

Grangemouth (incl Skinflats) Community Council

Minutes of meeting of Grangemouth (incl Skinflats) Community Council

Held within Community Education Unit, Abbots Road, Grangemouth

On 16th August 2018

Present:

Community Councillors A. Mullen, W.Inglis, M.Richards, K.McIntosh, S.Aitkenhead, M.Milne, J.Miller, T.Brown, D.Higgins L.McKay,

In Attendance:

A.Lowe and R.Brown (Grangemouth Community Care), Rev W.Shaw (St Mary's Church), K.Hogarth, K.Martin, R.Martin (Members of the Public)

Apologies:

CClr L.Linton, Councillor A.Black

Police Scotland Report 1-31/7/18 (2 officers attending) A copy of the Police Scotland Report for July can be found as an appendix to these minutes.

Follow up questions:

1 Q How do requests for police assistance that are not attended documented and recorded?

*A Not directly in the CC monthly report but all calls are logged and noted for action dependent on whether a crime has been committed.*

2 Q What action can be taken in relation to vehicle parking across dropped kerbs?

*A Only actionable if the dropped kerb is accompanied by a white line. Blockage of a dropped kerb in front of a driveway is an offence.*

3 Q What action can be taken when a vehicle is parked on the footpath?

*A A vehicle blocking the footpath such that it cannot be negotiated by a pedestrian is actionable*

***It should be noted that in relation to questions 2 & 3 that the offences have to be seen by police officers. That is just the way that traffic law is written***

4 Q where is the police control centre for our locality?

*A Bilston Glen*

Community Safety Team Report 1-31/7/18 No Community Safety Team Report for July submitted.

18/51 Minutes the minutes of the meeting held on 19 July were adopted on the motion C Cllr S.Aitkenhead and seconded by C Cllr K.McIntosh with the exception of item 18/50 that the proposer felt did not wholly reflect the intent of the proposal. The proposal identified in item 18/50 will by agreement with the proposer be discussed more fully at a later date.

18/52 Matters Arising

18/04 First Bus this issue has been overtaken by the wider introduction by First Bus of service changes following their public consultation exercise. Cllr L.Murtagh has achieved an initial success by having the F23 service extended. There will however be changes to the 3/4 service provision as previously proposed due the problems arising from car parking at the Stevenson St/Central Ave junction.



**18/53 Correspondence** CClr Richards confirmed that all correspondence had been distributed to Community Councillors.

Convener A.Mullen advised that anyone attending wishing to view correspondence should contact the CC Secretary and relevant information would be provided.

**18/54 Planning** CClr W.Inglis advised colleagues that following representations received from Biofuels Watch a further submission has been made to Falkirk Council with regard to the proposal to extend the deemed planning permission for a Biomass fuelled power plant within the Port of Grangemouth.

**18/55 Treasurers Report.** Balance of account as of 27th July £3814.45

**18/56 Matters raised by Members of the Public.** CClr S.Aitkenhead has received enquiries reference progress with Zetland Park. CClr T.Brown as the representative of FoZP on the Community Council gave an update on current funding position and also advised that a person has been recruited to coordinate the project.

K.Hogarth raised for public awareness the treatment she has experienced from Falkirk Council in relation to an issue when dealing with the Garden Aid Service. As the matter has been raised with CClr A.Black it is noted but will not be pursued by GCC.

Bothkennar residents K.Martin and R.Martin raised concerns around the granting of planning permission to the RSPB in respect of their proposals for the managed realignment of the River Forth. In particular they expressed concern that despite representations made to Ward Councillors to call the application in for further scrutiny based on their extensive local knowledge no such request had been made. The removal of the river embankment between the mouth of the River Carron and the Kincardine Bridge will clearly have a significant impact on the area in the event of a surge tide. This is clearly a subject that requires a level of expertise not available to the CC. Mr and Mrs Martin were advised to contact the team assessing the options for implementing the Grangemouth Flood Relief project.

**AOCB** Members were advised of the resignation from the CC of L.Linton (treasurer). CClr M.Richards reminded colleagues that our AGM was scheduled for September when all office bearers stand down so there is no imperative to fill the treasurer role. However all colleagues should consider what roles they would be willing to fill going forward

CClr W.Inglis updated colleagues on the ongoing Community Planning Process and proposed meetings with our industrial neighbours.

As a follow-up to the Community Conversation event held in June the Community Planning Strategic Partners group has identified 5 key areas for immediate action, they are:

1. Housing and type of housing
2. Town Centre Regeneration and local infrastructure
3. Employment and Employability and connectivity to local business and industry
4. GP Provision and access to health services
5. Local information and civic pride

There being no further business the meeting was closed

**The next public meeting of the Community Council will be held on 20th September at 7pm**





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### Community Council meeting

Name of  
Community Council:

Monthly ward report: Grangemouth  
Date of meeting: 16/08/2018  
Author of report: PC Nathan Robb  
Report presented by: PC Nathan Robb  
Reporting period: 01/07/2018 – 31/07/2018

Foreword:

This monthly report is intended to provide the local community with information on local policing issues and local police activity. Following consultation with the local community, the local priorities for the Grangemouth ward area are:

- Anti-Social Behaviour, Violence & Disorder
- Drug Dealing & Drug Misuse
- Road Safety
- Dishonesty Crimes

Please note that any data presented within this report has been extracted from internal systems within Police Scotland and should not, in anyway, be interpreted as official Scottish Government recorded crime statistics.



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#### Ward Priorities

#### ASB, VIOLENCE & DISORDER

During the reporting period there have been 15 charges raised in relation to crimes of disorder. Of these, 13 charges have been detected and 2 remain undetected with enquiries ongoing to trace the offenders.

- 10 of these crimes of disorder were in public places.
- 5 of these crimes of disorder were in private dwellings or were domestic in nature.
- 0 of these was youth related.

During the reporting period there have been 12 charges raised in relation to crimes of assault. Of these, 9 charges have been detected and 3 remain undetected with enquiries ongoing to trace the offenders.

- 3 of these was an assault in public place.
- 9 of these were assaults in private dwellings or were domestic in nature.
- 0 of these were youth related.

During the reporting period there have been 21 charges raised in relation to crimes of vandalism. Of these, 0 charges have been detected and 14 remain undetected with enquiries ongoing to trace the offenders.

- 15 of these were vandalisms to property.
- 6 of these were vandalisms to motor vehicles.

#### DRUG DEALING & DRUG MISUSE

During the reporting period there has been 20 charges raised in relation to drug related offences. These include offences for possession of controlled drugs, being concerned in the supply of controlled drugs and incidents where Recorded Police Warnings were issued.

During the reporting period there was 2 drugs search warrants executed in the Grangemouth ward area.

Drug dealing and drug misuse continue to be a problem in the local community. Any information in relation to suspected drug offences can be relayed directly to Police Scotland in strictest confidence by phoning 101 or anonymously by phoning Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.





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#### ROAD SAFETY

During the reporting period the following road traffic offences have been detected in the Grangemouth ward area:

- 0 Speeding offences
- 0 Mobile phone offence
- 1 No seatbelt offences
- 12 Miscellaneous (such as no mot)
- 3 No insurance
- 0 Drink / drug driving
- 0 Driving whilst disqualified

In response to concerns raised by the local community in relation to speeding, ward officers have been utilising the Handheld Radar Device within the Grangemouth Ward area during the reporting period.

#### DISHONESTY CRIMES

During the reporting period there have been 40 charges raised in relation to crimes of dishonesty. Of these, 15 charges have been detected and 25 remain undetected with enquiries ongoing to trace the offenders.

- 0 of these were theft or attempted theft by housebreaking.
- 1 of these were thefts of motor vehicles.
- 1 of these were thefts from motor vehicles.
- 36 of these were minor thefts or thefts by shoplifting.
- 2 of these were related to fraud.

#### OTHER LOCAL ISSUES AND EVENTS

Hand held radar has also been utilised in the Grangemouth area, due to reports of speeding in the area.

The Bowhouse and Charlotte Dundas areas continue to be priority areas with extra police patrols deployed to prevent ASB, Disorder and Violence. In addition local ward officers are also continuing to pay close attention to the playgrounds of the local primary school's due to reports of youths causing anti-social behaviour.

Throughout the month of July local ward officers were supported by officers from the divisional violence reduction unit who completed plain clothes patrols of Grangemouth.

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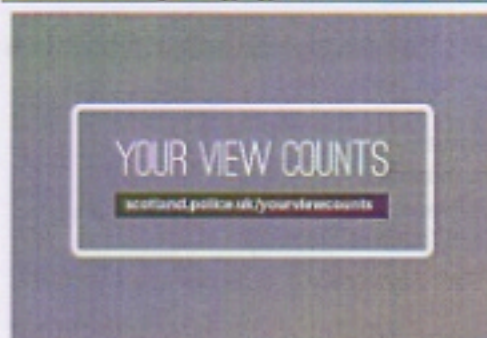




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#### Community Engagement and Reassurance



Police Scotland is launching a new process for public consultation. The aim is to widen the existing consultation process by making the consultation survey available online and accessible all year round.

The survey can be found via the Police Scotland website;  
[www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts](http://www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts)

Feedback from  
meeting:

Please email the ward Policing team in relation to any feedback from this meeting at  
[GrangemouthCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:GrangemouthCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

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