward to benefitting from this new range of skills and experience, whether as co-opted, associate or potential full members.

### **3. Meetings**

In addition to the above, time has been spent as follows:

#### **23.06 Policing Rural Scotland during the pandemic;**

Andy Tatnell and colleagues from Edinburgh Napier University- initial presentation of findings; the final report will be presented at a future CC meeting.

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#### **08.07 Monthly online meeting with Stirling Council Roads team leader (Carlyn Fraser). Items discussed:**

**A84 20mph experiment:** Timing of final installation of signs and lights in collaboration with BEAR/Transport Scotland (*done*).

**Traffic disruption on Bracklinn Road, Ancaster Road:** Largely due to part-emergency, part-planned Scottish Water works.

**Bridgend rail painting:** query over whether this was in the original spec: referred to appropriate SC department.

**The interconnection** of these various bodies was discussed and ways of keeping the public informed through a range of media (*see below*).

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**13.07 Meeting with LLTNP on Visitor Management** plans and actions (also involving motor home discussion - see separate report). This is relevant to the ongoing regular reports from the SLV residents, which are also discussed jointly by SC, the LLTNP and the police. A further cross-organisation meeting is envisaged - Martin Earl arranging.

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Also keeping in contact with the SC Flooding officer on developments, both from a CC and a Bridgend, Grant Court and South Church Street Group member.

### **Public queries**

Queries over road works and subsequent traffic disturbance as noted on social media were forwarded to the relevant body (Scottish Water).

**ACTION:** Links and contact numbers for obtaining similar information directly from them, (BEAR, Stirling Council, SEPA and LLTNP as appropriate) will be posted on the CCC website as an ongoing resource.

### **Press**

Comments and articles written for the Stirling Observer (23.06 and 25.06) and the BLV August issue (forthcoming)

### **In a personal capacity:**

VIC meetings and attendance to boost volunteer numbers.  
CCDT Board meetings 25.06, 28.06 and 05.07.

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