PAISLEY EAST & WHITEHAUGH COMMUNITY COUNCIL	
MINUTES of a meeting of Paisley East & Whitehaugh Community Council that was held at Sherwood-Greenlaw Church on Wednesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 7.00pm	08/05/2024
Present: Gaynor Corry; Margaret Cowie; Christine McLellan; Robert Moore; Andrew Ramsay; Jean Ramsay; Catherine Scally; Moira Treanor.	
Attending Nicola Green (Local Resident); Councillor John McNaughtan; (Renfrewshire Council); Alan Garrett and Brian McLaughlin (Renfrewshire Wardens Service)	
Apologies: William Burns; Thomas Higgins; Luke Humberstone; Kirsty Lowe; Diane Watt; Julia Watt; Councillors Graeme Clark and Neill Graham (Renfrewshire Council)	
Chair: Andrew Ramsay	
1. Chair's Welcome & Opening Comments	
The Chair welcomed all those present and thanked everyone for attending the May meeting.	
2. Renfrewshire Wardens Service	
In the absence of representatives from Police Scotland, the Chair invited the Wardens to address members.	
Alan Garrett and Brian McLaughlin, both of whom have attended Community Council meetings in the past went on to outline the issues that the Wardens had attended to over the period between 5 <sup>th</sup> April and 7 <sup>th</sup> May.	
Over that period some 41 additional Community Safety Patrols, both mobile and on foot, have been conducted around the area. A total of 49 patrols have been reported overall.	
The issues tackled had included:	
Stray Dog – 1 Dog Fouling – 2 Flytipping – 1 Abandoned Vehicle – 2 Youths Congregating – 1 Assisting the Public – 1	Noted
Following discussion of the points arising, the Wardens highlighted that there is a review ongoing into the operation of the Wardens Service. This has been underway for a number of months now. Concern has been expressed by members of staff that the outcome might be a service reduced to dayshift hours only and that the focus might be shifted from dealing with antisocial behaviour to to parking enforcement.	
Following discussion the Chair thanked the Wardens for their input	
[Alan Garrett and Brian McLaughlin left the meeting at this point]	Secretary to

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In light of the Wardens' comments, it was agreed that the Secretary should write to Renfrewshire Council to find out the current position regarding the review and express concern regarding the possible dilution of the service. It was also agreed to ask if the public will be consulted regarding any proposed changes.	contact Renfrewshire Council re proposed changes to coverage.
3. Minutes of Meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	or or ago.
The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed as an accurate record by Catherine Scally and having been duly seconded by Gaynor Corry were formally approved without dissent.	Approved
4. Business arising from Minutes of Meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	
Where appropriate, in relation to this and the subsequent item, members were referred to copy documents that had been circulated in advance of the meeting.	
Short-Term Letting Licences Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982	
Applicant: Carol-Anne Brown	
Flat 5/1 1 Abbey Place Paisley PA1 1AU	
At the Regulatory Functions Board meeting on 13th March this application was continue for further consideration and is now due to come before members of the board again on 22nd May	Noted
Whie we are invited to send a representative; it is not considered necessary to be present.	
Road Safety Issues	
Members were referred to a copy of email setting out some feedback received from Fiona Muir, the Council's Road Safety Officer, following the discussion that took place at the March meeting.	
In summary, the feedback to date is as follows:	
- I have contacted the area inspector regarding the flooding and speed table outside 53 Arkleston Road. I have requested an update regarding the recent reprofiling and the impact this had on the flooding for the property. I understand we are now coming into better weather. Nevertheless, I am keen to see what steps we can take to this from recurring.  - We had recently appointing a Flooding Officer however, this has had to go back to recruitment. We are awaiting an update on when this position will be filled. I will be sharing the above concerns with this officer once started to look at drainage etc.  - I spoke with my colleague regarding the signals on Arkleston Road. We are due to go out on a site visit this week. like to make sure that I have the correct signals	Noted pending further developments
<ul> <li>is the signals to Barshaw Park/ Arkleston Road/ Hawkhead Road?</li> <li>I have conducted a drive at the roundabouts meeting Endrick Drive. I will need to conduct a couple more site visits to take into account signage etc. Traffic was</li> </ul>	

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busy when I was there last week.	
While Fiona has indicated that she will not be available to come along to the May meeting, she hopes to come along next month.	
Formulation of Local Development Plan 3 (LDP3] and Local Place Plans	
Email forwarded by Julie Barron from Andrew Hannah in the Local Plan Consultation Team, in which he summarises points that have already been addressed in previous correspondence.	
However, on a separate but related aspect, following discussion at the last meeting, it was noted that Andrew, Moira, William and Christine have all expressed an interest in participating a sub-group looking at formulating a local place plan for the area.	Noted  Chair to convene
Following discussion it was agreed that the meetings should take place on a different night from the full Community Council meetings. The Chair advised that he and Mrs Ramsay would be happy to host these meetings in their home. He proposed that the initial meeting take place om 15 <sup>th</sup> May and he will email the individual members to confirm this.	meetings of sub- group.
Keegan & Pennykid Annual Insurance Renewal	Noted
Following approval of the renewal premium for the Community Council's insurance cover at the last meeting, that has since been paid so this will be reflected in the Treasurer's Report	
6.Secretary's Report	
Emailed letter from Margaret Cowie Intimation of intention to resign from Community Council	
Regrettably, Margaret has tendered her resignation from the Community Council due to other commitments. The Secretary has already responded on behalf of the Community Council wishing Margaret all the very best for the future. Members are of course welcome to contact Margaret directly to express their best wishes.	Noted
Email from Councillor Neill Graham Renfro Maps	
Cllr Graham has forwarded an email from Gerry Hannah, advising that the Roads Service have been reviewing what content there is publicly available on the road network. They have now developed a web map for viewing Adopted Roads in Renfrewshire, the site is now live and available through the link below:	Noted
https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/4d34eba6a6fb4bebbd9826981bd11b 21/	

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Applications For Short-Term Letting Licences	
Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982 - 33 Glasgow Road, Paisley	
An application has now been received by Renfrewshire Council in the name of David Atkinson in respect of subjects at 33 Glasgow Road, Paisley PA1 3PA.	
As a Community Council, we had agreed on 8th November to submit objections along standard lines in respect of a tranche of applications that had been submitted at that time.	Noted
Given that with the passage of time the applications submitted have been largely successful, it has become apparent that our grounds for objection carry no real weight, we need to determine if it is worthwhile submitting an objection to this application along the same lines or, if, as it seems, that is pointless.	
After discussion it as agreed not to submit the standard objection as a matter of course but that should not preclude us from reviewing our position in the future in light of circumstances surrounding the operations of other ongoing short term lets in and around the area.	
The original notification had given the wrong closing date for objections. That has since been clarified and the correct closing date objections is 16 May 2024.	
Email From Julie Barron Committee Services Officer, Renfrewshire Council Voter ID	
Email sent on behalf of Dave Lowe, Democratic Services Manager/Election Manager regarding requirement for Voters to present appropriate ID when voting in person at the next Westminster General Election.	
Ahead of the next UK Parliament general election, due to take place before the end of January 2025, the Councils want to make all residents in Renfrewshire aware that they will need an accepted form of photo identification to cast their vote – so please share this with your networks.	Noted
Everyone voting in-person will need to show photographic ID at the polling station for the first time following the introduction of new legislation by the UK Government.	
Accepted forms of ID include a passport, driving licence, older persons or disabled persons bus pass and Young Scot card. Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.	
Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk or by completing a paper form.	
The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID can be found <a href="here">here</a>	

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The need for photo identification applies to UK general elections only and not for local or Scottish Government elections.	
Email From Julie Barron Committee Services Officer, Renfrewshire Council SCDC Participation Request Proposals Conference Will Be Held On 15th May 2024, 9.30am – 3.30pm	Noted
At the request of the Scottish Government, the Scottish Community Development Centre (SCDC) have been working with community representatives and staff from public sector agencies to develop ideas for improving the Participation Requests process based on experience of using them so far. These ideas will inform ministers consideration of Part Three of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 as part of the wider review of the Act happening this year.	
They will be presenting and discussing our proposed recommendations from the engagement work they have been doing to:	
<ul> <li>outline what a set of refreshed National Implementation Principles for Participation Requests could look like</li> <li>develop recommendations for strengthening the Guidance for Participation Requests for Public Service Authorities(PSAs) and Community Participation Bodies(CPBs)</li> <li>suggest what a Review/Appeals process could look like for Participation Requests</li> </ul>	
Hundreds of representatives from PSAs and CPBs have been involved in this work so far, via our national survey, wider online events and detailed discussion in a joint working group.	
They have now developed the ideas into a more concrete set of recommendations for Scottish Government to consider and the conference is the opportunity for them to seek your views on their final form before submission to the Scottish Government.	
The opportunity to take part in the work so far has been widely circulated to community organisations in Scotland and to all public service agencies eligible to receive requests under the act. The event builds on the views of those who have been involved to date but interested parties do not have to have been involved so far to take part.	
Participants do not have to have submitted or received a Participation Request to attend the event, but it is expected that you will have an understanding of the process and how it has operated to date as the focus of the conference will be on detailed improvement proposals which will be shared in advance of the event rather than how to make a request.	Noted
Participants on the day will be invited to take part in an online poll to indicate which of the proposals they endorse and what they may wish to see reconsidered. The poll will stay open for several days after the event.	110104

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More information on Participation Requests can be found by visiting their website.	Noted
Outspoken Arts Scotland Limited Exhibitions & Events Apr-Dec 2024/ Big Art Show 2024 Call for Entries - Submission Deadline 31st May 2024	W. 1
Email with details of forthcoming exhibitions and events and Call for Entries for the Big Art Show, the closing date for which is 31st May.	Noted
Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) Update	
April update can be found here	
7. Treasurer's Report	
The Treasurer reported that the balance at the bank amounts to £2564.12, reflecting payment of the insurance renewal amounting to £98.56.	
8.Any other Business	
Renfrewshire Foodbank	
The Chair reflected briefly on a recent visit to the Foodbank's new facility at Renfrew and the impressive logistics that are in place and went on to outline the scale of the demand and challenges currently facing the organisation.	
Cllr Graeme Clark	Noted
In anticipation of his absence from the meeting, Cllr Clark had sent on a brief report in the following terms;	
"I'm afraid I have to submit my apologies again for the meeting this week. I am currently serving as Interim-Moderator for a church in Glasgow and they hold their managers meeting on the same night as Paisley East and Whitehaugh Community Council.	
Currently, I am working alongside Friends of Barshaw who have received a business rates claim. The Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Act 2020 changed the definition around exemption from entry from the Valuation Roll for Lands and Heritages that are in public parks. The changed definition meant that a number of properties that were previous excluded from the Valuation Roll were no longer exempt from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2023 and the assessor was required to identify these and add them to the Valuation Roll. As a charity they will get some relief but hopefully we can have a revaluation before then.	
I am also working with members of Barshaw Golf Club around the deterioration of the course, the absence of OneRen staff and notices regarding the same, plus the actioning of necessary repairs to the clubhouse"	

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9. Date of Next Meeting	
The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 5th June 2024 at 7.00pm	