

# Whiteinch Community Council

## Minutes of Community Council Meeting, 29/11/2016, Whiteinch Centre at 7pm

- 1 Present:** G Morgan (Chair) M McCrae (Vice Chair) N Robertson, K Anderson, M Harris, I McKillop (Minutes) S Biagi, C McGeoch, Cllr F Dalton, Cllr M Bartos, PC M Ferrie, Police Scotland

**Apologies:** E Brown, E MacDonald, J Scyrmgeour

**In Attendance:** A McSorley, A Lennie, Ripple Effect, J Laphorn, Glasgow Life, L Colvin, Glasgow Sport, D Russell Western Titans.

- 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Proposed – M McCrae, Seconded – M Harris  
**Minutes of AGM:** Proposed – M McCrae, Seconded – M Harris

- 3 Matters Arising:**

- 3.1 Foodbank:** Donations and Volunteers still required.

- 3.2 Environmental Issues:**

**CCTV** – A letter has been received from Community Safety stating there are no cameras available at present but that they would observe the area and liaise with the Police.

**Cycling on paths** – Cllr Bartos stated that while the Highway Code clearly states that it is illegal to cycle on pavements, there are certain exceptions and it is open to interpretation.

**Litter Issues-** Litter bins have been emptied since the last meeting but it is not being done on a regular basis and are quickly filling up again.

- 3.3 Display Boards-** The Community Council has been successful in its application for a grant to purchase Display Boards.

- 3.4 Sunbeds Application** – The CC objection has been withdrawn as it had become apparent that this was a renewal application and not a new application. There was confusion re the identity of the premises. The temporary sun beds licence was renewed for 3 years subject to conditions.

The owner of said premises complained to G Morgan about the accumulation of rubbish which appears to emanate from the Sumerians Chip Shop . Cllr Dalton said he would look into this.

- 4.0 Ripple Effect Consultation** - The meeting was addressed by A McSorley who briefed those present on the purpose and aims of the Project which looks at the impact which alcohol can have on individuals and Communities in Glasgow. The core themes are 1) Cultural, 2) Young People, 3) Families and Parenting, 4) Barriers to what help is available and 5) What other Groups can be reached. A discussion took place and suggestions were put forward.

- 5.0 Reports**

- 5.1 Councillors** – Both Cllr Dalton and Cllr Bartos spoke about the objection to the ICT Privatisation which has been upheld. The matter will be referred back to the Council for further consultation.

- 5.2 Housing** – No information

- 5.3 Police-** PC Ferrie stated that due to re-organisation within the Police, he would be the liaison officer for the area and would attend future meetings. Crime Figures for period 30/10/16 – 28/11/16: 27 crime reports raised. Assaults – 3; Drug Dealing/Use – 1; Vandalism – 3; Wilful Fireraising – 3; Thefts – 10;

Breach of the Peace – 1; Road Traffic Incidents – 6. There were no Housebreakings but he advised that at this time of year this would be more likely and appropriate precautions should be taken. There is an on-going on line survey “Your View Counts” in which local people and groups can express their concerns and opinions.

**5.4 Friends of Victoria Park Meeting 8/11/16** – A number of people attended the Remembrance event at the memorial in the Park on 13/11/16. A donation for A Christmas tree was offered by the owners of the Barclay Curle Complex but is no longer needed as an existing tree is to be decorated.

**JCC’s plan for the park** – J Winfield presented this and provided background information. The plan is meant as a starting point to facilitate discussion and joint working.

**5.5 Fossil Grove Board AGM 31/10/16** – (Report provided by E Brown) Walter Semple was appointed Chair. The Trust appointed Professor Lennon of the Moffat Centre, Glasgow Caledonian University, to undertake a review of business case feasibilities. It also set up a sub-group to review future governance/ funding options and to integrate Professor Lennon’s role into this review. It was made clear again that the role of the Trustees is to manage the funds for the benefit of the Fossil Grove and that they do not have any role in running the property as this responsibility sits with the Council. The Trustees will work with LES officers to ensure maintenance of the Fossil Grove. LES has instructed £19k of drainage improvement works following a CCTV survey. Also agreed to keep gutters and south wall clear of debris on a regular basis, fix the leaking gutters and put more bituminous paint on the concrete strip at the base of the south wall. The leaking overflow has been fixed. There are some encouraging signs that the clearance work on the south elevation may have started to reduce some water ingress. LES will fix the current heating system, install a frost protection thermostat and obtain a short term loan of environmental monitoring equipment as a pilot. They will make sure the heating is on should a significant period of sub-zero temperatures be forecast. LES are discussing with contractors an upgrade or replacement of the heating system and integration with more permanent monitoring and control equipment. They will also provide options and costs for replacing the lighting. The Trust’s Advisory Group is procuring a number of conservation studies with the aim of providing science-based guidance on a preferred humidity and temperature regime and an action plan for conservation, salt removal etc, once the water ingress has been controlled.

**5.6 Whiteinch Mural Meeting** – item to be carried forward to January meeting.

**5.7 Barclay Curle Visit** – item to be carried forward to January meeting.

**5.8 Education Governance Review 10/11/16** – K Anderson attending this meeting and gave the meeting an overview of what was discussed.

**5.9 Discussion Forum 19/11/16** – C McGeoch attended this meeting and expressed concern as to how it was run. This item will be carried forward to the January meeting.

**6.0 Proposed BMX Centre at Knightwood**- J Laphorn from Glasgow Life introduced this item. It is proposed to have a world class BMX Racing track installed at the blaes pitches in Knightwood Park in time for the European Championships in 2018. The facility would be operated by Glasgow Sport and the West End Titans. Discussion took place and it was noted that while the facility would only be open to suitably qualified BMX riders and would be fenced in for security purposes, there would also be a Pump Track

installed which would be open to the general community at all times. There will be further public meetings regarding this and those present asked to be kept informed of details.

**7.0 Finance** – G Morgan informed the meeting that the rent for the room had now been paid and that it had been agreed that in future it would be paid annually. The sum of £75 was given to M Harris as an Honorarium for his work on the website.

**8.0 Licensing** – No new applications.

**9.0 Planning**- No new applications but the meeting was reminded that the Traffic Impact Assessment meeting regarding the Glasgow Warriors, will take place on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at 5.30pm. There is also a follow up consultation meeting for the River Crossing, on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Concern has been expressed that the information seems to be concentrated on the Renfrew side of the river and that traffic crossing to the Yoker side will have an ongoing impact on the surrounding areas.

## **10 AOCB**

**10.1 Victoria Park Placement Meeting 28/11/16** – Meeting attended by M McCrae and E Brown. There will be a further 5 meetings.

**10.2 New Glasgow Development Plan**- this is available at the Whiteinch Library and on line.

**11.0 Next Meeting – Tuesday, 31 January 2017 at 7pm**