

GOVAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 9/01/17

Present: Flora Pagan (In Chair), Esme Clark, Robert Preston, Gina Preston, Helen McNeill, Jean Melvin, Attending: Cllr. John Kane, David Jones, Allan Bell. Apologies: John Foster, Dick Carabine, Cllrs. Fariha Thomas and James Adams, Wilma Bruce, Reinhold Gormiak, Sandy Black.

Minute Taker: Esme Clark.

The Chair welcomed members and wished all a Happy New Year. The meeting was likely to be shorter than usual due to the absence of John Foster and the many apologies received, due to our meeting being held on the 2nd. Monday in the month instead of the 1st. In any case, there is very little movement locally over the holiday season. Consideration may be given in future to whether a January meeting is desirable.

I. MINUTES OF DECEMBER GENERAL MEETING/MATTERS ARISING.

Corrections - Helen McNeill had not attended that meeting and Reinhold Gorniak's name had been misspelled.

POLICE ISSUES - no police presence due to change of date.

SHOPPING TROLLEYS - Still a problem, although there has been some improvement from ASDA. Cllr. John Kane is to be in contact with the manager of the Shopping Mall to see if she can help there.

HATE CRIME - Thriving Places to take on responsibility for this.

ALCOHOL AWARENESS - Secretary to try to contact a speaker for the March meeting as February will be occupied with issues that have arisen over the winter.

BUS LANES/BUS REGULATION. - We have had a discussion with the Transport Minister, but much more remains to be done. The Secretary pointed out that, coming out of the Underground Station and going to the Hospital, passengers had to decide which of three bus stops to use, all with the same destination - McGill's 23 and 21 in Govan Road, Stagecoach X19 in Golspie Street or FirstBus 90 at the bus station. You pay your money, and you take your choice

Q.E. UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL - It had been reported that an emergency management team had recently been put in place here. Discussion on the absentee rate among hospital staff and the policy of waste recycling.

COTTAGES IN CRAIGTON ROAD - Secretary had seen some work going on to restore these to use, but still issues here.

STAG STREET - Robert Preston reported on work in progress in Stag Street. Removal of traffic island and possible repositioning of traffic lights. It looks as though work is finally commencing at Drive Road as well. More problems were discussed including the Golspie Street/Harmony Row bus lanes and the need for more signage.

MEMBERSHIP - to be discussed at the February meeting.

GOVAN LETTER - Letter has been widely distributed.

GREENFIELD SCHOOL - The Secretary had written in support of Pat Cassidy's request for a review of the Listing of this building, and she was delighted to tell the meeting that the Listing had been reviewed and that the building is now "B Listed". Pat Cassidy can now begin to apply for funding to restore the building. He was grateful for our support and the Secretary had assured him that if any of his funding applications needed evidence of community engagement, we would be only too pleased to support an application.

GOVAN LOVES CHRISTMAS - The Housing Association is looking for help with the organization.

GOVAN COMMUNITY BUDGETING EVENT - Confirmation of date as Wednesday, 25th. January at 6pm in the Clyde Community Hall.

MARY BARBOUR STATUE - Cllr. John Kane reported that the first part of the mould was now at the foundry. This can be seen at the sculptor Andrew Brown's site on Facebook. Talks are now ongoing with Historic Scotland on plans for the base and the site.

COUNCIL BUDGET CUTS - The Scottish Government has cut £237 million from local authority funding. Glasgow City Council has now to set a budget.

POTHoles - Complaints that potholes such as those in Shieldhall Road and Orkney Street have only been patched up and will need more work very soon.

Minutes moved as correct by Esme Clark and Jean Melvin.

2. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Motion for the re-regulation of bus services was passed by the Council.

Match-day parking at Ibrox. A plan has been produced to reduce parking in a zone around the Football Stadium. All residents will need a parking permit on match days, free, and can purchase a permit for a visitor for the sum of £10. The zone reaches down to Summertown Road and Govan Road and we wondered where the cars displaced from the zone would go. On 19th. January in the afternoon there will be a presentation at Ibrox Library, and the Secretary will attend and report back.

Cleansing - the Cllr. reported that there had been a blitz on cleansing in Elder Park and we would be seeing a real difference. Discussion on bins and recycling. Gina Preston had particular concerns about dog-fouling in Rosneath Street/Shaw Street.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 6th. February 2017 at 7pm in the Workspace.