

THE BLACKET ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING on 14 May 2019 at 52 Blacket Place

Present : Ian Chisholm (IC); Stan Bird (SB); Fiona Courtney (FC); Anne Henderson (AH) (HMCK); Pauline Platt (PP);

Apologies: Arlene Doherty (AD); Richard Scothorne (RS), Hugh McKay (HMVK), Mhoraig Blair (MB).

1.MINUTES : Minutes of 18 March 2019 were approved.

2. OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS : some ongoing see listing of open Actions at end of minutes

3. COMMITTEE ARRANGEMENTS

MB has joined the Committee as Website Coordinator. The post of Social Convenor is currently vacant and volunteers are sought.

Action Jan19.01 – Follow up with interested residents re Committee

4.PLANNING Nothing significant to report.

5.GRANGE/PRESTONFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL (GPCC) – IC reported on recent meetings, concern over relative lack of power and dependence on key volunteers. Major area planning issues are the redevelopment of the Royal Blind School and the Astley Ainslie site.

6.NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH – No major issues reported.

7.BLACKET AVENUE WORKING PARTY – C/F in HM's absence.

8.TREASURER'S REPORT - AH reported on the position to date. She has taken over the online banking and got the records up to date. The complexity of reconciling standing order contributions with the database was discussed; agreed that this is impractical given the large number of small receipts, and the emphasis should be on encouraging all residents to sign up to the £5 contribution. AH also reported on Christmas card sales and stocks.

9.SOCIAL EVENTS:

a/ Open Gardens to be held on Friday 21 June. Still short of gardens.

May 19.01 Planning for open gardens

10. COMMUNICATIONS

MB has taken over website, is meeting J Kruuk who set it up.

11. AOB

Simon White noted the 50th anniversary of the Association in its current form is coming up. To be discussed.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Committee: Tuesday 10 September 7.30