Minutes of Whiteinch Community Council Meeting held on Tuesday 29th September 2026 in Whiteinch Centre

1.0 Present: R Cunningham (RC) (Chair), E Brown, N Robertson, E MacDonald, C McGeoch, L Stevenson. C Price & 5 members of public.

Apologies: M McCrae (Vice Chair & Treasurer), W Walker (Secretary), N Kelly, I McKillop. Councillor L Reid-McConnell, Councillor E Jassemi.

2.0 Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Approved by C McGeoch and seconded by N Robertson.

3.0 Matters Arising:

3.1 Dumbarton Road: response advising retailers don't require licences for selling vapes. RC will raise condition of pavement and street scape 1215-1431.

3.2 Expressway/VPDS condition: roads assessed, doesn't meet criteria for works.

3.3 Mural (Whiteinch tower): grant approved at Area Partnership, ongoing discussion via L Reid-McConnell to initiate community engagement and get project completed before end of financial year.

3.4 Whiteinch Burgh Hall and Ladywell School: former discussed at length, with recent weeding and tidying of site completed. RC reaching out to Cllrs for update on latter.

3.5 Victoria Park: basketball courts - complaint from a resident on VPDN, has already been followed up by Cllrs and Police.

Defibrillator - battery has been replaced, RC to liaise with neighbouring CCs for funding contributions.

Play park -condition of equipment, not very high up priority list as a whole, though pirate ship work ongoing.

3.6 St Paul's PS: concern raised from headteacher about site survey from an unknown source. Since clarified was WSHA scoping study on development - no further action required at present.

3.7 Cycle path: old railway line / cycle path signage refers to and directs users to Renfrew Ferry, which was ended over a year ago owing to opening of new bridge. Action to reach out to Cllrs in first instance.

3.8 SFRS Local Fire and Rescue Plan: inviting members to lodge their views, and RC to complete on behalf of WCC.

3.9 Fireworks Roundtable: Patricia Ferguson MP hosting discussion event to gather views for Private Member's Bill, RC to attend on behalf and will report back.

4.0 Reports:

4.1 **Police:** Police report sent to inbox.

4.2 **Councillors:** no ward councillors in attendance, apologies noted from L Reid-McConnell and E Jassemi.

4.3 **Area Partnership:** successful Whiteinch Tower mural application, ongoing work to ensure full NIIF funding spent before end of financial year. Desire that projects move quicker with shorten turnaround times for costings to help WCC (and other CCs) spent their allocation.

4.4 **Fossil Grove:** works complete, still issues that should be resolved.

4.5 **Friends of Victoria Park:** successful bat walk recently, Armistice event being planned. Fossil Grove rockfall path to be reopened, due to vegetation growth while closed a clean up will be required.

4.6 **Victoria Park Community Trust:** dealing with broken fence on Expressway side, health and safety issue due to recent near miss.

4.7 **WSHA/Whiteinch Centre:** J Ward to attend next meeting.

4.8 **Social Media:** no update

5.0 **Finance:** Current balance is £694.03.

6.0 **Licensing:** street trader licence application in for facility on South Street / Jordan Street. No issues raised.

7.0 **Planning Applications:**

Phone mast 26/00767/FUL developer has intimated this would be withdrawn but until such times consider this as possible.

Phone mast 26/01734/PNT same substantive mast in different location outside of park. Have objected on same grounds as before.

Phone mast 26/01947/PNT monopole style mast on South Street. No issues, despite proximity to Whiteinch crane as area is fairly industrial as it stands.

8.0 **AOCB:** members of public, associated with Clyde College, discussed their project on Whiteinch Burgh hall. We discussed current condition, what avenues have been explored previously, and the reality of the situation. Signposted to few different places and remained contactable.

Next meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th October at 6.30pm in the Whiteinch Centre.