

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAINS ESTATE RESIDENTS'
ASSOCIATION

Held on Wednesday 24 October 2012 within Douglas Academy at 7.30 p.m.

Present

Committee – Mr J Kerr, Mrs E Gibson, Mrs R Hooper, Ms J Horn, Mrs E Adie
& Mrs F McNeish

In attendance – Cllr Gotts

Police Officers – Chambers and MacLean

Environmental Warden - Mr Timoney

Apologies

Cllr Henry, Cllr Gibbons and Sarah Longrigg

Chairperson's Opening Remarks

JK welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Police Report

The Officers reminded us that this was the time of year to ensure that you do not leave your car turning over to defrost unattended as some vehicles had been targeted in the Baljaffray area. Also this is the time of year for Halloween pranks and fireworks, again residents should be vigilant. Clarification was sought on what age youngsters can handle fireworks and it is 18. Younger than this should be supervised by a responsible adult. It was also pointed out that there was still a vehicle parking irresponsibly on Hunter Road which was spoiling the effect of the improvement work that had been done. It was also mentioned that a resident had called into the local police office and was not attended to. Eventually she had to telephone from the office to report a farm animal which could cause a serious accident.

Environmental Wardens Report

The Wardens had been in the area tackling dog fouling, however no tickets were issued. Although one had been issued outside St Joseph's school. The "no butts" campaign had been a success with several fines issued and awareness raised. The night noise telephone number 0300 12345 10 can be used also to report dead animals etc.

Minutes of Meeting on 26 August 2012

Proposed - JH Seconded - EG

Matters Arising

JH and RH advised that they had attended the consultation on the primary school estate. Several proposals were suggested which included one super primary school, merging several schools and perhaps merging the two catholic primary schools, one in Milngavie and the other Bearsden. EDC would be taking note of the comments and consulting further with parents and teachers. Hacking and Paterson are not the factors for the footpath which is overgrown so JK is trying to find out who is responsible in order for the trees to be cut back.

We have continued to monitor the bus terminus and all buses seem to be complying with what was agreed and are managing the roundabout ok. The service is well used. Cllr Gotts confirmed he had had another meeting with First Bus and they will not turn the clock back and resume the service to Baljaffray. In addition City bus are running a service 18A which goes from Milngavie (Craigdhu Rd), Baljaffray onto Anniesland which will hopefully help, although this is a subsidised service.

RH advised that the M & B Herald had phoned about the LDP and our flyer to residents that border the area affected. Seemingly the paper had been contacted by some residents so an article may appear. It is understood that preparation of the section on land supply within the LDP Main Issues Report has been postponed to allow EDC to make a case for not having to use such huge amounts of land whereby private sector housing would be funding the building of rented accommodation. It is understood that for every rented property it could be up to 4 private houses for every one rented. Comments were made that properties were not selling as it is.

Treasurer's Report

Balance £8566.78 JH agreed to contact EDC about goal post funds.

Park Update

We hope to hear any day about our funding application and Jackie Gillespie is still costing foot path for the park.

Website Update

A few comments were posted re the LDP proposals for greenbelt.

Community Council Update

RH mentioned that there had been nominations submitted for the Community Council but understood that an election had not been required as there was not enough nominations. Several of the original members were not returning so some new people should be joining. The next CC meeting is 7 Nov 2012.

Cycling has always not been allowed in the precinct but efforts are being made to enforce this. Two people are interested in purchasing the toilets. The Youth Café will be given to a group to run on a long lease.

Residential Matters

RH advised that whilst reporting a fallen tree during the last high winds EDC had advised that a section of the land which **does** belong to them, did not. This is where the Millenium Woodland is and runs from the Douglas Academy access road up to the Douglas Muir Housing and includes sections of the Core Path. Cllrs Gibbons and Gotts have looked into this and are arranging to resolve these issues.

AOCB

RH has e-mailed the Council to ask for the leaves to be cleared and we should encourage residents to report this along with any maintenance that is required. RH also suggested that for future we could give consideration to meeting during the day during the winter if this suited the current committee. It will be given consideration.

Correspondence

Invitation to attend consultation on EDC Stakeholder Working Group on 31 October 2012. RH will attend

Date of Next Meeting

12th December 2012