

Reddingmuirhead & Wallacestone Community Council

Minutes from Meeting held on 9th April 2019 in Community Hall, Reddingmuirhead, at 19:30hrs.

Present:

Danny Callaghan	Convenor
Jim McGovern	Vice Convenor
Ian Shotliff	Secretary
Derek Kane	Community Council

20 Members of the public.

1. Welcome and Safety

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

2. Apologies

- a. Paul Norris
- b. Kate Connochie
- c. John Brown

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

- a. No report received from Community Police Officer.

4. Report by Community Officers

- a. Report submitted by Simon Williams. Total ASB reports covering the period from 1st - 31st March, 2019 was 93. For the East area (Grangemouth, Bo'ness and Braes) the total was 40, down 6 down on the previous month. The categories were Dog fouling=22, Litter and fly tipping=10, Youth disorder=6 and other=2.
- b. There were no major issues reported for our area.

5. Treasurers Report

- a. None submitted as treasurer was on holiday.

6. Adoption of minutes of Meeting held on 12th March, 2019.

- a. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved by Danny Callaghan.

7. Matters arising not listed below.

a. Braes School Prize

- i. The C.C. and the Braes High School had initially agreed that the former would sponsor two awards at the school, namely a senior award and a junior award for service to the school and the community. However after further discussions it was agreed by both parties that there would be one junior award. The most appropriate award has yet to be agreed.

Action: DC to speak to Iain Livingstone

b. Defibulator

- i. Discussion took place regarding the siting of a Defibulator and it was agreed this would be outside the community hall. There was an outstanding action regarding the exact positioning of the Defibulator which was carried forward to the May meeting. A member of the public Mr. David Avery indicated that he would be happy to provide assistance with regards to training key users of the community hall.

8. Planning

a. Persimmon request for a withdrawal of financial support. P/19/0120/75M.

- i. **This item was not discussed at the meeting but was carried over to the next meeting due to an outstanding action.** It was noted that Persimmon were looking for a modification to the planning application P/16/0525/Full, associated with housing in Maddiston that would remove the requirement to pay a financial contribution towards investment at St Mungo's High School. The community council felt that the basis for this withdrawal could be associated with a previous application at Hillcrest, Reddingmuirhead whereby Persimmon was not asked to provide a financial contribution. **It was agreed Paul would write to the council seeking clarification.**

b. Taylor Wimpey Proposal for 200 houses in Reddingmuirhead. P/19/0125/PPP.

- i. It was stated by the convenor that a total of 486 written objections had been received by the council as well as a petition with 757 signatures. Danny stated that the community council had submitted their letter of objection and a receipt had been received from Falkirk Council. An outline of the next stage was explained by Danny who commenced at the point of the Pre-Determination meeting which is scheduled for the 30th April at 19:00hrs in the Brae High School. Danny explained who the likely attendees would be and the process that would follow at the meeting. It was agreed that the community council would try and enlist the help of Alison Mitchell to discuss education issues associated with the planned development and also Wendy McPherson. A discussion then ensued regarding the most appropriate speakers to raise key issues on behalf of the community. During this discussion the role of the councillors on issues such as strategy and policy was raised by a member of the public (Colin Heggie) who also offered to

Speak at the Pre-Determination meeting. Danny agreed that he would also speak on behalf of the C.C. at the meeting. He also suggested that it would be prudent to have 6 or 7 members of the community to speak at the meeting and would post a comment on the RWCC Facebook page. Danny suggested asking Bill Warner to discuss drainage and Bob Moodie (Fairhaven Terrace) offered to speak. It was agreed Danny would endeavour to book the community hall for a small meeting to select appropriate speakers.

Action Danny Callaghan

- ii. **Addendum:** At the time of preparing these minutes it was confirmed by Danny that a meeting was arranged for Thursday 25th April in the community hall at 7pm.

- c. **Other Planning Matters.** Nothing to report.

9. Roads:

- a. It was noted that 4 traffic counters had been installed on the Shieldhill Road x2, the road to the north of Epworth Gardens and adjacent to the Canalside Inn. Danny stated that he would write to Falkirk Council Traffic Dept. seeking information regarding survey data and use of this data. **Action Danny Callaghan.**

10. Convenor's Report:

- a. There was a secondary issue raised with regards to the amount of litter that is strewn around the canal tow path in the close proximity to Tesco's supermarket. An e-mail was sent by IDS to the Community Safety Team at Falkirk council seeking a joint meeting between the school, Tesco and the Council. Confirmation of a meeting has not been received as yet. It was noted the Mr Tommy Thomson of Scottish Canals had indicated to Danny that he had proposed a second bin in talks with Falkirk Council.

11. Vice Convenor's Report.

- a. Nothing to report.

12. Secretary's Report.

- a. With regards to Facebook a proposal to close down the RWCC Facebook page due to security issues and non-residents of the area having access to the page was raised. A total of 390 members are listed on the RWCC Facebook page and there are members from far afield as Liverpool, Ayrshire and West Lothian. Following discussion it was agreed the most appropriate action would be to remove all personnel listed on FB who are not residents of Reddingmuirhead and Wallacestone

Action Kate Connochie

13. Treasurer's Report.

- a. Nothing to report due to holidays.

14. Any other Business.

a. None.

15. **Date of next meeting** will be Tuesday 14th May 2019 and will be held in the Community Hall.

16. Meeting closed at 20:30 hrs

Minutes prepared by: *Ian Shotliff*

12th April, 2019