

## **Minutes of Whiteinch Community Council meeting held on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026 in Whiteinch Centre**

**1.0 Present:** R Cunningham (Chair); M McCrae (Vice Chair, Treasurer). I McKillop, E Macdonald, E Brown, L Stevenson, N Robertson, C McGeoch, N Kelly

**In attendance:** Cllr L Reid McConnell

**Apologies:** W Walker (Secretary), Cllr E Jassemi

**2.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting:** approved N Robertson and seconded by M McCrae

### **3.0 Matters Arising:**

3.1 Whiteinch Library 100 years celebration: letter to be sent to Alana Ward Head of Libraries and Communities to ask what they have planned. Suggestion it could be included in Doors Open Day in September

3.2 Spring into Summer: this event will take place in Victoria Park on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April our banner will be on display along with our leaflets. M McCrae and C McGeoch will staff the stall. E Brown will be at the Fossil Grove

3.3 Hustings: the following candidates are standing for our constituency: Conservative – Sandesh Gilhane; Labour – Eunis Jassemi; Liberal Democrats – James Douglas Speirs; Reform – Sean O’Hagan, SNP – Colm Merrick

The Greens are not putting up a candidate but will probably send a list MSP to our Hustings

WCC Leaflets to be put on seats. W. Walker will be the official timekeeper. Water to be supplied for the candidates by R. Cunningham. M McCrae in charge of roving microphone and C McGeoch in charge of photographs

3.4 Advertising trailer: the trailer has been moved to the roundabout

3.5 Meeting with AMK: AMK some parking issues are because they need to park some of their 400 vehicles in streets. Issue has increased as they lost the parking lot they leased and they do not have a drop off/pick up area. They have agreed to encourage staff and customers not to park in Fore Street and to avoid double parking and parking at corners to ensure that pedestrians can cross safely and traffic can move freely. Part of South Street has new red barriers which has reduced the number of parking spaces. Officers will find out if Malcolms has permission for the barriers as this has reduced the number of parking spaces for other businesses.

### **4.0 Reports:**

4.1 No Police report

4.2 Cllr Reid McConnell reported on the Neighbourhood Clean-up. Streets missed last stretch of Victoria Park Drive South at the Nature Trail and Fore Street. It was agreed that Fore Street/Dumbarton Road falls into Scotstoun and this causes issues. It was suggested we write to Cllrs E Murray, C Cunningham, B Butler and M Mitchell asking them to allow our 3 councillors to deal with litter,

potholes and directing the Neighbourhood cleansing team in this area. Resurfacing roads in Primrose, Ferryden and Smith Street on programme. Ballard at corner of Edzell Street to be replaced by end of April. Whiteinch Gardening Group meets every Friday and hopes to get resources for more plants. January- pavement parking came into force and lining works are only to prevent bad parking. Whiteinch Primary School walking bus is running 3 days a week.

Burgh Hall – Unfortunately both bids have fallen through

Whiteinch Cross Tower. E Brown reported that the artist who painted the toilet block in the park is willing to paint the Tower. It was agreed that we support this and that the Tower be painted on 4 sides with an industrial theme. Cllr Reid McConnell will seek permission for this. Ross Cunningham agreed to do a late bid to the AP for funding working in partnership with R East who is keen on this project.

4.3 Area Partnership: Neighbourhood Infrastructure Investment Fund: no update on when pedestrian crossing work will be assessed after project agreed. Awaiting update on park drainage feasibility project. St Paul's walking route- project has been revised – now improving pavements and ensuring safe route ie no longer includes parking area- awaiting revised drawings/costings.

4.4 Fossil Grove opens on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April

4.5 Friends of Victoria Park: organising an Easter Egg Roll on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April

4.6 Victoria Park Community Trust: organising Spring into Summer event. Also 4 blocks of 6 weeks of Tai Chi for people with disabilities, neurodiverse or with Parkinson disease. They successfully received a grant of £10,000 for a Commonwealth Games Festival, including bowls, volleyball, netball, basketball and a ceilidh from 31<sup>st</sup> July to 1<sup>st</sup> August

VPCT are preparing a grant application for 2 new style metal BBQ picnic benches with access for wheelchairs

4.7 WSHA: We received a comprehensive report last month no further update. It was noted that the 3 trees at the front of the Housing Offices have been removed can the Housing Association. L Stevenson to enquire why?

4.8 WCC Social Media: hustings information on Facebook and other CCs have also advertised it.

## **5.0 Finance:**

5.1 Current statement £976.02 and awaiting for £300 to be put into our account by GCC as a grant towards the cost of our Hustings

## **6.0 Licensing:**

6.1 A Licence was requested for a short term let in Medwyn Street. No objections

**7.0 Planning:** No applications

## **8.0 AOCB:**

8.1 Discussion took place about Trongate 103 lease issues. It was agreed to send a letter to Councillors, including the ward 13 ones, to support the Greens motion to find a solution at the vote this Thursday.

8.2 Discussion took place on the poor state of pavements particularly Squire Street to Scotstoun Street. Councillor informed us that there is no programme for pavements resurfacing. It was agreed that we should lobby to have this included in future roads programmes

8.3 Several complaints have been raised about the noise coming from the Expressway particularly during the night when the heavy lorries at speed hit the area where the surface has broken up. Letter to be sent to roads department

8.4 Concern was also expressed about the noise late at night and early in the morning coming from S Norton on the other side of the Clyde. Notification to be sent to SEPA

**Next meeting Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at 6.30 in Whiteinch Centre**