

## Reddingmuirhead & Wallacestone Community Council

### Minutes from Meeting Held on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018 in Community Hall, Reddingmuirhead, at 19:30hrs.

#### **Present:**

Danny Callaghan	Convenor
Jim McGovern	Vice Convenor
Paul Norris	Planning
John Brown	Treasurer
Ian Shotliff	Secretary

Members of the public.

#### **1. Welcome and Safety**

- a. Meeting opened by Danny Callaghan. No safety issues to record.

#### **2. Apologies**

- a. Douglas Japp. Minute Secretary.

#### **3. Report from Community Police Officer: P.C. Gary Mackie**

REDDINGMUIRHEAD. Since the last meeting there have been 22 calls made to police and are as follows; Disturbance, Police information calls, Road Traffic matters, Neighbour Dispute, Vandalism (private dwelling), abandoned vehicle, Missing person, Concern for person, Communications. As a result of the above calls being received there has been only 3 crime reports raised. 1) Assault, 2) Vandalism to private Dwelling, 3) Speeding offence detected 55mph in 30mph zone.

WALLACESTONE. Since the last meeting there have been 4 calls made to police and are as follows; Road Traffic matter, Assault (Hollybank residential home), Silent 999 call, Public nuisance (youths throwing branches onto roadway). One crime report was raised, Assault (Hollybank residential home).

It was agreed that a request for traffic police to carry our further speed check from Nobel View onto Shieldhill Road.

**Action: Danny Callaghan**

It was noted that Amina McPherson was now the Braes School Police Officer.

#### **4. Report by Community Officers**

- a. Report submitted by Simon Williams. Total ASB reports covering the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April -30<sup>th</sup> April 2018 for the area East (Grangemouth, Bo'ness and Braes) was 29

consisting of Dog fouling=17, Litter and fly tipping=6, Youth disorder=4 and Other=2. There were no reports for our area.

**5. Adoption of minutes of Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018.**

- a. No minutes were issued for the last meeting. **Action: Douglas Japp**

**6. Matters arising not listed below.**

- a. Nothing to report

**7. Planning**

- a. **Update on Standrigg Road Application:120 houses.** Paul stated the Gladman appeal is still ongoing and is registered with the Department for Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA). He stated that Falkirk Council has submitted their response to the DPEA however Brightons C.C. had not submitted their appeal. The method of determination is likely to be a site inspection. The target date for a decision is 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018.
- b. **Update on Standrigg Road/Wallacestone Brae Application.** Paul stated there were similar reasons for objecting to this development as there was for the above application. He stated there would probably be a pre-determination meeting but this was still to be announced.
- c. **Update on Canal side Inn Extension.** The retrospective planning application was approved by Falkirk Council. It was stated by Danny that there was no building warrant in place at the point of construction and also had to be approved retrospectively.
- d. **House next to Rhuma.** Danny stated that his understanding was that the new gate was for access to the agricultural shed. He stated this was also the understanding by two previous members for the community council. However a planning application for a second house was submitted to Falkirk Council on the 4<sup>th</sup> April and is awaiting a decision. Danny stated that he was concerned that this could lead to infill building between the new house and Rhuma. Ashley (member of the public) stated that there were no plans to develop the remaining land and this was viewed as agricultural land.
- e. **Other Planning Matters.** Only three minor applications were noted within the Community Council area and that was associated with replacement of a Conservatory roof, an outbuilding in Muirhead Place and an extension to a house in Maranatha Crescent.
- f. It was noted that there was a planning application submitted for the demolition of Roslyn Cottage on Wallacestone Brae and erection of a meeting hall. It was agreed we would check the planning applications to determine further information. **Action Paul Norris.**

## 8. Roads:

- a. **Lighting on Shieldhill Road.** Danny stated he had written to Falkirk Council regarding same but has not received a reply. **Action: Danny Callaghan**

## 9. Convenor's Report:

- a. Danny stated that he attended the recent Community Councils Convenors Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> April. Approximately 12 councils were in attendance. A summary of the salient points is as follows:
- b. Funding. Generally we only apply every second year which is approximately £150. This year the Community Councils will not need to make an application for funding. This will be arranged and paid directly by Falkirk Council. It was noted that our grant has not increased for some years but with the increase in housing in our community it was felt that the grant should increase. This will be checked with the council.  
**Action John Brown.**
- c. Data Protection. We must register with the Information Commissioner (ICO) as data controllers. There is a £35 registration fee which will be paid by Falkirk Council. Action All. With regards to GDPR Falkirk Council said that training will be provided on this however we need to determine what regulations we are required to comply with. **Action Ian Shotliff**
- d. Insurance. All Community Councils are required to have Public Liability insurance. John stated that the renewal letter had been received. It was agreed that we would look into whether this cost can be met by Falkirk Council and what cover was required. Action John Brown to check with Falkirk Council.
- e. Minutes. Danny stated that Minutes must be produced for each meeting with a copy emailed to Brian Pirie using the cclo@falkirk.gov.uk email address. Failure to provide minutes may result in withholding of the grant. **Action Douglas Japp**
- f. Agendas. Danny stated that these must be issued no less than 3 days before the meeting and should be publicly accessible. **Action Danny Callaghan**
- g. Training. Community Learning and Development (CLD) will provide support to community councils in regard to training. Training suggested includes role of chair, consulting with the community, licensing laws and social media. Training will also include planning regulations etc.

## 10. Vice Convenor's Report.

- a. An update was given by Jim McGovern on Anti-social Behaviour in our community. Jim stated that progress was being made and that an e-mail requesting an update had been received from Angus MacDonald our local MSP.

## 11. Secretary's Report.

- a. Nothing further to report.

#### **12. Treasurer's Report.**

- a. Funds held are £9.78. John stated that signatories need to be updated via French-Duncan. **Action: John Brown.**

#### **13. Community Council Communications.**

- a. A Facebook page is to be created. Paul said he will do this and will initially set up a closed group and review content before making it public. **Action Paul Norris.**

#### **14. Any other Business.**

- a. The community council received an invitation to the 100 years celebration of the RAF 1918-2018 which will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> May. However I am on holiday and other members are either away or unavailable. An apology will be sent to Lee Williamson at Falkirk Council. **Action Ian Shotliff.**

15. **Date of next meeting** will be 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and will be held in the Community Hall. It was noted that this meeting will be chaired by Jim McGovern as Danny Callaghan is on holiday.

16. Meeting closed at 20:45 hrs

**Minutes prepared by: *Ian Shotliff***

**8<sup>th</sup> May 2018**