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### BRIGHTONS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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*Brightons Community Council aims to improve the amenities and quality of life for people in Brightons & Rumford and to encourage community participation. They are a constituted group of volunteers with strong networks with Falkirk Council, police, government and environmental agencies. We welcome individuals or groups who may wish to seek help, raise concerns or hear about issues affecting Brightons/Rumford. Our meetings are non political, informal and open to everyone. Feel free to take a copy of these minutes, email us or attend any of our meetings, held on the last Thursday of each month, in the community centre hall behind the church buildings.*

### **MINUTES OF MEETING Incorporating Agenda for Next Meeting**

**HELD AT:** Brightons Community Hall

**DATE:** 25 Jan 2018

**PRESENT:** Moira Heeps, R Barrie, Sgt Jim Dougal, 5 members of public, Cllr Hughes, Peter Queen, Cllr McLuckie, A Cross, J Shepherd, TGrieve,

**APOLOGIES:** Cllr Kerr, PC Lorimer

**MINUTES:** The minutes of November 2017 were noted & accepted.

#### **BUSINESS ARISING:**

**Welcome:** TG opened the meeting, wishing all a Happy New year

#### **Police Report:**

Sgt Dougal presented the report highlighting 93 calls to the police over the last 2 periods, 11 reported crimes, mostly minor issues.

There have been a few incidents of theft in Brightons and Braes generally and car keys continue to be left in view of house windows- making theft easy. Keep all keys away from sight and doors.

Extra patrols are taking place to make the police more visible.

PC Gary Mackie has commenced his new role as Community Officer for the Upper Braes Ward 9 area and is looking forward to joining the team of officers in our area.

The police are available to provide anti crime help and personal protection advice to the public on request and will be very willing to help to any requests.

[www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk)

There was a police consultation regarding disposal of un-used buildings. Maddiston, although not manned, is not earmarked for disposal/selling.

Anti social behaviour – dog fouling and anti social behaviour can be reported to **Community Safety Team** 0808 100 3161.

Ring 101 for non police emergencies.

PC Lorimer can be left messages via phoning 101, and quoting his number, being 196.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** BofS statement at 30 Oct 17 was £634.57. Accounts are being audited

**CORRESPONDENCE** was placed on the table and discussed with those present.

**Planning Applications:** minor domestic alterations

#### **A.O.C.B.**

**Hall** Cllr Hughes will press FDC for decision on repairs and feedback. No progress can be done until then. ongoing discussions with FDC. Personal committee Public insurance to be taken out. Further updates will be advised. MH advised the Electrical plugs and heating faults are outstanding and have been costed at +£2k. MH will chase councillors for updates. Transfer of Hall will depend on these being done.

<b>BT Building</b>	They have been chased again for completion of works. ditto
<b>Quarry Park beds</b>	Have been repaired with help from Justice dept. Klondyke Garden centre is providing guidance on plant types. Materials cost is £100 each.
<b>Briar Brae Park Gdns</b>	Hedges overgrown has been reported to FDC along with lack of give way markings. Many vehicles going against no entry including refuse vehicles. Cllr Hughes will enquire.
<b>Election</b>	Brightons Community Council has 5 out of 6 places nominated and volunteered.
<b>Park Gardens</b>	Cllr Hughes will enquire if a pavement can be laid at front of no4.
<b>Bank</b>	Cllr Hughes will enquire as to who is liable for grass/ ground maintenance
<b>Bus Shelter</b>	at top of Quarry Brae Rumford has been removed. A new stop has been put opposite Compton cottages. Cllr Hughes will task FDC why there was no community engagement or replies to email.
<b>Road accident</b>	there had been another road accident at the top of Quarry Brae involving a motorbike, and another one. Correspondence has been rec'd from member of the public raising concern. FDC have been asked for the report feedback into the earlier case.
<b>Litter/dog bins</b>	Dog bins are now removed as normal bins are to be used instead. It was noted some are in poor locations, obstructing pavements etc, especially Craiglaw Terrace & Waggon Rd. PQ to enquire re positions of bins and cycle of emptying as some near 4in1 regularly overflow.
<b>Standrigg Rd</b>	There will be an FDC meeting to discuss the application.
<b>Street Lighting</b>	Enquires rec'd about ongoing improvements for other streets.
<b>Lights in lane</b>	at side of church leading to Hall and car park are faulty. G Hughes will enquire.
<b>Falkirk Safety Panel</b>	Have a new web site.
<b>School Alarm</b>	Primary school alarm has been going off recently and continues for hours on end before attended to, causing annoyance. PQ to check with school.
<b>Church Masonic hall</b>	It was noted the long serving organist John Wilson, had passed away. Parking on function nights on corners is hindering visibility.
<b>Locality Planning</b>	FDC have issued a consultation note about new engagement initiative. Details tbc
<b>Election</b>	Tom Grieve retired from the Chairman's role. He wished the group prosperity. Tom was warmly thanked for his long standing and valued support to the Community Council.

New session election results were:-

Chairman - Moira Heeps. Vice Chairman - Tom Grieve

Secretary / Treasurer - Peter Queen. Other Committee members:-

Rab Barrie. Alister cross. Co-opted members - Valerie Hallows, John Shepherd &

Gordon Mason. **FDC have since advised only 1 person should be co-opted.**

With no further business to discuss for the meeting was brought to a close.

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE 22<sup>nd</sup> FEBRUARY 2018 at 7pm.**

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