

THE BLACKET ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING on 10 May 2017 at 50A Blacket Place

Present : Ian Chisholm (IC); Stan Bird (SB); Becky Colegrave (BC); Fiona Courtney(FC); Arlene Doherty (AD); Eric Thomson (ET); Phil Cullis (PC).

Apologies: Hugh Mackay (HMck); Pauline Platt (PP); Richard Scothorne (RS);

1.MINUTES : Minutes of 22 March 2017 were approved.

2. OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS

Mainly cleared, some ongoing see listing of open Actions at end of minutes.

3. COMMITTEE ARRANGEMENTS

The Committee noted that Phil Cullis had volunteered to act as Social Coordinator and agreed that he should be co-opted to the Committee pending formal election at the 2017 AGM. Phil (PC) was welcomed to the meeting.

4.PLANNING

No items noted.

5.CYCLING ROUTE CONSULTATION

Public consultation expected in March has not yet taken place. This will be noted in the Newsletter.

6.GRANGE/PRESTONFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL (GPCC)

IC reported on the last meeting. Police Scotland attended and reported on reductions in burglaries & crime. IC noted the Police were unable to provide statistics on cybercrime.

7.NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH – No major issues noted

8.BLACKET AVENUE WORKING PARTY – No report.

9.TREASURER'S REPORT - Few transactions in the period.

10.NEW RESIDENTS – None noted.

11.SOCIAL EVENTS:

a/Priestfield Tennis Club Open Day: Notice was sent out to residents. Not known how many attended.

b/Dog Walk: IC reported that approx 10 people attended, not all dog owners, and an enjoyable time was had by all.

c/Open Gardens: Agreed preferred date 16 June. Potential for Plant sale discussed.

Action May17.01: Tennis: SB to follow up turnout with Priestfield Tennis Club

Action May17.02: Follow up further potential gardens and confirm dates

Action May17.03: Open Gardens preparation

12. WEBSITE

ET has registered the site blacket.scot and proposes to migrate the website to it. He noted that the current website does not work well across all platforms. ET suggested a Blacket Facebook page and the Committee agreed this would be a positive additional means of communication.

Membership list ownership and change control discussed; agreed to ensure that edit control should be limited to ET, PP and BC.

Action May17.04: Website: Further investigation of proposals

13. NEWSLETTER

A draft of the next Newsletter was discussed and approved for circulation.

Action May17.05: Newsletter to be finalised and circulated .

14. AOB

Minto: AD noted that surveyors for the developer had been inspecting the boundary walls, and there are concerns that the walls will be demolished or damaged by the demolition of adjacent buildings on the Minto site. AD will take up with affected residents.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Committee: Wednesday 30 August 2017 7.30

4 Dryden Place

AGM: 12 October 2017 (Provisional)

SUMMARY of OPEN ACTIONS :

REF	ACTION	RESP
Nov16.05/ Jan17.03	Target nonpayers on email list with specific addressed emails	BC/IC/PP 5/17 Ongoing -list to PP & IC for emailing
Nov16.06	Local Neighbourhood watch coordinators to check lists (c/f)	IC 5/17 In hand ongoing
Nov16.10	Painted signs: Follow up with quotes from painters known to the Committee.	RS, HD 5/17 Quote requested from painter
Jan17.02	Investigate ownership of 23b Minto St and liaise with concerned residents/council.	RS/HMcK 5/17 Ongoing C/f RS
Jan17.04	Committee members to email AD with details of new residents for followup.	All 5/17 Ongoing
Mar17.02	Planning objection to Royal High School development to be drafted & submitted.	RS 5/17 C/F
Mar17.04	Approach neighbouring householders re replacement trees.	HMcK 5/17 C/F
Mar17.05	Bowling: reply to Parkside invitation	PP 5/17 – Check with PP
May17.01	Tennis: SB to follow up turnout with Priestfield Tennis Club	SB
May17.02	Follow up potential gardens and agree dates	FS
May17.03	Open Gardens preparation: -organise refreshments BC, PC -confirm location & date for party FC -potential for plant sale -organise stewarding IC -follow up Dryden Place front gardens	All
May17.04	Website: Further investigation of proposals	ET
May17.05	Newsletter to be finalised and circulated .	IC

SUMMARY of CLOSED ACTIONS :

REF	ACTION	RESP
Nov16.02	<i>New NW coordinator - discuss with Neighbourhood Watch local coordinators</i>	IC 5/17 Done: SB
Nov16.07	<i>Follow up new residents</i>	AD
Jan17.01	<i>Approach potential Social Coordinators to join the Committee</i>	HMCK/All
Jan17.05	<i>Check BA constitution for any limitations on AGM dates</i>	IC Done – “in or about October”
Mar17.01	<i>Approach potential Social Coordinator to join the Committee.</i>	HMCK 5/17 Done PC joined
Mar17.03	<i>Formulate a tree strategy and consider the ability of the Association to fund it.</i>	All 5/17 IC & Ian McLeish, draft in Newsletter
Mar17.06	<i>Tennis: Follow up potential with Priestfield Tennis Club</i>	SB Done
Mar17.07	<i>Follow up potential gardens and agree dates</i>	All
Mar17.09	<i>Draft newsletter to be circulated .</i>	IC 5/17 Done
Mar17.08	<i>Website: Costing of new website arrangements</i>	ET