



<b>MEETING OF</b>	Broom, Kirkhill, & Mearnskirk, Community Council	
<b>HELD ON</b>	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 @ 7pm in Mearns Castle High School	
<b>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION</b>	The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
<b>RECORDING OF MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<p>An attendance sheet was circulated.</p> <p>In attendance: Will Maxwell (Chairperson), Doug Pitt (Vice Chairperson) Jane Royston (Treasurer), Janet Olverman (Secretary), Ron Gimby</p> <p>Also in attendance:</p> <p>Cllr Caroline Bamforth</p> <p>Cllr Jim Swift</p>	
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Bev Brown, Rob Jones, Cllr Barbara Grant	
<b>ITEM DISCUSSED</b>		<b>Action Points</b>
<b>MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING: MATTERS ARISING</b>	<p><b>Minute of the Meeting 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019</b></p> <p><b>Overview of Council Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> December 2018</b></p> <p>The Minute should be amended to show more clearly that the comments made by the Community Council were made at the BK&amp;MCC meeting and not at the ER Council meeting.</p> <p><b>Armed Forces Day</b></p> <p>The Minute should be amended to reflect that this Motion was NOT carried. It was pointed out that the flag raising ceremony has continued at the Council offices, and ERC and Renfrewshire Council jointly employ a support worker to support armed forces personnel year round and this was considered more supportive than the fun day aspect of Armed Forces day. The Armed Forces agree with this. The fun day will not be reinstated.</p> <p>Janet to modify the Minute to reflect these comments and distribute to CC members for approval at our next meeting in March.</p> <p><b>Blasting at Maidenhill</b></p> <p>Ron Gimby has drafted a response to an email received from the Environmental Health Officer.</p> <p>The Chairperson read out the response which was discussed.</p> <p>According to the Health and Safety Executive the Local Authority are responsible for notifying residents.</p> <p>It is the BK&amp;MCC's opinion that residents should be notified even if an exact time cannot be advised.</p>	



	<p>It was felt that it is not unreasonable to expect ERC and the developer to notify residents.</p> <p>Janet Olverman to respond to Richard Mowatt on behalf of the Community Council.</p> <p><b>Invitation to David McClure, Taylor Wimpey</b></p> <p>The Chairperson issued an invitation to David McClure of Taylor Wimpey to attend the next BK&amp;MCC meeting.</p> <p>David McClure advised he is not available. The Chairperson enquired if there was someone else who would be more appropriate and responsible for the whole Maidenhill site and is awaiting a response.</p>	
<b>POLICE REPORT</b>	<p>Unfortunately, due to the unforeseen absence of PC Michael Morgenthaler, there was no Police Report available.</p> <p>Cllr Bamforth has asked PC Jacqueline Peetrie for a copy of the report which she will forward to the CC when received.</p>	<p>Cllr Bamforth to forward to Janet</p>
<b>PREPARATION FOR FUNDRAISER CEILIDH</b>	<p>Jane Royston provided an update.</p> <p>Current bank balance is £722.68</p> <p>We have so far only sold 25 tickets.</p> <p>The Invoice for the band should be paid on the 16<sup>th</sup> February and the Community Council gave their approval to pay this invoice.</p> <p>We need to sell another 43 tickets to break even.</p> <p>This event has been advertised in the Extra, Community Magazine, at the Avenue, on Facebook and posters are up everywhere.</p> <p>Janet to email Shawwood Greenspace and Save Broom Park Facebook to try and gain support from these Community Groups.</p> <p>Some fabulous Auction prizes have been secured including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Free Annual Social membership of Whitecraigs Tennis Club</li><li>• 4 ball at Bonnington golf club.</li><li>• Voucher David Lloyd Centre Rouken Glen – family membership for 14 days.</li><li>• Flower vouchers from Freddie's Flowers who deliver flowers in season 5 x £25 vouchers</li></ul>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASDA – a pamper hamper.</li> <li>• Dominos pizza voucher</li> <li>• British Gas Hive heating controls.</li> </ul> <p>Other possibilities: The driving range Rangers FC Bellahouston Ski Centre</p> <p><b>Tickets</b> Are now available and all CC members were asked to make an effort to sell tickets to friends and neighbours and also assist with advertising the event with flyers etc.</p> <p>We are also looking for raffle prizes.</p> <p>Tickets are available to purchase by contacting: <a href="mailto:bkandmcc@gmail.com">bkandmcc@gmail.com</a> or call/text 07789482343</p> <p>It was suggested to hand out leaflets at ASDA and try to sell tickets.</p> <p>Will and Doug offered to help hand out flyers.</p>	
<p><b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS UPDATE</b></p>	<p>The Chairperson reported upon Planning Applications Committee meeting Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 2019</p> <p><b>Planning Ref 2017/0213/TP and 2018/0643/TP</b> Turnberry Investments had applied to build 6 apartments on the site adjacent to Mearns Medical Centre with access from Maple Avenue. Recommendation was to refuse this application.</p> <p><b>Planning application 2018/0643/TP - Fruin Avenue</b> An application to demolish the existing house and build 5 detached houses. This was approved subject to conditions that the applicant: 1) Pay a commuted sum for the affordable house contribution 2) Pay a development contribution for education and community facilities.</p>	
<p><b>SUBMISSION OF COMPLAINT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY EXECUTIVE</b></p>	<p>The Chairperson had submitted an enquiry to the Health and Safety Executive about the blasting at Maidenhill and received a response advising that there is no legal requirement for the developers to inform residents of the planned explosions, however it is the Local Authority (ERC) who have the responsibility to enforce these issues.</p>	
<p><b>COMPLETION OF CONSULTATION ABOUT</b></p>	<p>The Chairperson asked CC members to submit their own consultation document about fireworks. Closing date 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019</p>	



<p><b>FIREWORKS</b></p>	<p><a href="https://consult.gov.scot/safer-communities/fireworks/">https://consult.gov.scot/safer-communities/fireworks/</a></p>	
<p><b>COMMUNITY COUNCIL LITTER PICK – BROOM AND SHAWWOOD</b></p>	<p>There has been a significant increase in litter accumulating in Broom Park, behind the Mearns Castle High School and the BK&amp;MCC offered to organise a litter pick to address this issue.</p> <p>The suggested date Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 12-1pm. Janet to contact the Broom Park Facebook page to ask for volunteers.</p> <p>Cllr Swift offered to arrange pickers, gloves and bags from the Council.</p> <p>Janet to contact Shawwood Greenspace and enquire if they would also like us to organise a litter pick for their area.</p> <p>Cllr Swift advised that Mearns Castle ECO committee and school janitors are going to pick up some litter.</p> <p>Comment was made about ERC's decision to replace metal bins with plastic bins, which are being set on fire.</p> <p>Jane Royston enquired if the rubbish accumulating by the fence on the land on the way to Greenbank Gardens could be cleared.</p> <p>Cllr Swift offered to contact Cllr Stewart who is the contact for that area.</p> <p>Another area with litter problem is the bottom of Roddinghead Road.</p> <p>Cllr Swift again offered to contact the relevant person at ERC.</p>	<p>Janet to contact Broom Park via facebook</p>
<p><b>STRATHCLYDE REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY (RTS)</b></p>	<p>A consultation had been forwarded to all CC members.</p> <p>The Chairperson has already submitted his comments about the abysmal bus service.</p> <p>The Chairperson encouraged everyone to respond in the hope that the service can be improved. Deadline Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	
<p><b>COMMUNITY LIAISON WORKSHOPS – THE SCHOOL RUN</b></p>	<p>Rob Jones offered to attend the 6pm workshop on 21<sup>st</sup> February.</p> <p>The BK&amp;MCC expressed concern about safety of children walking to school.</p> <p>Enquiry was made if anything could be done about the hedge overgrowing the pavement on Waterfoot Road on</p>	



	<p>the pedestrian route to Mearns Castle High School. This narrows the pavement so that children end up walking in the road.</p> <p>Broom Road East is a particularly busy road with speed restrictions that are frequently ignored by drivers. Although there are some pedestrian barriers this frequently exposes school children to considerable risk at the beginning and end of the school day and at lunch times when many children patronise the Co-op store in Broom Road East.</p> <p>Also the width of the pavement in Mearns Road, opposite the derelict Chinese restaurant is very narrow and overgrowing shrubbery makes this worse. Children from Mearnskirk use this route to walk to Mearns Castle.</p> <p>Cllr Swift explained there are procedures to follow before the Council can force a resident to cut back a hedge. Several warnings have to be issued before ERC can do anything about this.</p> <p>In order to encourage more children to walk to school, the pavements and road crossings have to be safe. The BK&amp;MCC offered to write a letter on behalf of local residents.</p> <p>Cllr Swift offered to investigate the poor sight lines at the junction of Firwood Road and Mearns Road, caused by a large hedge.</p>	
<b>QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR</b>	<p><b>Save Crookfur Park</b></p> <p>The Chairperson advised the CC about an approach by Save Crookfur Park to write complaints to all Councillors on the Planning Committee about the building of a new nursery and additional car parking spaces on the site of the Crookfur Pavilion. However, it was noted that planning permission has already been approved for this development and building was going to commence shortly so unfortunately complaining would not achieve anything at this late stage.</p> <p>It was noted that this development would include extra space for changing rooms for the football pitches and there will be a community facility for clubs etc.</p>	
<b>AOCB</b>	<p>Jane Royston informed the CC about the Market place at the Avenue. The ladies who run this would like a copy of the agenda for our next meeting and a copy of the Minute for their notice board. It was agreed to supply the Market Place with copies of the above in future.</p>	



	<p><b>Ideas for attracting a wider audience.</b> Invite interesting speakers to our meetings for example someone from the Mearns History Society. Ask First Responders to give a CPR demonstration. Greater use of Social Media would inform a wider audience of the Community Council activities.</p> <p><b>Local Development Plan</b> There is no date yet for publication of the updated LDP</p>	
<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 7pm in the Conference Suite at Mearns Castle High School.	

With there being no further business the Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting

**FUTURE MEETING DATES:**

All at 7pm in Mearns Castle High School Conference Centre unless indicated otherwise

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 AGM

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019

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