

Minutes of Whiteinch Community Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 24th June 2025 in the Whiteinch Centre

Present: M McCrae (Chair/Treasurer), R Cunningham (Vice-Chair), W Walker (Secretary), E Brown, C McGeoch, I McKillop, L Stevenson, N Robertson, N Kelly, Cllr L Reid-McConnell

1. Apologies: E Macdonald, Cllr E Jassemi

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Correction to Item 6: cost of pads for defibrillator. Should be around £60. Approved by I McKillop and Seconded by L Stevenson.

3 Matters Arising

3.1 Community Council insurance. Glasgow City Council facilitates a block insurance policy for Community Councils. All activities out with regular meetings should be notified to GCC 28 days in advance to ensure they are covered by the block insurance policy.

3.2 Victoria Park BBQ Protocols. No response from GCC regarding meeting to discuss signage, etc. M McCrae will email again for update.

3.3 Whiteinch Burgh Hall. There have been 60 expressions of interest regarding the sale of Burgh Hall. Removal of weeds should take place in the first two weeks of July.

3.4 Patricia Ferguson newsletter. This has been regularly circulated and group agreed to invite the MP to a WCC meeting before the end of the year.

3.5 Better Buses for Strathclyde Campaign. WCC supports this campaign. Nobody from WCC able to attend the Steering Group meeting at the end of August.

3.6 Private Lane Improvement Fund. A Private Lane Toolkit has been launched by GCC to help residents and owners understand more about the ownership and maintenance responsibilities of any adjoining lanes to their property. Applications are now open for funding.

4 Reports

4.1 Police. No report was received.

4.2 Councillors. Cllr Reid-McConnell advised the following:

- New pedestrian crossing at Victoria Park Drive South is silent and this is being investigated.
- Weeds beside the Salvation Army building have been sprayed.
- More planters are being sought in the area.
- Better seating and lighting for Whiteinch Cross is being investigated.
- Industrial noise in the area was reported to SEPA and situation has improved.
- Elm Street pavement parking fines have been revoked.

4.3 Area Partnership. Examining criteria to increase delegated powers to £750.

4.4 Fossil Grove. Renovation is ongoing and the contract has been extended slightly.

4.5 Friends of Victoria Park. AGM took place on 28th May. Group investigating water pipe for the park. A bid will be placed to Action Earth for trees for local primary

schools. A donation has been made to Hessilhead Wildlife Centre. John Morrison is retiring after 46 years and WCC will send a letter of thanks.

4.6 Victoria Park Community Trust. Basketball court upgrade is going out to tender. An outdoor gym proposal is being worked on. Ukrainian Day will take place on the 24th of August. A new date will be organised for the cancelled Spring into Summer event. WCC have created promotional leaflets at a cost of £68.

4.7 WSHA/Whiteinch Centre. Official reopening and relaunch of the Centre will take place on 8th August. WSHA AGM will take place on 27th August. WSHA Business Plan (2025-2030) has been officially launched. Key highlights include enhanced tenant engagement, community partnerships, digital transformation and sustainable housing development. The conference room in the Centre will undergo refurbishment in July to increase capacity. Plans are being drawn up to look at refurbishment of kitchen area to become a learning and teaching kitchen.

4.8 WCC Social Media/Website

5 Finance

Current statement. £614.88.

6 Licensing. Funfair is taking place in Victoria Park over the summer.

7 Planning Applications. None but group made a note to flag to GCC next year that Zippos lorries left mud trail at Sunny Cycles and there were issues getting bikes out.

8 AOCB.None.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 26th, 2025, at 6:30pm