

Whiteinch Community Council Notice of Monthly Meeting

Minutes of meeting of Tuesday 29th April 2014 held at The Whiteinch Centre, 1 Northinch Court Glasgow G14 0UG.

1.0 Present: Maisie McCrae (Chair), Elizabeth MacDonald (Vice Chair), Simon Garforth, Illinor Douglas, Neil Robertson, Isobel McKillop, Stephen Biagi, Jackie Mathew, Elizabeth Brown, Cllr. Martin Bartos, Cllr Feargal Dalton (after a previous engagement).

In attendance: PC Glover, PC Keary.

Apologies: Rebecca Hogg, Janet Scrymgeour.

2.0 Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes were approved.

3.0 Matters Arising:

3.1 Whiteinch Foodbank- Still operating from the same premises at the Whiteinch Centre. Donations welcome.

3.2 Ward 12 Flood Prevention Schemes- letter read which was addressed to Cllr Dalton re flood risk prevention. This area very deemed very low risk (1/500 years) and prevention measures are in accordance with this. Also noted that Scottish water are carrying out a barge study of the Clyde this is due to be completed in June.

3.3 Update on Snowdrops: WCC received a grant of £250 and agreed to pay £86 for the VAT on 5000 snowdrops. Agreed they should be planted in October/November. **Action Maisie**

4.0 Reports:

4.1 Police- Between 01/03/14- 31/03/14 – 28 crime reports raised with 15 detections. Detections- drugs-3, S. 38/BOP- , assault- 1, other- 4.

Maisie asked about response times to 101 calls. Police spoke of triaging calls. Illinor spoke of lack of feedback re an incident she reported involving an assault. The Police said they would pass on her concerns. Discussion re drug dealing and drinking on the cycle path. The police encouraged people to report incidents. Also situation with parking at Fore St/ Primrose St was discussed. Police only have powers when vehicles are creating an obstruction.

4.2 Councillor Bartos- Mentioned 'glowing report' that Whiteinch Nursery received from HMI. Also High Hedge Act for hedges above two metres. There will be a £500 fee for people to apply under this eg applies to hedges between neighbouring gardens, if one household wishes the hedge lowered.

4.3 Discussion Forum Meeting re CCLG- Feedback from Neil. He is happy to keep representing WCC.

4.4 Partick West Area Partnership Meeting- Discussion about student housing and cleansing.

4.5 Friends of Victoria Park- A questionnaire has been sent out re the park but only sent to selected households due to access and other limitations. It was agreed to write to Bill Kidd to ask him about the selective nature of the survey ie not being delivered to tenement flats due to difficulty in getting access. WCC support the option of an orchard and agreed to donate £20 as opposed to becoming affiliate members. **Action Maisie**

It was recommended the Dumbarton Road environmental trust website was a very good resource for information regarding the three proposals for the park. There is also to be a public meeting on 30/04/14 at 7pm in St Thomas Aquinas School.

5. Commonwealth Connections/Baton update- Isobel updated that things are progressing very well regarding this with various groups involved and activities planned. Minutes have been emailed out. Maisie reported that to her knowledge two people have been selected from the area to hold the baton.

6.0 Financial Report- travelling expenses given to minute secretary.

7.0 Planning Applications- none

8.0 Correspondence - Letter from first bus saying how it was progressing well. Betty asked if the number one could possibly come onto the road at Sawmill Road to write to first bus to see if this is possible. **Action Maisie**

9.0 AOCB: Fossilgrove trust 21/04/14. Neil reported that the new build was the preferred option at a cost of £2.5m with Glasgow Life undertaking the post renovation management. The submission date for this Heritage Lottery application is August.

Discussion re the parking at the commonwealth games and it was agreed to write asking why Whiteinch is excluded from parking restrictions for non residents during the games despite its locality to Scotstoun leisure centre. **Action Maisie**

Betty informed us from a recent housing association meeting that funds are available for some 16-18 year olds to gain employment experience.

WCC was informed that the chimneys of 8/9 Elm St have been changed without approval. Cllr Dalton will take this up on our behalf. **Action Cllr Dalton**

Network Rail - Neil and possibly Simon will attend a meeting on 6th May.

Reply to FOVP re security of the park. Community enforcement officers are in attendance at times.

Isobel informing that mobility scooters from the Bield housing residents have to go onto the road at times due to lack of drop pavements. Maisie will walk the route and report back to Cllr Dalton. **Action Maisie**

Betty mentioned fly tipping that was occurring at Squire Street. chair to contact appropriate body. **Action Maisie**

Councillor Dalton gave a brief report on the survey being carried out by MSP Bill Kidd on 3 options for Victoria Park. He assured everyone that they will be delivered to tenement flats on Dumbarton Road. **Action Cllr Dalton**

10.0 Date and time of next meeting.

Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th May at 7pm.