

Free to local residents

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 JULY 2019

PRESENT: Peter Queen, Moira Heeps, G Mason, R. Barrie, Val Hallows, V Napier, J Shepherd, Councillor Gordon Hughes. P Brown, Alistair Cross, PC Lorimer & PC Ross , EK, C Lowe, Tom Grieve,

APOLOGIES: J Porter, Cllr McLuckie.

MINUTES: The minutes of June 2019 were noted

BUSINESS ARISING:

Welcome: MH opened the meeting,

Police Report:

Since the last meeting there have been 55 calls relating to the Brightons area. Those mostly consist of the following:

Domestic Incidents, Road Traffic, Concern for Person, Missing Persons, Neighbour Disputes, empty farm building. The police are liaising with the owners to encourage the building to be kept secure.

Parking fines have been issued. As always, local residents are reminded to ensure that their properties, including any outbuildings and vehicles are secure, with any valuables hidden from site.

BE AWARE of money scams – if in any doubt do not deal with strangers. Wallacestone school – youths been congregating in empty playgrounds. Road congestion at new house building near pub.

Application for high fencing and CCTV at a domestic property was queried.

Police advising to report visits from cars, for short time-scale which may indicate suspicious behaviour. MH noted that PC Lorimer has been recognised for his good community work.

The local officers are now on Twitter

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.

The police can be left messages via phoning 101, and quoting their numbers, being 222 and 196

TREASURER'S REPORT:

BofS statement at 17 May 2019 £ 924.43. unchanged

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

Planning Applications: minor domestic alterations, and extensions.

Persimmon homes app/ Taylor at Middlerigg, Reddingmuirhead. Next meetings / FDC decision will be in September/Autumn.

A.O.C.B.

- Hall** Village Hall. Asset Transfer from FDC is only slowly moving.
PUBLIC Meeting in the Hall to secure long term sustainability of running the hall. Attendance to the meetings was quiet, however those that attended were engaging and interested in retaining the hall as a community amenity. Communications and advertising was felt to be the biggest challenge. Calendar of summer events has been broadcast on FaceBook and Falkirk Herald.
Heating system for hall was surveyed by CCL/Richard Irwin and the surveyor advised – found extensive errors/compliance issues with the electrical and radiator systems which will cause system errors. Cllr Hughes will take forward with FDC, who subsequently advised after an FDC survey that the various wires and loose hardware is redundant, but had been left in situ – but now hoping for these to be properly tidied. - though there is still dubiety on the report accuracy, re radiators etc. Cllr Hughes will ask for clarification.
- BT Building** PQ is still chasing for updates. BT have been chased. Lack of reply.
- Quarry Park beds** Baskets have been put out to shops - B Napier has replaced yet more brackets. Some baskets are being neglected which is disappointing. The gardener has been employed to maintain gardens. Further grant funding to be investigated.
- Emergency services** to enquire how emergency services record incidents and relevant locations. PQ
- POT HOLES** Randolph Cresc, Douglas Av – significant pot holes needing repaired. Cllr Hughes will enquire – awaiting more detail from FDC, enquiries are all logged.
- W'stone School** Continued inconsiderate parking in street by teachers etc, when they should use the car park. Setting bad example. Commercial rubbish bins, no lids, resulting in birds spread litter. Cllr Hughes awaiting more detail from FDC, enquiries are all logged.
- Redding Road** Pavement is still in a poor state. Roundabout plants starting to obscure sight of roads etc Cllr Hughes will enquire
- Defibrillator** RB has provided contacts, who may provide best practice.
MH contacted the Ambulance Service, and the locations are upto the individual group. To take this project forward, will need additional volunteer support.
Poss ask Masonic if they can help take project forward. PQ to enquire
- Broadband** Resident has queried that connections should be improved eg fibre lines.
- Bank building** Unkempt grounds at former bank. MH has chased building owners and provided details/pictures.
- Flowers** Flowers were send on behalf of BCC following an unexpected passing of a village resident.
- Disabled space on private roads** Cllr Hughes will enquire.
- Hedges** Bruce gardens – very overgrown onto pavement - Cllr Hughes will enquire.
Quarry Park – residents were enquiring if any development / updates on hedges. Also Sunnyside Rd junction is becoming overgrown.
- Nicolton Rd** rubbish collection is noted, though fly tipping unfortunately continues.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE 29th August 2019 at 7pm.

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