

Garrowhill Community Council Meeting

Garrowhill Community Centre, Maxwell Drive

Wednesday 6th March 2019

Members:

Murray Packer; Dougie McCallum; Maria Paterson; Julie Morrison; Bill McMaster; Fay McGregor.

Apologies

John McEwan

Councillors

Bailie Elaine Ballantyne

Police Scotland

Daryl Teasdale

1	Minutes from previous meeting	
	Proposed Bill McMaster Seconded Fay McGregor	
2	Police Scotland	
	Figures for the Garrowhill area for February:	
	Overall total of 13 crime reports broken down as: 2 Road Traffic Incidents; 2 Thefts; 1	
	Shoplifting; 1 Motor Vehicle Theft; 2 Assaults; 2 Acts of Vandalism; 1 Road Traffic incident and breach of the peace; 1 racial incident and 1 house break in.	
	Noted that there appears to be direct targeting of vehicles and ongoing issue of youths from other areas travelling into the area.	
	BMcM asked if the parking issues at the roundabout at Thornbridge could be investigated.	
	Parking over the small strip of road outside of the roundabout as well as on the inner road	
	is causing an obstruction.	
	Generally, the inconsiderate parking surrounding Garrowhill Primary School continues to	
	be an issue. Cars are parking from before 2pm and sit with the engine running.	
	DT mentioned that in some areas a 'walking bus' has been set up. Given the area covered	
	by GPS this may not be a viable option for all – although may be worth considering. Noted that there is a lack of engagement by the school generally on this issue.	
	Parking on the corner of Maxwell Drive and Beech Avenue is now becoming more of an issue.	
	Should Chair of Community Council contact the school to discuss as this issue appears to be getting worse?	
	Oaks Care home are keen to be involved in discussions with members of the local	
	community. Have suggested a meeting on 26 th March. (Date not suitable for M. Paterson.)	
	Agreed that the contact email address info@garrowhillcc.org.uk to be provided to care	
	home manager, and suitable date to be arranged.	
3	Planning/Licensing	
	No issues relevant to our area were noted.	

Julie stated that she would be stepping down tonight as she would be unable to attend the next 3 meetings.

M Packer and D McCallum will attend a meeting to discuss the City Development Plan and feed back to the CC meeting following the meeting.

Question raised as to any update on the former Police Station on Baillieston Main Street. Work appears to have stalled. Also given the protracted sale and GHA backing out – how much additional expense has been incurred by Police Scotland. (Initially it was agreed this was not to be a public sale with only GHA bidding.) Should GCC submit a Freedom of Information request for this information?

Cllr Ballantyne noted she had followed up the position of the work and had an update:

GHA responded and said they had received approval of grant monies from Glasgow City Council to commence the project. The completed project will provide mid-market rent homes. The hope is this will start as early as April.

Noted that work is ongoing on the cottages adjacent to the site.

4 Councillor

Bailie Ballantyne provided an update on the following:

Potholes

Arrangements in place for potholes at 62 and 64 Thornbridge Rd to have temporary repair completed with permanent repair in next year's carriageway works. Similarly at Whirlaw Road; Dolan Street/Greenshields Rd

Grit Bin

Bin to be installed corner of Beech Ave/Weirwood asap.

Tennis Courts

Funding arrangements (Tennis Scotland and sportsscotland) now in place and Terms and Conditions being discussed. About to appoint main contractor for work – City Building.

Garrowhill Toddler Park

'No Dogs Allowed' sign ordered and will be erected on site by 15/03/19.

Barrachnie Park

Arranged for shrub beds to be pruned in the forthcoming weeks and completed by 01.03.19.

Sherbourne Park

Chair to liaise and raise with Neighbourhoods and Sustainability team.

Glasgow Road

Fencing removed as it was beyond economical repair. Replacement ordered and will be



erected on receipt.

Road markings/linings

Roads noted in prior meeting – have instructed lining contractor to complete the works. (Should have been completed by 28.03.19 – although noted this would be weather dependant.)

Mount Vernon Avenue

Arrangements have been made to have the location inspected and where necessary repairs to the carriage way will be completed. It will also be assessed by an officer and decision made if this should be included in future resurfacing or permanent patching programme.

Barrachnie Skate Park

A Council Officer has been liaising with Urban Sports regarding the upgrade of the skate park. Update will be provided to CC when report on the consultation has been received.

Chair said that stuff for younger children would be beneficial.

Meeting noted that if residents/groups are seeking this they should contact UrbanSports who can advise on how to proceed.

Information on funding sources and upgrades be added to CC website.

New Sports Facility – update

Anticipate there will be more information forthcoming on this by the end of March. After investigation and audit the fund is now at £6.5m.

Intention is for a 'Community Hub' to be installed.

(Possible services per discussion—i.e. Library, GP, Dental Practice. This would help ensure the viability of the project.)

Future Funding

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AOB

An increase to Community Councils Admin Grant has been approved in budget setting. M. Paterson noted we need to identify areas where our admin grant could be used as there has been no significant expenditure recently.

5	Roads and Lighting
	Already considered in other meeting discussion.
6	Treasurer Report
	Cash in Bank £1088.40 Cash in Hand £25.
7	Sherbourne Park
	DMcC will follow up the continued flooding in the park with Nigel Kerr.
	FM also noted flooding on paths in Barrachnie Park.
8	Traffic Lights
	Chair will follow up the issue of the timings on Pedestrian Lights at Glasgow Road junction.

BMcM has requested that we attempt to re-engage with Bannerman High School. The litter issue from the shops at Thornbridge along Maxwell Drive and down Beech Avenue is becoming worse. Noted the issue of litter from school pupils generally continues to be an issue.

Chair agreed to contact school in writing providing BMcM contact information to arrange a meeting.

Bailie Ballantyne note that Glasgow City Council plan to reinvest in Schools Kitchens across the area – 2019-2022. This will enable provision of Free School Meals to all P1-P7 school pupils.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 3rd April 2019