

Minutes of BCC Meeting of 29 January 2018

1. Welcome

The Chair, John Donald opened the meeting and welcomed all present. Thanked everyone for attending and explained that he would try to keep things as informal as possible and also to about an hour time.

2. Attendance

Present: John Donald, Chair
 Ian Whyte, Secretary
 Fiona Whyte, Treasurer
 Jennifer Smith, Member
 Gordon Hay, Member
 Gavin Lawson, Member
 Alison Lawson, Member
 Councillor Elaine Ballantyne
 Rachel Carmichael, Member
 PC Alistair Robertson Police Scotland (PS)
 John Mason, MSP

Apologies: Councillor Phillip Charles

3. Minutes and Matters arising:

Minutes from last meeting - have now all been uploaded to the Broomhouse Community Council Website.

4. Reports:

a) Police Scotland:

5 recorded crimes in December 2017:
One of which was a car theft

In January there was a theft from a van, various motoring offences and a couple of incidents of people trying doors in the area.

Police Scotland (PS) advised keeping doors locked, alarms on and please do not leave keys in doors or anywhere else they can be fished through the door.

PS also informed us that the annual Police plan is open for public comment on line.

A concern was raised by one of the residents regarding cars parking up on the pavements in the area which would be looked into. There was also a concern raised regarding people speeding in the area and the question was asked if there were any initiatives coming up. PS to monitor position over next few weeks/months.

b) Elected Members:

Cllr Ballantyne informed the meeting that there had been a recent meeting with the BC hall committee regarding the trees in the park, also there was some discussion around car parking and cars speeding passed the hall.

The subject was raised from the floor with regards to the number of Lorries going up Baillieston Road.

Subject of Dog Fouling in the cut through to Lusshill Terrace was also raised. Councillor Ballantyne told the meeting that she would discuss the matter with the Council factors

J Mason, MSP gave an overview of the current bills going through the Scottish Parliament.

5. Treasurer's Report

Informed the meeting that there had been little expenditure in the month. The annual admin grant had been received, which amounted to £453. The BCC had £1,308 in Bank.

6. Any other Business

(a) Closure of the Baillieston Road Railway Bridge

Owen Campbell, Network Rail

Informed the meeting that the recent 4 week closure of the bridge had achieved what had been planned. The bridge would be closed from the 12th of February 2018 for 7 months. Demolition of the existing bridge would take place weekend of the 10th March - Followed by a further 2 weekend of erecting the main structure for the new bridge. During those 3 weekends no trains would be running and there would be overnight works taking place. There was also a possibility of some short term outages, but that residents in the area would be informed in the normal way should such an occurrence be scheduled.

During this 7 month period there would be a foot bridge open next to the bridge. The new bridge would be 2 lanes, with cycle paths and also compliant footpaths.

Planned date of the new bridge opening is 15th August 2018

This unfortunately means that the 310 service would not be running over the next 7 months and network rail would not fund keeping the bus running for Broomhouse residents. It was not something that they would fund and no other utility company has been asked to do such a thing.

Councillor Ballantyne informed the meeting that she and the BCC Secretary had recently met with the Chair of SPT and one of their project managers. This had been productive meeting. She had also had some discussions with Morrisons and also the Shettleston Community Transport hub.

The outcome of these meetings were the SPT were willing to provide some funding for a reduced service and that companies such as Morrisons up in Baillieston would perhaps be willing also help.

There then followed a discussion with all present re possible options open to the community. Agreement was reached that what was wanted was a service of some sort even just a couple of times per day that could get the residents up to Baillieston for their shopping, Doctor/Nurse appointments etc. If that could be achieved then that would something and people would work around the reduced timetable

7. The chair then closed the meeting. Thanks were offered to Owen Campbell from Network Rail for attending and all the local residents for attending.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm

Next Meeting Monday 26th March 2018
At 7.30pm in the Broomhouse Community Hall
All Welcome, tea coffee and biscuits will be provided