

Whiteinch Community Council Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26th August, 2025

1.0 Present:

M McCrae (Chair), R Cunningham (Vice Chair & Minutes), E MacDonald, C McGeoch, E Brown, I McKillop, L Stevenson, N Robertson, I McKillop, Cllr F Dalton, Cllr L Reid-McConnell

Apologies: W Walker, N Kelly

2.0 Minutes of previous meeting: Approved by I McKillop and seconded by E Brown

3.0 Matters arising:

3.1 School libraries 'Ongoing review' cited by Glasgow Life, school term started so unsure impact changes will have in the interim. Chair requested Councillors take up on behalf Cllr Dalton advise lobby elected members may be best / only way for community council to influence situation

Decision to write to leader of council, councillors, MSP & MP

3.2 BBQs in Victoria Park: Designated areas have been discussed but no clarity over where these are and new signage unclear, although welcomed by all, clarification on areas has been sought.

3.3 Whiteinch Centre: C McGeoch present. Positive reaction and well-attended. New Community director appointed, will reach out to see if they wish to attend WCC meeting in future

3.4 Ladywell school: Declared surplus to Education Department use, hope to find use for building to avoid it becoming run down.

Cllr F Dalton advised that rest of council departments get first refusal and then could review WSHA or additional users

4.0 Police: No report sent.

5.0 Councillors Report:

5.1 Cllr Dalton: Contribution to discussion on school libraries & BBQ already detailed

5.2 Cllr L Reid-McConnell: Drain at Squire Street should now have been resolved. The temporary CCTV camera approved by area partnership should be in situ on South Street at Edzell Street in next few weeks.

The Summerfield Centre are allowed use of one of the walls at Whiteinch Cross for community project. And, positive outcome noted from resurfacing of Dumbarton Road with thanks given from Chair. Deep cleaning team hiring underway, look forward to their attendance locally.

6.0 Area Partnership: Next meeting on 10th September

7.0 Fossil Grove: Work ongoing, hopeful to be complete by mid-October

8.0 FoVP: Social media difficulties recently but usual service resume in coming weeks. Doors Open Days 20/21 September with updates to follow.

Funding tree survey to understand the condition of the trees in park with a realistic expectation. Survey out to tender but will be compatible with Glasgow

City Council formatting so could complement work done by both parties and will then take relevant action based on output of survey.

9.0 VP Community Trust: Basketball / volleyball court upgrade that will be free for community use

10.0 WSHA: Relaunch of Whiteinch Centre discussed and noted that cafe not in plan, which was previously discussed. Focus now more on growing the community shop and complimentary services there.

11.0 Social media: FB 890 likes, 1091 followers

First post on Instagram of parkrun in Victoria Park, with an aim to grow this. Help sought from others for more own content (rather than sharing other organisations posts) as this gives better engagement. Most discussed post was surrounding resurfacing of Dumbarton Road in July. Noted that social media sub-group should meet in due course.

12.0 Finances: £69.57 claimed by treasurer for print cartridge. Balance £464.46

13.0 AOCB:

Scottish Water contacted M MacRae on feedback on how they are as organisation. Only feedback was suggesting more locations for the taps, though previous discussion cited they were at capacity for this initiative.

C McGeoch raised accessibility to park from Thornwood area and asked if this could be investigated.

R Cunningham raised with Cllrs on the condition of the section of Dumbarton Road known as humpback and if this could be resolved (unsure if within Whiteinch CC area – but still part of Victoria Park ward.