

BLAIR ATHOLL & STRUAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

EGM 10/11/15

Only 5 out of 6 vacancies were filled

Officers re elected but 2 indicated they would only stand for an interim period and not the full term of 1 year

Strong concern was raised about the vast workload issued by Perth and Kinross and other agencies to a very small entirely voluntary team.

In particular approx 200 emails per month are forwarded to generic Community Council Email Account. By P & K. Most are irrelevant or Adverts. These also form a security risk to individuals and waste a huge amount of time.

Councillors suggested un subscribing to individual emails, but it was not clear if this would work and any way requires opening them.

MONTHLY MEETING 10/11/15

WITHDRAWAL OF CITYLINK COACH SERVICES THROUGH BLAIR ATHOLL

Considerable concern was shown about the withdrawal of most CITYLINK coach services through Blair Atholl from 23/11/15. Very short notice was given to P&K and no consultation carried out.

Representations have been made to City Link, P& K and MP's and MSP's

THIS CONSIDERABLY REDUCES THE CONNECTIVITY OF THE COMMUNITY AND FOR TOURISTS. AND IS THEREFORE CONTRARY TO STATED GOVERNMENT POLICY.

Very few trains call at Blair Atholl and many people have relied on City link coaches to reach Inverness, Pitlochry, Perth and other towns and cities in Scotland.

The Young and Elderly will be particularly badly affected. Car usage and CO2 levels will be increased.

It is proposed to hold a public meeting and to try and assess realistic requirements.

WIRELESS BROADBAND STRUAN

This is progressing slowly due to lack of engineers and Government funding restrictions/regulations on competition.

CALVINE AED IS NOW UP AND RUNNING IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE