

# **CAMBUSLANG COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014**

### **Venue: Cambuslang St Andrews Church Hall**

#### **Present**

I Frame                      Treasurer & Acting Chairman  
H B Allan                     Secretary  
D Thomson  
B H Hartel  
H Allison  
R Allison  
J Bachtler  
M Gurling  
D MacDonald

#### **In Attendance**

Cllr R Tullett  
E Cais (Friends of Cambuslang Park)  
T Stringfellow  
Mrs Farmer  
Mrs Wallace  
E A Allan (Minute Secretary)

#### **Welcome**

The Acting Chairman opened the Meeting, welcoming Members, Elected Representatives and others attending.

#### **Apologies**

A Reynolds, I McKenzie, J Taylor, E Wallace, S Smith, R Rooney, D MacDonald, N Berry, Cllr W Brogan, Cllr P Clearie, Cllr R Clearie, Cllr C Deanie, Cllr C McColl, T Greatrex, MP, J Kelly, MSP, K Smith (“Reformer”)

#### **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the Meeting of 16<sup>th</sup> September were read.

#### **Corrections**

There were no corrections.

#### **Matters Arising**

**Cambus Court** – Mr Hartel said the site has been bought from Caruso by Apsis Developments and an application for a similar development of three blocks of flats has been submitted. It seems to be a better proposal than the Caruso one as it is intended that there will be more landscaping, more trees will be kept and there will be more consultation with neighbouring properties. The proposals are on the South Lanarkshire Council website under reference CR/114/0170.

The number of flats is reduced from 20 to 18, and the size of the individual flats will be slightly bigger. There will be more garden space and company representatives have asked immediate neighbours what the problems were and are trying to address these. They are proposing to put a tank in to take excess water if there is heavy rain and sewerage will go into the main sewer on Buchanan Drive.

The Minutes were approved by Mr Bachtler and seconded by Mrs Gurling.

### **Police Report**

There was no Police presence at the Meeting. The Minute Secretary advised the Meeting that she had received an email from Sgt McLaughlin advising that she has now been transferred to Bellshill. Sgt McLaughlin asked that her good wishes be passed on to the Community Council and that she had enjoyed the opportunities she had had to come along to Meetings when possible.

### **Chairman's Correspondence**

There was no Chairman's Correspondence.

### **Secretary's Report**

The Secretary said in the "Reformer" of 20<sup>th</sup> August there had been an article regarding the proposed development at the former Hoover site. This article said it is hoped that work will start on this site next year. The article was passed round the Members to let them see it.

Notification has been received of a number of forthcoming parades and marches, including those for Remembrance Sunday.

Notice has been received of a change of use for the premises at 242 Main Street from a hairdressing salon to a coffee shop.

### **Treasurer's Report**

October balance	£2,052.99
Balance today	£2,222.37

The Treasurer said 18p interest had been received.

The Treasurer advised the Meeting there is still £144.44 in the Morriston Park Fund.

### **Bike Project**

Mr Bachtler circulated a report providing details of recent progress and gave a slide show detailing future possible developments.

Bike Town are opening the first hub in Rutherglen, operating from a container on Cambuslang Road next to Fleming Carpets.

Clyde Loop. Progress continues to be good with plans for a south Clyde cycle path from Cambuslang Bridge to Dalmarnock Bridge. Meetings are being arranged with landowners as they respond to the contact letter.

Road-Racing Cycle Track. Work on a proposal to create a cycle road-racing track (criterium circuit) in Cambuslang has accelerated over the past month. Following a meeting with interested parties, it was agreed to write formally to Scottish Cycling expressing interest in siting a regional or national road-racing cycle centre, and associated outdoor sports, in Cambuslang. Mr Bachtler said that consideration is also being given as to what other groups might become involved. Other possible future developments could include a canoeing centre because it is near the river, Nordic power walking, running clubs, skateboarding and a football pitch.

Westburn Link. Scottish Power needs to be contacted to discuss the alternative route between the Overton Grange estate and the NCR 75, as they appear to be the landowner of the adjacent land.

The Acting Chairman thanked Mr Bachtler for his comprehensive report, the interesting slide show, which showed some photographs of the areas which are being considered for future development and the work he had been doing on this project.

**Cambuslang Community Council Website** – The Acting Chairman asked Mr Bachtler to give the Meeting details about this. Mr Bachtler gave a presentation of the proposed website, illustrating the points mentioned at last month's Meeting. It is intended to give details of Cambuslang Community Council, a Calendar of Meetings, and have an information section giving details about local history, councillors, MSPs, MP, churches, schools, sports clubs, Friends of Cambuslang Park and other organisations.

The Acting Chairman thanked Mr Bachtler for his report and presentation.

### **South Lanarkshire Council Local Development Plan**

When the draft Local Development Plan had been circulated, Cambuslang Community Council had made a submission to South Lanarkshire Council. Mr Bachtler said he had looked at the issues raised by Cambuslang Community Council, which were objecting to further developments in the area of East Greenlees Road and Lightburn Road, and raising the point that more ought to be done for the Town Centre, particularly Main Street. All objections raised have been refuted and there is no change to the Development Plan.

Mrs Wallace asked how that would affect schools in the area. Cllr Tullett said if it can be shown that a development would make a material difference to a school then South Lanarkshire Council look for a contribution from the developer to help cover additional costs. There may, on occasion, be implications for catchment realignment.

The Minute Secretary said that Mr Reynolds has previously raised concerns about infrastructure with regard to new developments. Mr Cais said water is about the first issue that has to be dealt with.

### **Area Around Cathkin High School**

The Acting Chairman invited Mrs Farmer to address the Meeting. She said she had attended a Community Council Meeting a few months ago and had spoken about the land at the roundabout near the school. The grass there has now been cut back. Cllr Tullett

said the land across from the school has now been sold and there is a proposal to construct 28 small terraced houses.

Mrs Farmer said that Barratt have now cleared some of the debris which had been left near their new estate and that area is now a lot tidier.

Mrs Farmer said she felt the school entrance lacked an identity. There are three campuses on site. She has been in contact with the school and they have agreed to do something more pleasing to the eye. They are going to do this as part of an eco-project.

Community Payback Team has agreed there is a little piece of woodland which has been neglected. There are bad potholes and tree roots. It is not a great path to walk through. Community Payback Team is taking that on as a long-term project. If they cut back a lot of old trees, South Lanarkshire Council will maintain it afterwards. A lot of people use it to walk through and it would be nice if it was maintained.

Mrs Wallace raised the issue of the entrance to the school which runs from Stewarton Drive onto the path at the new Cathkin rugby fields and comes in at the back of the school. This path is very muddy. Mr MacKenzie had advised them to contact Alan Bannister at South Lanarkshire Council to see if it was a path or not. Mr Bachtler suggested that, once it was identified who was responsible, it might be worth approaching the Paths for All charity as they can provide grants of up to £1,500.

### **Any Other Business**

Cllr Tullett said the Scottish Power work on Main Street is due for completion around mid-November.

Mrs Allison said the underpass on the Main Street has been vandalised again. It is physically not possible to locate a CCTV camera there to try to catch who is doing this.

Mr Thomson said the buildings behind the County Inn were due to be demolished but so far this has not happened. Cllr Tullett said he believed Cllr McColl had been looking into this, so would pass this on to her.

Mr MacDonald said drivers of vehicles coming out of West Coats Road sometimes have their view restricted because the bins on the pavement are causing an obstruction of view. Mrs Allison said pedestrians are also having problems because of the bins.

### **Closure of Meeting**

There being no other business, the Acting Chairman closed the Meeting, thanking all present for their attendance, and reminding Members that the next Meeting and Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2014 in St Andrews Church Hall, Main Street, Cambuslang at 7.30 pm.