## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NORTH KELVIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL ST CHARLES CHURCH HALL, 7pm, 3 OCTOBER 2017

 Members present: Jamie Thomas-Harley (Chair, JTH); Elaine Doherty (Vice Chair, ED); Christine Alison (Planning Officer, CA); Martin Venherm (Treasurer); Merle Read (Communications) Non-members: Alasdair Macdonald; John Boyle; Ed Clack; Neil Paterson; Councillor Jane Morgan; Councillor Martha Wardrop

Apologies: Peter Blackshaw (Secretary, PB); Douglas Peacock; Councillor Ken Andrews

- 2. The minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved (having been originally approved at the November 2016 meeting)
- 3. Chair's report. It was noted Daniel Wilson had resigned from the Council because of work commitments and Jane Morgan had resigned following her election as a City Councillor. Our secretary for many years, Peter Blackshaw, has also resigned. Peter was thanked in his absence for all his hard work for the council & community over the years and it was hoped he would have a speedy recovery from an upcoming operation. We are still under strength regarding membership and are delighted that Alasdair Macdonald and Ed Clack will be joining the council in November. They have already made a positive contribution with their review of the parking situation in the area.

We undertook several litter/leaf clear-ups in Oban Passage, Yarrow Gardens Lane, Doune Gardens Lane and the surrounding streets, with the help of the Environmental Task Force. Local residents have attended and given us positive feedback.

We attended and contributed to consultations concerning the announcement of a new primary school in the area and voted in favour of its location at the playing fields at the top of Queen Margaret Drive. The school is expected to be ready by 2020.

When planning permission was sought for an apart-hotel on Fergus Drive we worked with the Muchtoobig community group to organise meetings and inform the community about the plans, which were opposed on grounds of scale, quality of materials, and expected antisocial behaviour, among others. Meetings to guide objections to the plans were addressed by Ann Laird from Friends of Glasgow West and attended by residents, city councillors, MSPs and UK parliamentary candidates. We submitted our opposition to the development and the plans were rejected by the City Council Planning department.

We made a successful funding application to Hillhead Area Partnership for a community noticeboard to be positioned on Queen Margaret Drive. Installation of the board will depend on the timing of the pavement improvements. We hope that the board will help us better engage with residents.

Members liaised with local police to address university students on the subject of antisocial behaviour and its effect on local residents.

In recent weeks there was a regrettable spree of vandalism to cars in and around Belmont Street. It is hoped that this has now ceased.

Members have liaised with a new community group set up to tackle the problems associated with poor drainage and refuse collection on Doune Gardens Lane. It is expected a council digger is to be used soon. Investigation of the water source is ongoing. Parking problems in our area have been exacerbated by the introduction of restricted parking zones (RPZs) in neighbouring areas. Our parking subcommittee has been looking into the issues, including the possible introduction of an RPZ here, and has arranged a meeting with a representative of the City Council. A public consultation is expected next year. We reported obstructive parking on the Belmont triangle and road lines have now been repainted.

Our followers on social media have increased in number. Activity has been greater when problems such as the Fergus Drive planning application have been to the fore.

Boundary changes to council wards changed the city councillors who represent us. We have made a positive impact in the community over the last year, but it is vital that we increase our membership, particularly in areas that are not represented on the Council.

Proposed: CA. Seconded: ED.

4. Treasurer's report. We have had an active year, and, allowing for the noticeboard funds, we have exceeded our allowance. The nature of our expenditure has changed from equipment to promotional material. The rental of the hall for additional meetings associated with the Fergus Drive planning application was an extra expense. The expenditure has helped raised our profile and it is positive that we are making full use of our allowance.

At the start of our year we had £1,464.71 in our account and we received our allowance of £518.95 and noticeboard funding of £2,000. At the end of the year we had £3,244.01 in our account (including the ring-fenced noticeboard money). Our expenses were £739: £405 was spent on hall bookings; £238 on promotional material; £86 on lane clear-ups and £10 on stationery and tea and coffee.

The report is to be submitted once it has been reviewed and signed by an independent person and the relevant members of the Council.

- 5. Current office bearers stood down.
- 6. Call for nominations from members was as follows (chaired by ED):

MEMBER	PROPOSED	SECONDED
<u>CHAIR</u>		
JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY	CHRISTINE ALISON	ELAINE DOHERTY
VICE CHAIR		
Vacant		
<u>SECRETARY</u>		
CHRISTINE ALISON	JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY	ELAINE DOHERTY
MINUTE SECRETARY		
Vacant		
TREASURER		

MARTIN VENHERM JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY CHRISTINE ALISON

PLANNING OFFICER

CHRISTINE ALISON JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY MERLE READ

LICENSING CONTACT

DOUGLAS PEACOCK JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY CHRISTINE ALISON

JTH wishes to stand down as Chair as soon as a replacement can be found, after which he offered to then act as Vice Chair (position currently vacant).

7. Call for nominations and election of Lead and Substitute CC Representative on the Hillhead Area Partnership:

LEAD: MERLE READ (Proposed: JAMIE THOMAS-HARLEY; Seconded: CHRISTINE ALISON)

SUBSTITUTE: DOUGLAS PEACOCK (Proposed: MARTIN VENHERM; Seconded: MERLE READ)

- 8. Graham White was appointed Independent Examiner of accounts for next year.
- 9. No associate members were appointed.
- 10. The Inventory was not reviewed due to absence of the previous secretary. CA to contact PB about this.
- 11. The Chair closed the AGM and officiated for the ordinary meeting which followed. The next AGM is to take place in October 2018.