

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday 30th June 2026,
18:30 - 20:00, Fallin Church Hall



Discussion Topics

1. Garden update
2. Bee update
3. H&S
4. Finance update
5. Council development plan
6. Fun day
7. Actions from previous meeting
8. AOB

Attendees - Listed below in Table 1.

1. Garden update

Sewerage plans for the water connection have now been approved, so work has begun with contractor and excavator to plan next steps and get relevant permits in place to begin work.

The FVL CLLD grant we applied for to install solar panels was unsuccessful, however the grant provider has secured us funds from Climate Forth instead, so these will be installed on the container roofs in the coming months.

A couple of beds have recently become available, these will be opened up to folk shortly.

Volunteers from SEPA and Revenue Scotland are coming to do a days work at the garden, this is their third year visiting to help out.

Tree roots have been removed from the compost bay area, so no more tripping hazards here. Steve RR will be working on the permanent compost bays soon, any volunteers to help him would be great.

2. Bee update

The new queens have settled in and the hives are doing well. There has been one small honey extraction so far, not quite ready for sale yet, as the moisture levels in it are too

high. Billy also plans to trial rendering the wax that comes from the hives, with a view to selling products made from this too (candles, lip balms etc.)

3. Health & safety

Billy has done “Train the trainer” H&S course, just awaiting the results. If passed, he will be able to train other volunteers and community members on manual handling. Thanks to Mark Firth for setting this up.

4. Finance update

Finance report is available to view [here](#). Special thanks go to our village as a whole who, so far this year, have donated an incredible £17,000 to our charity, to help pay for the fun day, Burnt Island and other community projects. We know money is tight for many people, which makes these acts of generosity all the more special. We also have a further £2.3K due from a generous individual who used to live in the village, which they have asked be put towards the costs of installing mains water at the community garden.

5. Council development plan

Stirling Council’s development plan survey closes 23rd July. Naomi will run a session with folk in the village who want help completing the survey (date to be agreed with Karen).

6. Fun day

Running Saturday 8th August, 11am-3pm, at the Alpha Centre, this years will be bigger and better than ever, thanks to community’s generous donations. In addition to activities we’ve had in previous years, 2026 will include more inflatables, a petting zoo and party games.

7. Actions from previous meeting

The action log was reviewed and updated and is available to review [here](#).

8. Any Other Business (AOB)

Scarecrow competition: Steve RR suggested organising a scarecrow competition next year for the village to participate in, to help deter pigeons at the community garden.

SPEN bike track: Nikki and Naomi are meeting Stirling Council next month to discuss planting arrangements around the recently installed bike track.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 28th July, 6:30pm

Attendees

Michelle Robertson (Chair)	Karen Perrie (Trustee)
Naomi Ross (Secretary)	Steve Royce Rogers (Trustee)
Steve Wilson (Treasurer)	Nikki Thomas (garden)
Billy Hodgson (Trustee)	Liz Perrie (Church)
Steve Wilson (Trustee)	5 residents