

## **Whiteinch Community Council**

### **Minute of Community Council Meeting, 28/2/17, Whiteinch Centre at 7pm.**

**1 Present:** G.Morgan (Chair), M.McCrae (Vice Chair), S.Biagi (Treasurer), B.MacDonald, E.Brown (Secretary), N.Robertson, K.Anderson, I.McKillop, J.Scrymgeour, C.McGeoch, Cllr Dalton. **Apologies:** M.Harris. Cllr M.Bartos. **In Attendance:** PC M.Ferry. M.McTernan, Labour Party candidate. D.Parkinson, SNP candidate. D.Keaveney, member of public. I.Morrison and J.Calderwood, WSHA.

**2 Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Approved by N.Robertson. Seconded by M.McCrae.

### **3 Matters Arising:**

**3.1 Foodbank:** donations and volunteers required.

#### **3.2 Environmental issues.**

**Community Clean up:** N.Lovelock organising for week beginning 13/3, involving various organisation/ locations. **Bin uplifts:** resolved. **St Paul's crossing:** no update. **Parking at St Paul's school:** Police looking into ways of alleviating problem. **Bus shelters:** no funding for new shelters, shelters from other locations will be relocated. **Tree management:** work at the Cross done, Cllr McLean. has requested more work at Ferryden Street/Summerfield Cottages. Cllr Dalton would raise issue of moss removal from the paving stones. **Scottish Water:** no response about ongoing work. Cllr Dalton would investigate and G. Morgan would also write to the contractor. **Fly tipping prosecution:** Cllr Dalton to investigate if Council prosecutes offenders. **Underpass lights:** K. Anderson to report issues. **Reporter:** M. McCrae and G. Morgan had taken Evening Times reporter on tour of area. **992-984 Dumbarton Rd,** issues with cracked pavements: G. Morgan to send photographs to Cllr Dalton who will take this forward.

**3.3 Display boards:** extra payment for carry case approved.

**4 WSHA rent issue:** D. Keaveney reported on tenants' disaffection with the recent rent rise. Rises were annual and tenants were extremely unhappy, that in a time of financial difficulty with low or no pay increases, that they were being expected to pay annual rent rises. I. Morrison, and J. Calderwood acknowledged the issue and explained the complex financial back ground to WSHA, funding was required for maintenance, planned improvements, staffing/running costs as well as a reserve for long term plans. Although tenants had been consulted, via a questionnaire in the newsletter, it was felt that a more proactive approach to tenant participation was required. I. Morrison said that WSHA would support the development of a formal Residents and Tenants Association. D. Keaveney agreed to meet I.Morrison and then speak to other tenants about taking this forward. G. Morgan asked both I. Morrison and D. Keaveney to report back on progress.

## **5 Reports**

**5.1 Councillors:** Cllr Dalton had attended a budget meeting where the council tax increase had been approved. Also attended a LES meeting where the efforts to improve service were reported. All agreed there had been an improvement in the service from LES.

**5.2 Police:** 27/1/17– 27/2/17: 152 calls, 20 crime reports. 2 common assaults. 1 possession of drugs. 4 vandalism. 6 thefts. 3 road traffic. 2 breach of peace. The action plan instigated by the Local Problem Solving Team has been successful with a marked decrease in incidents. In addition a mobile police unit will be based in various location for one week at Easter to continue the work of the action plan.

**5.3 Pollution:** S.Biagi reported that information on pollution levels is available on the Council website and that safe levels are breached in the area during the day.

**5.4 Friends of Victoria Park 19/1/17:** E. Brown reported focus had been on lecture planned for 23/3, April Spring clean and AGM, 8/6. Dates/ locations to be confirmed.

## **6 Finance**

**6.1 Admin grant:** has been received.

**6.2 Planning Aid Scotland donation:** to be discussed at later date.

**6.3 WCC promotional materials:** C. McGeoch to obtain quote.

**6.4 Website subscription renewal:** S. Biagi to arrange payment with M. Harris.

## **7 Correspondence:**

**7.1 Letters sent:** Jordanhill CC, Clydeholm residents and Sanctuary Housing.

**7.2 Letters received:** JCC re new Warriors issue about extending stadium and attempt to obtain planning submission date for temporary stands issue.

**8 Licensing Applications: none.**

## **9 Planning Applications**

**9.1 Malcolm's appeal:** still no decision from the Scottish Government. A template was provided for raising individual concerns about this delay with all local MSPs.

## **10 AOCB:**

**10.1 Victoria Park Placemaking exercise:** M. McCrae attending next meeting 2/3/17.

**10.2 Sanctuary housing:** N. Robertson reported concerns for child safety in the landscaped grounds due to low fencing. G. Morgan to take forward.

**11 Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 7pm.**

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