

# Crookfur, Greenfarm, Mearns Village & Westacres Community Council

Wed 6 December 2023, Albertslund Hall at 7.00 p.m.

## MINUTES

1. Welcome & apologies **Action**  
Present: M Whyte, K Mirza & M Asif. Also Laurence Mannion (member of public)  
Apologies: P Edlin
2. Previous Minutes for November meeting accepted
3. Matters still outstanding from previous minutes
- a. Contact details for ER Paths Officer. A Reid 3a
- b. CC minutes uploaded onto ER website (Sept, Oct & Nov ) A Reid 3b
4. Police Report - received by email nothing new of significance
5. Appointment of Secretary - remains vacant.  
M Whyte: November & December Minutes MW 5  
M Asif December Agenda
6. Sub committee reports
- a. Planning - no issues from J Kerrigan
- b. Green spaces - MW attended Creating Climate Resilient Communities Conference & reported back.(for report see appendix below) Also see item 8 below.
- c. Public concern - not present
7. Correspondence
- a. MA has passed Participatory Budget information onto Iltaf Dean, since last meeting.
- b. Member of public residing in Mearns Village was contacted by MA and online attendance option offerer & declined for December meeting. Also informed that change of venue to Fairweather Hall was being investigated by KM (also to contact AReid) KM/AR 7b  
Venue will be confirmed in December minutes.
8. Mature tree felling application (Hunter Drive): Planning Application ref 2023/0592/TP. MW was pleased to report that the objection had been supported by Councillor Edlin and also the objection had been upheld by ER and trees saved.
9. AOCB  
Due to CC member absence, items a,b & c below pending for next meeting.
- a. Environmental health ( Bins at the back of Avenues shops)
- b. 15 minutes cities - see appendix below
- c. Mission, objectives and work plan for our Community Council.
- d Icy Pavements ER 9d e  
Attendees noted lack of gritting on pavements, which is particularly treacherous on local steep roads like Barrhead Rd & Hunter Drive. This often results on people walking on the roads. Councillors
- e Health & Safety concerns raised about use of tractor to roughly cut vegetation on Westacres Road.
- 10 . **NEW DAY/DATES** for NEXT MEETINGS: **Tues 13 February 2024, Albertslund Hall**  
*NOTE: To avoid CGMVW CC meetings clashing with Councillor meetings, CC meeting date has been change to **second Tuesday of month**. To facilitate wider attendance other venues were investigated but there was no availability.* ALL

**CIRCULATION:** Community Council Members; Police Scotland; ERC Councillors (Wards 2 & 5); MP / MSPs Andrew Reid (ER Liaison Officer) William Maxwell (BKM CC)

## **Climate Resilience Conference Report by Moira Whyte October 2023**

Climate resilience involves:

1. Climate mitigation, which is reducing or preventing greenhouse gas emissions
2. Climate adaptation which is reducing vulnerability to the current and future impacts of climate change.

These can involve:

- Trees
- Public spaces
- Green streets
- Resilient accessible transport
- Space for nature
- In street rain gardens

NB. Trees are good for BOTH climate mitigation and adaptation.

Local Place Plans LPP

These are community led & about how land is to be used in the area eg tree planting / housing.

ER planning must take account of LPP.

LPP can link to participatory budgeting.

Community motivation & involvement can be increased using:

Participatory Photo Walkshops around local areas are good for generating community and useful questions.

Additional notes

- “Local living” better term than “20mins neighbourhoods” as latter now toxic due to conspiracy theories
- ER Climate change officer: [Samuel.ibbott@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk](mailto:Samuel.ibbott@eastrenfrewshire.gov.uk)