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**Subject:** Meeting of Kinross-shire Ward Forum / Network of Community Councils  
**Attachments:** Quality and Standard of Planning Reports, Relations with Communtiy Councils etc.

Sent on behalf of Councillor Michael Barnacle

Dear Colleagues

Just a short note I've made of the above meeting, attended by all 4 Ward Councillors and representatives of all the Ward CC's (3 from Fossoway, 2 from Cleish, 2 from Glenfarg, 2 from Kinross, 2 from Milnathort and 2 from Portmoak).

In relation to CC's funding, councils would like more flexibility in what they can spend and carry forward, query why they should have to pay for hiring Council buildings and whether the changes in the grant payment arrangements had achieved the savings for PKC envisaged.

I agreed to circulate the paper I have asked to be discussed at the Planning MOWG, along with Councillor Cuthbert's thoughts on improving the Development Management process, see attached – it would be helpful if you could highlight to me the issues of greatest concern that you agree we should take forward.

It was noted that planning was the area that most concerned you in your relations with CC's. Councillor Robertson suggested he take forward a motion to PKC that CC's are not treated the same as one household objection, which found unanimous support.

It was stressed that CC's should ascertain, over the next couple of months, what issues they would like to see raised in the Main Issues Report for PKC's review of our Local Development Plan.

In discussing our gypsy/traveller problem, it was suggested a call be made to review Policy RD5 and that retrospective applications within the Lochleven catchment should not be allowed?

A meeting to discuss the A977 at PKC was to be organised. Portmoak CC regarding the enforcement of a planning condition at West Bowhouse would help with speed control on the A911.

Under AOCB we discussed LED lighting, which had a greater effect in towns as opposed to rural areas and it was felt a review of this introduction should be undertaken.

I thought the meeting was productive and well attended, being a useful forum for exchange of ideas on common problems.

Kind regards.

Councillor Mike Barnacle  
Independent Member for Kinross-shire