

## Whiteinch Community Council Notice of Monthly Meeting

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2014 held at The Whiteinch Centre, 1 Northinch Court, Glasgow G14 0UG.

### Agenda

**1.0 Present:** Maisie McCrae (Chair), Elizabeth MacDonald (Vice Chair), Becky Hogg (Minutes), Illinor Douglas, Isobel McKillop, Elizabeth Brown, Jackie Mathew, Neil Robertson, Cllrs Kenny McLean & Martin Bartos.

**In attendance:** Major Malcolm Walters (The Salvation Army), Alan McWilliam, Mike Dare, (Whiteinch Church), Police Officers James McCusker, Paul Gillil and Gerry Orr (Police Scotland)

**Apologies:** John Robertson (MP), Stephen Biagi, Janet Scrymgeour.

**2.0 Minutes of previous meeting:** Minutes were approved

### 3.0 Matters Arising:

**3.1 Food bank / Whiteinch Burgh Halls** – Alan McWilliams explained that there is a clear indication of rise in food bank users. The food bank was moved from Inchlee Street due to issues of heating and now an alternative location to store food bank facilities is being looked into. There is a continuous threat of vandalism by youths in the Burgh Halls. Thanks from Alan for the support and contributions to the food bank. It was agreed that the Foodbank would remain as a standing item on our agenda.

**3.2 Commonwealth Connections** – An application has been submitted for an event in Victoria Park and the committee received a letter from Glasgow City Council regarding costs of use of venue. Maisie sent a letter asking permission to use park on 16<sup>th</sup> August but no response as yet. Suggestion made by Cllr. McLean to contact Council to clarify the use of one area as opposed to whole area of Park. Event plans in motion.

**3.3 Toilet block in Victoria Park** – Good job done of painting back of toilet block. Ideas put forward include hire of a painter for a themed picture on the back of block. **Action Maisie, Isobel & Elizabeth**

### 4.0 Reports:

**4.1 Police Report: Inspector Park Scotland Police** – Police Officers from Partick Police Station discussed community issues. A crime report breakdown was delivered for the December – January period with 29 crimes and 133 incidents reported ranging from road traffic crimes to various forms of anti-social behaviour to theft. Police have proposed to take action on securing 3 closes on Dumbarton Road due to prevalence of youth anti-social behaviour in area. Issues of nature trail bikers & drinking dens was raised with Police for them to tackle these problems. Dog fouling & litter patrol materials clarified as responsibility of Community Safety.

**4.2 Major Malcolm Walters of The Salvation Army** – Recognition of 125 year partnership between Whiteinch & The Salvation Army congregation stands at 25 with a dozen active volunteers. Malcolm is conducting research into ‘The Glasgow Effect’ phenomenon which he explained may correlate with a sense of abandonment across Glasgow. Malcolm stated that there is a need to resolve issue of deep-rooted individualised turmoil beyond the NHS prescription of sunlight boxes. The Scottish Independence debate is seen to be giving the community a stimulus to act for themselves and community spirit. Slimming World meets in their hall and not only promote slimming but healthy eating. Malcolm raised issue of concern over lack of dedicated fruit shops in Whiteinch/Scotstoun locality.

**4.3 Councillors** – Cllr Bartos raised Park Management Regulations. There is an issue of authoritative language & conveyance of outdated messages in the materials being distributed to the public. Councillors are looking at how to address issue. He is particularly interested in the food waste issue being looked at for reasons of mass consumerism & environmental injustice. Cllr McLean has also raised issues about the Park Management Regulation. His other main concern about Student Accommodation developments in the whole of Partick West area needs to be looked at. Complaints regarding build up of leaves in autumn. The leaves have not been cleared up and are now a mulchy slippery mess – he is having ongoing discussions with LES regarding this.

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**4.4 Fire Report and Local Fire & Rescue Plan** – Local Fire & Rescue Plan 2014-2017 survey proposed by Maisie. No response decided.

**4.5 Fossil Grove Trust – Minutes** – Email to be forwarded to Maisie.

**4.6 Friends of Victoria Park** – Title deeds uncovered for park. A 'Friends of Victoria Park' volunteer group proposed by Maisie. Contact to be made with GCC & The Whiteinch Centre regarding the establishment of this project. **Action – Maisie**

**4.7 Partick West Area Partnership** – Nothing of note.

**4.8 City of Glasgow Management of Parks Regulations** – Jackie & Maisie volunteered to give feedback on behalf of WCC. **Action Jackie & Maisie**

**4.9 Glasgow & the Clyde Valley Strategic Development Plan** – Glasgow & Clyde Valley Strategic Planning Authority working in correlation with the Scottish Independence agenda and collecting information from volunteers. No response.

**4.10 Meeting with Headteachers Whiteinch & St. Paul's primary schools** – Need for creation of updated facilities and access to these for pupils. Maisie to find out if St. Paul's primary school's Commonwealth Legacy funding application for play facilities has been sent .

### 5 Financial Report:

No change

### 6 Planning Application

Cllr Bartos requested that all future planning applications be dealt with at the end of the meeting, after he has left the meeting, as he is now a member of the Planning Board. This was agreed.

**6.1 Street Traders Licence RefST00648 Moveable Kiosk South Street** – no objections

### 7Correspondence:

**7.1 Cambo Snowdrops** – There were 2000 snowdrops planted in 2013. Cost for 2014 is £113 for 2,500 bulbs. This was agreed. **Action Maisie**

**7.2 SAC Environment & Design** – Give advice on renewable energy projects. Maisie suggested that a meeting should be arranged with W&SHA to see if it was possible to put solar panels onto the roofs of tenement blocks. This was agreed. **Action Maisie**

**8 AOCB** – Nothing of note.

### 9 Date & Time of next meeting:

Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 7pm. Christians Against Poverty (CAP) speaker to be in attendance.

### 6.0 Planning Applications:

6.2 739 South Street Internal alterations to listed building Scottish Opera – no objections

6.3 69 Victoria Park Drive South - Erection of a single storey extension to rear - no objection

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