

BRIGHTONS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD AT: Brightons Community Hall

DATE: 28th January 2010

PRESENT: Convener Tom Grieve, Moira Heeps, Peter Queen, John Shepherd, Anne Herd, Pamela Brown, Alistair Cross, Joan Alexander, Marilyn Stirling, Anna Levin, Mr Alistair Park, Jenny Kane & Neil Gentleman from Falkirk Council

APOLOGIES: Alison Findlay

MINUTES: The minutes of meeting of 22nd October 2010 were read and approved.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Welcome: Mr Tom Grieve opened the meeting and welcomed those present. He thanked Jenny and Neil for coming along to give us an update on the house at Wallace Crescent.

Police Report: In the absence of police officers there was no report available.

Old Housing Office at Wallace Crescent: The work is ongoing and is due to be finished very soon. The Community Council will get a visit once Falkirk Council has taken over the building. Neil Gentlemen is the new Team Manager for the centre. He has about 16 yrs experience. The appointment of staff will start the beginning of March. With hopefully the children arriving April. There will be a total of about 12 staff working in shifts.

There were a number of issues raised by local residents.

Car parking – there is going to be parking for about 5 or 6 cars in total.

Fencing at Back – This should be a wooden fence according to original plans so a six ft. wooden fence will be installed.

Windows- 2 of the stair front facing windows will have an opaque film placed over them.

It was stressed the lay by in front of the building is not purely for the home.

With no other questions for Jenny and Neil the two then left the meeting.

Footbridge: Moira reported she had a reply from Councillor McLuckie and the bridge has to be done this financial year i.e. by March. The council are waiting on permission from British Waterways.

Canal Notice Board: This is now in place. Many thanks to Peter for his hard work in getting this done.

Car Park Extension: This is now being well used.

Christmas Tree: This was in place this year and there have been many good reports about it.

Wall at Hazlehurst: Moira Heeps reported the council had been out and checked this and have ascertained the wall is safe. It does need some remedial work and the council are trying to contact the builders who will be responsible for half the cost. Moira will contact the council again and see if they will meet with us at the site.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was placed on the table and discussed with those present.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Peter reported there is £876.15 in the funds with £500 of that from Wimpey Homes.
Peter is making the application for this years grant. This is for April 09 to March 10.
John Shepherd will receive £20 as cost of inks for his report on the Open Space Strategy.

Planning Applications:

There was notification of an appeal for the rest. At Pretoria Place. This had already been rejected on Parking.

There was another application for 16 flats at the Royal British Legion site on Park Terrace.

A.O.C.B.

Anna Levin and Marilyn Stirling reported they had submitted a 700 signature petition to Falkirk Council to have crossings at various points in Brightons. It was agreed the Community Council would support this.

There was a complaint of the state of the building which is the bridal shop at Brightons cross. There are tiles falling off the wall

The convener thanked all for attending.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE 28th February 2010AT 7PM.