

## Minutes of Neilston Community Council 30<sup>th</sup> October in the Glen Halls, Neilston at 7pm.

**Present**, : R Mould, J Scott, R Junner, J Sheriff, J Connery, A Walker, S Crabbe, V Wood, E Mould, Cllr Gilbert, , PC Nicol, Sgt Boyle (Police Scotland)

Colin McLeish

**Apologies:** M Pettigrew, Cllr Buchanan, Cllr O’Kane

### 1. Police Report

Police report attached:  
Summarised below

#### ***Violent Crime***

No incidents of violent crime reported

#### ***Housebreakings and other thefts***

No housebreakings reported

Theft from a garden storage shed in Madras Place

#### ***Antisocial behaviour***

16 year old male purchased alcohol.

#### ***Drug Dealing & misuse***

23 year old man in possession of a quantity of cannabis – intent to supply

17 year old man in possession of cannabis

### 3. Locality Planning

There is to be a meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> October to outline the funding and procedure for participatory budgeting (PBO in Neilston, where allegedly ERC are providing £25K for local projects in Neilston.

## 4. Community Council Issues

### Roads

The issue of the condition of the roads in Neilston was discussed after the last meeting and the follow up in the Barrhead News.

Clearly there are some roads in need of repair.

ERC Roads Dept. have a document that defines the criterion for repairs and the status depending on engineering and road category definition.

In spite of the statement by ERC spokesperson to the contrary, the potholes outside the Travellers Rest require urgent action by their own definition, whereas the area they repaired in Neilston after the BH article perhaps did not warrant the “urgent engineering” attention given.

### Madras Place Play area/ Kingston Park Outdoor Gym

Surveys complete and submitted , still awaiting discussion with ERC regarding the CCTV and lighting in Kingston park.

### Pig Square

The tree in Kirkstyle Lane/Pig Square, entered into the Woodland Trust competition has not made the final selection

There is an issue with the tree in the library car park which needs ERC attention.

### Skate Park

We now believe there is to be further consideration of the skate park by ERC perhaps based around the ERREF.

The actual cost is unclear since it is not known if the youth shelter and lighting was involved.

We believe the submitted total cost was around £90K with £56K requested from WREN.

We understand that the 2<sup>nd</sup> application costs had increased.

There was around £34K as matched funding from others with around £30K from ERC.

*These figures are “guesstimates” and should be treated as such*

Perhaps we need an open letter to get this issue and others clarified and see what action we require.

**Crossing – Main St**

Still no action nor update on signage.

**6. Planning****On Line Representations in Planning**

No update.

**Kirkton Rd**

No application made yet by developer.

The site is in the SHIP so there was obviously been some detailed discussion with the developer and ERC

**Joint Campus**

Report submitted to Education Committee in Oct, however it omits any consideration of other sites.

NDT Board has decided to ask Architecture & Design Scotland (ADS) look at options and other sites in Neilston including Kirkton Rd and Kingston Park.

It was stated there was plenty of room in Kingston Park and the plans included a football park and a MUGA.

It was further stated that the PTA choice was Kingston Park.  
There was some discussion round this subject.

**Main St car park – Killoch**

There are still some outstanding issues with the car park which were going to be resolved by ERC.

**Car Park behind shops**

Shopkeepers have written to ERC requesting meeting regarding area in FRONT of shops being returned to the public realm.

The turning head has been completed by ERC in this area.

## **9. Sports Hub Engagement**

No update – no recent meetings.

## **10. Charter Advisory Group**

The approved CAG notes attached.  
See Joint Campus above

## **10. Minutes**

The minutes having been circulated were proposed by R Junner and seconded by J Connery and approved.

## **11. Finance**

The bank balances are as follows

TSB – £1025.70  
BS – £1316.28

## **12. A.O.C.B**

J S indicated that he felt the spend undertaken by the Community Council should be reimbursed by ERC rather than taken from the general grant.  
it was agreed that we would approach ERC on this matter

Given the item above in relation to the skate park and the issues raised last month regarding ERC funding on the Eastwood vs Lavern Valley spending on roads.

There was a discussion on the relative spend in the public realm in Neilston by ERC.

It was suggested that an open letter be sent to Councillors detailing our concern.

**The next meeting is Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm in the Glen Halls.**