

Minutes of Neilston Community Council 27th February in the Glen Halls, Neilston at 7pm.

Present, J Scott, J Sheriff, R Mould, J Connery , M Pettigrew, E Mould, R Junner, Cllr Buchanan, Cllr Gilbert, PC Wilson (Police Scotland),

Apologies: S Crabbe, A Walker, Cllr O’Kane, J Connery

1. Police Report

Police report attached: Summarised below

3 Housebreakings. - Ongoing

3 House thefts - 3 arrested

Anti-social behaviour as indicated and alcohol seized from youths.

Brig O Lea terrace involving teenage youths

Vandalism

Car Wing mirror – Main St

Garden Fence – Dundonald Place

2 Car Wing mirrors – Kingston Rd

Broken window – Station Rd

5 further calls relating to youth behaviour but no criminality was established

Mini motorbike in Kingston Rd – no *trace*

Drink Driving – High St

The issue of the damage to cars in Kingston Rd was raised and whether anything was found from the CCTV cameras.

This has been raised directly with Police Scotland and ERC (copies of response attached).

The Police emphasised that CCTV was being utilised including the Scotrail system when British Transport Police are involved.

There is still an issue with youths entering the nursery grounds where CCTV is

Action from previous meeting not discussed, regarding Neighbourhood Watch. It was requested this was placed on the agenda for the March meeting.

2. Wardens

No wardens present

3. Locality Planning

The meeting regarding Locality Planning questionnaire development was cancelled and no date has been set to reconvene.

4. Kirkstyle Lane Development

It was confirmed that BHA have submitted an invoice to ERC for works carried out, we believe in relation to Kirkstyle Lane development proposals.

The TPO request will not be pursued until the outcome of the school development has been clarified.

The issue of parking was discussed with a comment that Roads will be looking at TRO's for Neilston after they have completed works in Giffnock.

It was pointed out that TRO's require enforcement if they are to work and the Warden Service is not regularly seen in Neilston at present to enforce current TRO's and with the potential reduction in this service there is unlikely to be an improvement in parking.

5. Community Council Issues

The issue of excess on the Public Liability Insurance still needs to be addressed.

The letter to the Cabinet Secretary regarding the recognition of Community Councils as Community Bodies has been acknowledged.

6. Planning

On Line Representations in Planning

A meeting was held with the Chair of the Planning Applications Committee of ERC regarding this issue. Cllr Ireland has agreed to look into the matter and consider

Taylor Wimpey – Neilston Rd

The Community Council have commented on the revised proposal for Neilston Road.

The Registered Social Landlord (RSL) taking forward the rented part of the affordable housing part of the development is now Barrhead Housing Association.

7. Windfarm Community Benefit

No update but minor changes requested by Oscar (see CAG minutes attached).

8. Project Updates

Main St Puffin Crossing.

This issue is still ongoing but no feedback on the issues raised to ERC on Roads Department involvement or producing a leaflet for village (e.g. in school bags)

Bus Bay – Main St

It was agreed we would write to interested parties to see if a working group could be formed to look at this issue as per previous minutes.

Main Street Public realm

The shopkeepers have written to ERC to open up dialog in considering options to return this space to the public realm.

An issue was raised regarding NDT and landfill tax administration, where it was stated that NDT were now administering the Landfill Tax.

Unfortunately the NDT representative was not present at the meeting to comment. It was stated that NDT have had approximately £100k per annum from the windfarm fund with no direct Community benefit and may continue to do so under the legacy fund proposals, which have to be announced.

This has raised a number of questions which we are sure NDT will be happy to address.

Main St – Shop Car Parking

The issue was raised regarding the condition of the car park behind the Main St shops. This is also being raised through the CAG

Additional Village Works

Ongoing from last meeting Members were requested to consider both individually and via organisations they represent what additional works they might consider proposing to ERC in relation to village improvements.

This would enable priorities to be considered and provide the time for additional funding and support to be considered.

Kingston Park

Toddlers Play area

Works are here and the outcome has been welcomed.

Skate Park

There was a potential issue regarding this reported at the CAG where the contractor was alleged to “lack commitment”. This has been raised with ERC via Mark Brand the Outdoor Access officer to ascertain the correct position.

It was reported that the project was being retendered and might increase in cost. In addition the project would not be completed this year because of the above process.

The Head of Planning for ERC confirmed at the CAG meeting that the costs would increase potentially by £10K because of this but this additional sum would be provided by ERC to keep the WREN funding ratio below the matched funding threshold.

The letter to the ERC Outdoor Access officer was read out at the meeting.

.Summer Event

No update.

Members were asked to propose ideas and contributions.

WWI Event

No update

9. Sports Hub Engagement

Ongoing

10. Charter Advisory Group

The approved CAG notes are attached.

10. Minutes

The minutes having been circulated were proposed by E Mould and seconded by R Mould and approved.

11. Finance

Current Account: £971

Reserve Account: £1187.78.

The next meeting is Tuesday March 27th 2018 at 7pm in the Glen Halls