

Giffnock Community Council

Minute of Meeting: 25th October 2022

At Giffnock Library



1	Recording of meeting The Chairperson advised that the meeting would be recorded for the purpose of minute taking and in accordance with the relevant data protection regulations.
2	Welcome – The Chairperson welcomed members and members of the public.
3	Minute Taking – the chairperson advised that due to not having secretary, SVDA will take the minutes.
4	Members Present Cindy Berry (CB) – Chairperson, Jack Wells (JW), Scot Van Den Akker (SVDA) Iain Wilkinson (IW)
5	Apologies - Cllr Wallace, Cllr Merrick
6	Previous minute 20th September 2022 Minutes approved.
7	Police Report No Police presence or reports. CB to again contact Vincent McCulloch regarding this.
8	Disability Parking Provost Montague sent GCC Chair CB an email containing a statement on disabled parking from the Roads Department (copy available). After a brief discussion it was agreed that this response was unacceptable and insufficient. We will contact the Roads Department and remind them that Cllr McDonald in Busby managed to secure disabled parking in key areas such as outside chemists. Why can't this be rolled out across East Ren? CB will draft a response to both Cllrs and Roads Dept.
9	Parks and Overgrown Paths in Giffnock Cllr Wallace followed up on this with the relevant people but there was an error in communication and ERC replied as if the issue was the spread of weeds and branches from private houses, and not the public footpaths through parks etc. It was left with Cllr Wallace giving details of this response to the Parents Council of OLM as that is where the complaints arose from. CB will contact Cristina to see if anything has progressed.
10	GCC Proposal to amend the Scheme of Establishment CB informed the meeting that she had been in discussions with another ERC Community Council re the above. She has a draft document to circulate among CC members and will attend in person an ERC discussion on this topic tabled to the agenda at a Full Council meeting on Wednesday 26 th October 2022.
11	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none">Leisure Centre – a summary of the recent meeting held by ERC as to an update on progress was circulated. As expected, costs had soared: the new estimate was 50% higher than original cost £55m now sitting at £74m. There had also been £4.5m spent on consultants. GCC discussion ensued and we will contact ERC to ask for enhancement in these areas:

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What about the renovation costs? Are they now more affordable in context? Why is this option rarely discussed or take to the people of East Ren? 2. Is this PFI or grant funded? It is important to see whether this is a transparent process and not adding debt to a debt mountain. 3. Is there a cap on spending? What is too much? £80m? £100? 4. Is there a clause to fine/penalise builders if they overrun or demand more money etc? Would any contract be legally watertight and in favour of ERC? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Silent fireworks – although ERC doesn't run any events, we feel they should promote both silent fireworks and limits on events, such as a few days before etc, rather than the weeks and weeks we have now. • Scottish Water -a member of the public brought issues regarding speeding and aggressive driving near Braidbar Primary School due to the road works in the area. There is no official 'twenty is plenty' scheme but we will contact ERC re traffic calming measures, even if temporary, especially for Braidpark Drive which is being used more often and is seeing speeds inappropriate for the area. • Giffnock Court House – a member of the public asked who owns this, is it ever used, and could it become a public building/amenity? GCC will ask questions re ownership and usage.
12	<p>DONM 15th November @ 7.30pm in Giffnock Library</p>