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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: 27 September 2018

PRESENT: V Hallows, A Cross, 3 members of public, Peter Queen, PC Lorimer, Cllr Hughes
Moira Heeps, Carolin Lowe.

APOLOGIES: V+B Napier. TGrieve, J Shepherd. **Apols for next time from VH and Mrs Harlow**

MINUTES: The minutes of August 2018 were noted & accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Welcome: MH opened and thanks to VH again for the FK Herald minutes – getting good feedback.

Police Report:

Stephen presented the report highlighting 33 calls to the police over the last period. Antisocial events were higher near the prison – police are raising profile, also youths on roof of church. 10 crimes reported. Some drug abuse issues, resulting in arrests.

Homelea and Waggon rd will continue to be targeted. Burglary is down, but do keep items secure and keys away from windows etc, and look out for neighbours property also.

The kid dummies/ bollards are proving very effective, being used instead of traffic cones, as is additional police attendance. Wallacetone primary are intending getting their own.

On going work with YOI and police.

“Police Scotland Youth volunteers “ is a new group, encouraging youths & club participation, similar to BB / scouts etc. and gives insight to the force.

Parking officers from FDC are being funded for known specific trouble areas.

Cycling whilst using a phone use is illegal.

Neighbour hood watch alerts are proving very useful, and PC Lorimers' contribution and use of the service was commended.

Notes of high speed on Quarry Brae. Cllr Hughes has arranged for the traffic assessment / count survey thru/out the village.

Scams are prevalent, on phone and computer based. Be aware.

www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk – .

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 30/5/18 was £1480.85.

Public Insurance £ 70.92 paid and receipt received. Plants cost £61.92

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

Planning Applications: minor domestic alterations

A.O.C.B.

Hall

MH reported heating is still erratic. Engineer called on 29th, and a new timer needs fitted. Also separate thermostats are required. The new boiler is not compatible with existing kit. Other pieces of system are needing replaced. H Wilson of FDC needs to approve improvement but is proving elusive. Cllr Hughes will enquire with HW. Roller door electrical fittings still not satisfactory. Cllr Hughes will chase FDC again. MHeeps has chased Karen Hunter of FDC again with no response. PAT testing resulted in some fails.

BT Building BT have replied, chasing building estates for an update and conclusion to the painting. They have replied suggesting schedules of work should be known this month.

Quarry Park beds *Some residents in Main Street have been assisting with the upkeep of the flower beds. Weeds are prevalent again in the beds, thanks to those who have been helping in that regard. MH has sourced person to weed at £15/hr. Agreed to 2hr (correction to 2) per fortnight per growing season.*

Winter baskets about to be issued, to shops that agree to maintain, along with the big planters in the park. Villagers have put some plants in the perennial beds. Klondyke G Centre helped with gratis materials, bulbs and delivery. B&V Napier has weeded the garden beds.

Briar Brae FDC (Jason Mackay) advised works should be done soon. Good progress has been made but sign-age for Willow Brae and school still being chased. Stet.

Road accident freedom of info have been sought ex emergency services. Awaiting feedback

Standrigg Rd Persimon homes. VH advised application was refused by FD Council Lower **Standrigg Rd** app .Val advised the Reporter has refused the appeal. It was also noted that Forth Valley Health did not provide stats on health services usage in the area, which was considered shoddy in view of the known capacity problems in the surrounding service area.

MiddleRigg PIN Reddingmuirhead at MiddleRigg, new application. The criteria for Social housing requirement was discussed.

Station Road Dot Reid and Raymond Smith advised most of these notifications are emailed, or issued via twitter (@FCRoads) and social media, which is not always suitable for everyone.

Redding Road Prison junction FDC replied, advising that statistically the junction does not warrant additional road safety/calming measures on the road. However they did advise that safety conditions of the small development had yet to be carried out, so we will ask the planning dept (R McCall). and cc JmCLuckie. **PQ has chased the planning dept**, but no details as yet.

Quarry Park roads and hedges

BCC to request a survey + poss photo survey with Jason MaKay, and cc JmCL to help encapsulate the issue. Also noted that other hedges are overgrown in the villages including those at Sunnyside Road junctions and further along quarry Park. PQ showed pics from the pavement edge.

Canal Tow Path seating along stretches of the canal. Cllr Hughes advised, that FDC was in principle was ok, but they will ask Scottish Canals.

Briar Brae An FDC house is vacant but gardens are needing attention. Cllr Hughes advised once a tenant is in place there will be a single grass cutting. Likely to happen soon.

Roundabout Wimpey homes/old cricket ground – is overgrowing / obscuring visibility – PQ has asked Dot Reid, also signage is faded (R. Steadman)

Braes High Iain Livingston has offered to give a presentation about the school. Dates tbc
AOCB

Suspended Councillors are still able to work in normal circumstances, but not executive committees. Bin collection may change in 2019, subject to applications to Zero Scotland in the next financial year. Cenotaph wreath and donation of £53 agreed.

Local Plan The consultation document has been issued by FDC. This will steer the areas' whole infrastructure, amenities and economy in the next medium to long term. Public are urged to get involved. A meeting was being held in the chapel to discuss this topic with Pender Gardens residents. Cllr Hughes will link us.

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

NEXT MEETING WILL BE 25th October 2018 at 7pm.

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Police Service of Scotland

Community Council meeting

Name of
Community Council:

Brightons Community Council

27/09/2018

Foreword:

Since the last meeting there have been 33 calls relating to the Brightons area. Those mostly consist of the following:

Domestic Incidents
Road Traffic
Neighbour Disputes
Anti-Social Behaviour

10 Crimes have been recorded in the Brighton's area since the last meeting.

4 of these relate to incidents within Polmont YOI and have no impact on the wider Brightons Community.



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Ward Priorities

ASB, VIOLENCE & DISORDER

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) & Disorder can take many forms. It ranges from open space ASB and disorder which can impact on large sections of the local community to private space ASB, such as neighbour issues, which can impact on only a small number of individuals. Regardless of the form of ASB or the number of people it affects, it can cause significant issues for those affected by it. In order to tackle ASB, Disorder & Violence within the Lower Braes ward area, Police Scotland will work closely with partners, identifying the locations and offenders who pose the greatest risk and then take appropriate intervention and enforcement action. This includes patrols of key locations by Police and partner agencies, intervention visits to known offenders, support and reassurance to repeat victims and regular, proactive engagement and visits at licensed premises.

A number of reports have been received in relation to youth disorder on Redding Road, and within the grounds of Brightons Church. Officers continue to patrol these areas.

DRUG DEALING & DRUG MISUSE

Community officers are working constantly to develop intelligence in relation to drug offenders. Drug search warrants are regularly executed in the local area. Drugs are not only linked to local crime but can also be linked to organised crime at a national level and can significantly impact on the local community. It is therefore vital that Police and partner agencies, working with the local community, tackle drug dealing and drug misuse, using all available tactics and option to remove drugs from the community. There are also clear health risks associated with drugs and many drug users within the local community are vulnerable. It is therefore vital that intervention and prevention play a key role as well as enforcement activity when it comes to tackling drugs.

Officers discovered a small cannabis cultivation within a house in Brightons this month. One male has been reported to the PF for drugs offences.

ROAD SAFETY

Police Scotland is committed to improving Road Safety and reducing the number of people killed or injured on Scotland's roads. The key focus is on casualty reduction and therefore police activity needs to be focussed on reducing the number of collisions. The following offences/driving behaviour are linked to road collisions:

Mobile Phone Offences, Seatbelt Offences and speeding.

A number of calls have been received regarding road traffic matters. Calls regarding parking issues at Waggon Road and Holmlea Avenue have dropped but the areas continue to be monitored.

DISHONESTY CRIMES

Crimes of dishonesty can take many forms and include minor Thefts as well as the more serious offences of Housebreakings to residential houses and Theft of Motor Vehicles. There are many stands to tackling this type of crime including preventative measures such as police patrols and police road checks at the right locations and at the right time. There are investigative measures, which include the recovery of forensic evidence and progressing CCTV enquiries and there are intelligence measures, which includes sharing information with local neighbouring Divisions and targeting repeat offenders for these types of crimes.

There have been no reports of thefts or housebreaking's this month in Brightons.



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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



www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk

Feedback from meeting:

Brightons Community Council Meeting
 Thursday 25th October 2018
COMMUNITY SAFETY TEAM

ASB Reports Please note, figures relate to the previous full calendar month.

Period: 01/09/18 – 30/09/18

Total ASB Reports Falkirk Council Area	Breakdown of 3 geographical areas		
78	EAST -Grangemouth, Bo'ness, Braes	WEST -Denny, Dunipace, Bonnybridge, Haggs, Banknock	CENTRAL -Falkirk North and South
	35	24	19

Hotspot Patrols

Area	Issues	Actions
NONE		We identify hotspot areas through a multi-agency tasking group involving Police Scotland, Falkirk Housing, SACRO and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. These are areas experiencing high levels of antisocial behaviour.

Investigations: Period 01/09/18 – 30/09/18

ASB Concern	No of reports
Dog Fouling & Control of Dogs	21
Litter & Fly Tipping	5
Youth related disorder	7
Other	2

Current CST activities in the area

The Community Safety Team continues to monitor for Litter, Dog fouling and Fly Tipping and Anti-Social Behaviour through patrols and reports received from the Local Community.

We are currently monitoring Laurie Park for Dog Fouling. We have engaged with a number of dog walkers and issued poo bags whilst patrolling the park.

Union Place is also being monitored for Dog Fouling. We are working alongside the local residents.

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