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<p>being unable to attend the last meeting and those had been duly noted in the minutes, his name had also inadvertently been included in the sederunt as being present.</p> <p>Moreover, on page 7 – re Grit Bin at Millstream Court – on the first line, the word “grin” should be substituted by “grit.”</p> <p>Subject to incorporation of the foregoing amendments, the minutes of the previous meeting were proposed as an accurate record by Gaynor Corry, and this was seconded by John Bell and were duly approved without dissent.</p>	<p>Approved subject to amendment</p>
<p><b>4. Business arising from Minutes of Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2021.</b></p> <p>In relation to matters arising and his subsequent report, the Secretary referred members the papers that had been circulated electronically in advance of the meeting.</p> <p><b><i>Governance issues surrounding proposal to explore the formulation of a Renfrewshire Wide Strategy on HGV Movements</i></b></p> <p>The Secretary referred members to the copy correspondence that had passed between himself and the Council Leader, Councillor Nicolson, regarding this issue.</p> <p>The Secretary confirmed that he had responded in the following terms to the email of 10<sup>th</sup> February from Cllr Nicolson in which he had set out a response received from an unnamed Council officer.</p> <p><i>“The general consensus among our members was that the officers’ response here is wholly inadequate.....</i></p> <p><i>.....To put this down merely to lack of communication is nothing less than obfuscation as it seems clear that there was nothing substantive to be communicated.</i></p> <p><i>Once again, we would afford the current Directorate an opportunity to acknowledge that Council’s decision of 23rd April 2012 was not followed through to any satisfactory extent.”</i></p> <p>Subsequent to that, Cllr Nicolson had responded on 27<sup>th</sup> February to say:</p> <p><i>“I understand that you were not able to attend last community council meeting that officers attended. I have spoken with Gordon McNeil and he has indicated that he will contact you to discuss issues that you have.”</i></p> <p>The Secretary recapped on his response of even date to Cllr Nicolson. Members agreed that it had not been appropriate to raise this with the officers when they attended the Virtual Meeting as they had only seen the unattributed response less than two hours before the start of the meeting, so had not yet had an opportunity to discuss its terms.</p> <p>Members also acknowledged that if the Director had raised the governance issue while he was present at the at the meeting then a discussion could still have taken place even if the Secretary had not been present.</p> <p>Should the Director wish to address members regarding the governance issue, then he is welcome to attend a future meeting by arrangement with the Secretary.</p> <p>During the ensuing discussion, members were reminded that some considerable</p>	<p>Continued pending a response to the Secretary’s email to Cllr Nicolson of 27<sup>th</sup> February.</p>

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time ago a senior officer in the Roads Division, the then Head of Service, had said to a member of the Community Council that they would continue to “.... kick the issue (of HGV movements) into the long grass” and that the Community Council would get fed up with this before they (the department) do.

The consensus among members was that current Directorate appear to be adopting a similar strategy in relation to the governance issue.

Cllr Sharkey suggested that if a satisfactory response is not received then he would be willing to raise this at a further meeting of full Council.

Cllr McNaughton suggested that was perhaps not the best way forward, and suggested it would be more appropriate for him to raise this again with the Council Leader, Cllr Nicolson.

Following conclusion of the discussion it was agreed to continue the matter pending a response to the Secretary’s email of 27<sup>th</sup> February.

## ***Unadopted Footways around Kingsburgh Drive and around the Arkleston area***

In response to a question raised, the Secretary confirmed that there had been no feedback on this issue from Gerry Hannah following the discussion that took place when he and the Director had attended the February meeting.

A brief discussion took place during which Cllr Sharkey reported that the condition of the unadopted footways in Kingsburgh Drive has been a longstanding issue.

He went on to cite a particular instance in which a constituent had made an effort to have his section of the unadopted footway brought up to a reasonable standard, only to be told by the Council that on order to consider adoption they would have to test the quality of its construction by drilling into it.

Cllr Sharkey expressed the hope that the Department would adopt a sensible, pragmatic approach to this issue rather than a strict legalistic one.

During the ensuing discussion, it was also pointed out by John Bell that in Avondale Drive, while the footways are unadopted, the residents have tried to maintain those in a reasonable state of repair. However, this is particularly difficult due to degradation caused by vehicles parking on the footways near the shops while visiting the businesses in that vicinity.

The Secretary confirmed that he would report back to members on any response received regarding this issue.

## ***Liquor - Provisional Premises Licence - Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005- - The Ladyburn Cafe, 53 Kilinside Road.***

Members were referred to copy of objection lodged as agreed at the previous meeting. That has since been acknowledged by the Licensing Section. A further update regarding the application will follow in due course once that is due to be considered by members of the Licensing Board.

## ***Email from Claire Guthrie on behalf of Alasdair Morrison Head of Economy & Development Digital Transformation for Planning and Building Standards***

Email from Alasdair Morrison, Head of Economy & Development, Renfrewshire Council with an update regarding the proposed digital transformation program

Noted  
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feedback

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<p>for Renfrewshire Council's Planning and Building Standards application systems.</p> <p><b>Former Accord Hospice Shop at 77B Glasgow Road</b></p> <p>Further to the brief discussion that took place at the last meeting, the Secretary reported that refurbishment of the premises to form a new dog &amp; family friendly café, to be called Café 77, seems to be well underway. It seems that planning permission for this had been granted last summer.</p> <p>The Secretary apologised, explaining that he had not picked up on this from the Planning Applications current at the time. However, he went on to express the view that it was probably better to have the vacant premises usefully occupied rather than lie empty.</p> <p>However, in response, concern was expressed about what would happen to the numerous eateries situated along Glasgow Road if/once Paisley Grammar School, a major source of custom, relocates out of the area.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>5. Secretary's Report</b></p> <p><b>Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005</b>  <b>Wm Morrison Supermarkets PLC Anchor Mill, Paisley PA1 1GZ</b>  <b>Variation (Major) of existing Premises Licence</b>  <b>Application for variation of existing Premises Licence</b></p> <p>The applicant seeks a variation of the information contained within Section 5F of the existing operating plan.</p> <p>This is to be amended to include the following: - a home delivery shopping service and a Click &amp; Collect Service may be operated from the store.</p> <p><b>Email from Planning Aid Scotland [PAS] forwarded from Renfrewshire Council Community Council Mailbox</b>  <b>The Circular Economy &amp; the Planning System - Free events for Community Councils in Scotland - 24th, 25th 27th February and 6th March</b></p> <p>Email from David Wood, Manager, Planning &amp; Policy at PAS explaining that Zero Waste Scotland &amp; PAS are partnering to run a series of free events for Community Councils/Community Groups across Scotland</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Each event (run on Zoom) will provide an introduction to the Circular Economy as Scotland moves towards its zero-carbon target by 2045, and an overview of the Scottish planning system, current planning reforms and of National Planning Framework 4.</li> <li>• The planning system will play a key role in enabling Scotland to embrace the circular economy, reduce waste and achieve its zero carbon targets.</li> <li>• Please note – all 4 events will offer the same content with the aim of offering a range of attendance dates/options.</li> </ul> <p><b>E-mail from Anne McNaughton</b>  <b>Scottish Community Council Winter Newsletter</b></p> <p>Forwarded email from the Improvement Service with a copy of the Scottish Community Council Winter Newsletter. This contains details of training courses that are free and specifically designed for CC members.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>

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<p><b><i>E-mail from Anne McNaughton Strategic Transport Projects Review 2 (STPR2)</i></b></p> <p>Forwarded email from the Improvement Service regarding the Scottish Government seeking feedback on the Strategic Transport Projects Review 2 (STPR2)</p> <p>On 3 February 2021, the Scottish Government's STPR2 Team published the STPR2: Update and Phase 1 Recommendations report along with the associated impact assessment reports, which can be accessed <a href="#">HERE</a>. These are the first STPR2 recommendations for transport investment. These recommendations focus on transport projects or interventions that significantly contribute to STPR2 objectives, align well with NTS2 priorities, and can be progressed or delivered within the current spending period and will help support a green recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>Alongside this, they published an updated National Case for Change which contains the options that will be taken forward for further appraisal in Phase 2 of STPR2 as well as an Appendix on COVID-19. Updated Case for Change reports have also been published for STPR2 regions. These reports can be accessed <a href="#">HERE</a>.</p> <p>They are now inviting feedback on the STPR2 Update and Phase 1 Recommendation Report and the STPR2 options and COVID -19 scenarios. Linked comment forms are provided on the Transport Scotland STPR2 webpages. The comment forms will be available until midnight on 31 March and can be accessed <a href="#">HERE</a>.</p> <p>The Transport Scotland website pages have also been updated to include STPR2 frequently asked questions and a link to a new dedicated STPR2 Project Page, incorporating interactive Story Maps summarising the regional and national Case for Change reports.</p> <p><b><i>Councillor Iain Nicolson Leader of Renfrewshire Council Renfrewshire Council Budget 2021/2022</i></b></p> <p>Email from Cllr Nicolson circulated to Community Councils on 9<sup>th</sup> March summarising the highlights from the recent Renfrewshire Council Budget for 2021-2022.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
<p><b>6. Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>The Treasurer reported that following reimbursement in the sum of £100.61 due to Andrew Ramsay for provisioning the donation in kind to the Community Fridge and Cabinet at RSA Newsagents at 27B Moss Street, Paisley, the balance on the account at RBS now stands at £3953.55.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>7. Any other Business</b></p> <p><b><i>Abandoned Box Trailer in Clarence Street, Paisley</i></b></p> <p>It was pointed out that a small, apparently abandoned trailer has been sitting on the road towards the foot of Clarence Street for some months. People seem to be dumping rubbish/debris in that.</p> <p>The Secretary confirmed that he would ask the Wardens Service to look into that.</p>	<p>Secretary to draw this to the attention of the Wardens Service.</p>

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<p><b><i>Paisley Grammar School</i></b></p> <p>Christine McLelland (Paisley Grammar Parent Council) reported that following conclusion of the consultation with parents, pupils and wider stakeholders, the relocation of the School to the Renfrew Road site was approved at the January meeting of Renfrewshire Council's Education and Children's Services Policy Board.</p> <p>Christine also went on to outline the plans for a phased return of pupils aiming for a full return by 19<sup>th</sup> April, following the Easter break.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p><b>8. Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next meeting of the Community Council is due to take place on Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 7pm.</p>	