

PETITIONS FORM



If you wish to submit a petition for consideration by Committee, please complete this template.

Please refer to the Protocol on Petitions before completing the template. If you require any further information or advice, please contact the Democratic Services Manager whose details are provided at the end of this form.

Details of Principal Petitioner

Please enter the name of person and organisation (if applicable) raising the petition. Please include a contact address to which correspondence may be sent, a contact telephone number and e-mail address if available.

Name: Paul Kenyon

Address: [REDACTED]

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Title of Petition Carsie Green Re-Wilding Objection

Petition Statement - Please state (in no more than 250 words) what action the Petitioner wishes the Council to take.

As residents of Carsie, we strongly object to the 2nd year of 'Re-wilding' the Council is forcing upon us. This makes the area unsightly, dog owners leaving dog faeces on the long grass, also encourages ticks – which carry Lyme's disease plus other and fly-tipping.

It must be costing the council more time and money by cutting paths through parts of the grass.

We are surrounded by woodland, farms, and golf courses – This 'Re-wilding project' seems a pointless object in the bigger scheme.

We also understand that Rattray resident also strongly object to this being done on Rattray Common.

We wish Carsie Green to be fully re-instated to its former glory, by regular grass cutting.

If PKC can provide £280,000 for the UCI Gran Fondo – surely it can make the area look attractive?

PKC have permitted the West Park development & the latest development of 100 house at Ardblair – further loss of fields/long term rewilding.

Action Taken (if any) to Resolve Issues of Concern before Submitting the Petition

Before a petition is submitted, petitioners are expected to have taken reasonable steps in attempting to resolve the issues.

Please enter below details of any individuals or organisations approached. Copies of correspondence, including any responses, should be appended. This information will be made available to the Committee prior to its consideration of the Petition.

I have written to the Chief Exec of PKC.

A petition handed to Cllr Shiers & Cllr Brawn on Friday 7th July 2023

This has also been discussed at several BRCC meetings – Minutes are attached. Supported by Blairgowrie & Rattray Community Council.

Appearance before Petitions Committee

Petitioners may have the opportunity to appear before the Committee to speak in support of their petition. Petitioners should indicate whether they wish to make a brief statement to the Committee when it is considering the petition. Note – Proceedings of meetings of the Council, Committees or Sub-Committees held in the Council Chamber at 2 High Street, Perth, and which are open to the public (with the exception of the Licensing Committee) are broadcast live online and recorded / uploaded to the Council's YouTube page.

***I DO wish the opportunity to make a brief statement before the Committee**

***I DO NOT wish to make a brief statement before the Committee**

** tick as appropriate*

Signature of Principal Petitioner

When satisfied that the petition meets all the criteria outlined in the Guidance on Petitions, the Principal Petitioner should sign and date the form in the box below.

Any additional sheets of signatures should be appended to the form.

Signature  Date 14/07/2023

Name in block capitals ...Paul Kenyon.....

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PETITION FOR THE RE-INSTALEMENT OF GRASS CUTTING AT CARSIE, BLAIRGOWRIE

We the undersigned residents of Carsie, wish to formally object to the policy of Perth and Kinross Council, not to cut the grass on a regular basis at Carsie, on the following grounds and request that regular grass cutting be re-instated as soon as possible.

- 1.The grass area at Carsie, used to look very attractive, clean, with well mown grass, which was virtually weed free, However, over the past 15 months it has become an eyesore for residents living here but visitor too.
- 2.The latest policy of 'Rewilding' seems bizarre - Carsie is surrounded by farmland and woodland - Why the decision the allow this tiny area in comparison, to become overgrown is appalling & also raises a number of health and safety issues.
- 3.Dog Fouling; As the grass is now longer, it is more difficult for people to pick dog poo up as it cannot be seen as easily and is therefore left to not only attract flies but anyone walking through the grass, children included cannot help but possibly walk on it.
- 4.Ticks: As you are aware ticks are more prevalent in longer grass, these will attach themselves to pets and people - Ticks also carry Lyme's disease and need to be correctly removed from the skin should they become embedded. Ticks easily attach to pets and are then passed onto humans.
- 5.Litter: More litter has become stuck into the grass, becoming unsightly - Recently the grass was cut by a small ride on mower, the operator drove over an aluminium can which was left in shards on the 'path area' where people walk their dogs.
- 6.We have noticed certain types of weeds are now becoming established in the unmown areas and will no doubt spread even further, unless controlled.

Previously, a large tractor used to cut all the whole area followed by a small mower to cut the perimeter - a quick and simple procedure. Now so much time is spent trying to cut swathes on a small ride on mower.

In our opinion, the area should be reinstated back to looking neat and tidy, with short well mown grass, in order to look attractive as it once did. When it was like that, people would meet on the green to chat and children had picnics, unfortunately this does not happen now.

Surely it is more beneficial for peoples wellbeing and mental health to have an attractive area to enjoy, rather than having to endure the sight of a unkempt area which resembles a wasteland site that you would expect to see in an inner city area.

* A bench seat has been erected at the edge of the area, in order that residents can sit and take in the view, which unfortunately is not as pleasant on the eye, as it used to be. In fact, the seat gets little use.

One family has put small portable goals up, in order that children can play football, this encourages physical activity and keeps them occupied, however this can only take place on a small area. Following mowing for a short period of time, until it is re mown.

As PKC is spending so much money on the roads to facilitate the Gran Fondo in August with all the route roads being upgraded. This event will be shown across the world and the view of an unsightly areas of Perthshire will no doubt be noticed.

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PETITION TITLE: CARSIE GREEN PETITION

SUPPORT OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Signature **D Cuthill** Date 13/7/23
(Office Bearer VICE-CHAIR Community Council)

** Please include the minutes of the Community Council meeting when the support was approved*

Submission

Please submit the original form and attachments to:-

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