



**CAMBUSLANG**  
Community Council

## Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January

2020

**Cambuslang Institute 7.30-9.00pm**

### **Present**

John Bachtler, Chair

Michelle Farmer, Vice-Chair

Brian Fisher, Treasurer

David Porter, Secretary

Hilda Allison

Bobby Allison

David Thomson

Dave Sutton

Stewart Walker

Jacqueline Smyth

Alison Park FoHWCP

### **In Attendance**

Brendan Rooney, HnHCDT

Ian Robertson, HnHCDT

Gerald Boyd, Resident

Phyllis Boyd, Resident

Morven Last, Minutes Secretary

### **Apologies**

Amy Davison

Suzy Quinn

CLlr Margaret Walker

CLlr. John Bradley

James Kelly MSP

PC Thomas McEwan (Police Scotland)

PC Paul Patterson (Police Scotland)

Elizabeth Allan, Resident

### **1. Welcome**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked B Rooney and I Robertson of Healthy 'n' Happy for their attendance.

### **2. Apologies**

Noted above.

### **3. Minutes of Meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2019**

Corrections to the Minutes – None.

Approval of the Minutes was proposed by M Farmer and seconded by S Walker.

### **4. Matters arising**

#### **a) VE75 Celebration : CCC events and planning**

S Walker provided the following report:

The main hall in the Cambuslang Institute has been booked for 9<sup>th</sup> May at a cost of £400, although there is a chance that this charge might be waived as the celebrations are promoted by SLC. Various groups are expected to attend the event such as Citizens Advice, Credit Union, Cambuslang in Bloom and Friends of Holmhill Wood Community Park. Display boards themed around World War II are being

prepared and will be on show in the hall. There will be a 'Big Brew' to raise money for SSAFA along with an appeal for donations to the local foodbank.

J Bachtler suggested applying for an area grant from SLC, or from one of the banks we have been speaking to. CCC will have a stall and it was suggested that Camglen Radio and Healthy 'n' Happy might also have stall. D Porter suggested publicising the event on Camglen Radio and through local newspapers and leaflets. J Bachtler suggested contacting the former Cambuslang Heritage Group (Norman Rae) to obtain wartime photographic material for the event.

**b) Enabling cultural events/activities in Cambuslang:  
preliminary discussions with SLLC**

M Farmer met with the Cultural Manager for SL Leisure and Culture (SLLC) to discuss the lack activities available for young people and the lack of communication about events happening in Cambuslang. She proposed that an arts programme for all ages be developed. The issue of the Cambuslang Institute being fully booked was addressed and it was suggested that rooms could be divided in half to create more areas for different activities. She also noted that no refreshment facilities were available in the Institute and that at the very least a drinks machine should be provided. Another solution could be the creation of pop-up activities, using the Cambuslang Library or Costa Coffee.

**5. Police Report**

There was no report.

**Committee Business**

**6. Chair's Correspondence**

A planning application notice (PAN) was received from a firm that wishes to develop the Clydebridge Works site for a hotel and leisure complex. This will include significant changes to the site such as the site access via the roundabout and the area next to the river. J Bachtler responded asking to meet with the group as it links closely with the Clyde Cycle Park project. The applicants have been given the February and March CCC meeting dates which they have been invited to attend.

The Chair has received a complaint from a resident who has lived next to the Baptist Church on Cadzow Drive for 6 weeks. The complaint was about parking issues on the street, causing the resident to be frequently unable to get in and out of his driveway. He also mentioned the loud noise from the Institute caused by doors and windows being left open during parties. J Bachtler met with the resident to advise him on what to do. The issue was investigated by a SLC engineer who wrote an unhelpful response. The Chair is working to help the resident contact the 4 groups involved in the issue (SLLC, the Baptist Church, SLC and the Police).

**7. Secretary's Report**

D Porter provided the following Secretary's Report:

1) Planning Applications for period 16 Dec 2019 to 17 Jan 2020 (from weekly notifications): For domestic premises: 4 applications for changes/extensions to houses; and 3 for commercial developments.

- i. P/10/1897 - Hotel and Leisure Centre on land adjacent to former site of Clydebridge Works. PA relates to request for EIA scoping study. (PAN previously notified in December).
- ii. P/20/0044 – Greggs (Whitlawburn): Erection of illuminated and non-illuminated shop front signage.
- iii. P/20/0003/V - Cambuslang Old Parish Church: Variation to planning permission CR/16/0185 to amend car park surface from tarmac to charcoal coloured permeable paving.

Action: None

Licensing Applications/Changes

*Application for major variation - Aldi, Hamilton Road, Cambuslang.*

- Increase in alcohol display from 1 - 31 December annually and for a week prior to Easter Sunday (as it falls) for a duration of 21 days.
- 31.51 sq m permanent display plus 7.2 sq m for additional seasonal

Action: None

2) Marches/Parades: None notified :

Action: None

3) Consultations/Surveys:

- i. **Scottish Government Planning Performance and Fees Consultation - 18 December 2019 to 14 February 2020**

Action: Judging this matter requires expert knowledge of professional fee structures. D Sutton will consider and possibly respond.

- ii. **Invitation to attend Holyrood Policy Event: Choose Life: Urgent Policy Responses to Tackle Scotland's Drug Deaths Emergency, 31 March 2020**

Action: None

- iii. **Monklands Replacement Project: Update for stakeholders – 10 January 2020**

The shortlisted sites are:

0. Gartcosh
1. Glenmavis
2. Wester Moffat

Action: None

- iv. **My Place Awards 2020 by Scottish Civic Trust:**

These Awards celebrate community-led built environment initiatives that have produced a transformative project for their locality.

Action: Fully document works on Main Street under TCSAP with a view to submitting our 'project' in 2021.

v. **National Planning Framework 4 - early engagement - community councils**

Action: This consultation is largely 'technical' in nature. D Sutton has the documents and in due course will provide a response on behalf of CCC.

## 8. Treasurer's report

B Fisher provided the following Treasurer's Report:

Current and pending transactions for all four CCC Bank Accounts since the 17th December 2019 meeting.

Account	Dec. 2019 Balance	Statement date	Jan. 2020 Balance	Statement date
CCC Main Account	£2,977.10	29.11.19	£2,779.83	31.12.19
Cambuslang in Bloom	£2,330.82	01.11.19	£2,330.82	01.11.19
F of Holmhills WCP	£159.79	01.08.19	£159.79	01.08.19
Micro Grant	£5,000.00	20.09.19	£3,700.00	20.12.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>£10,467.71</b>		<b>£8,970.44</b>	

### Last month's transactions:-

- **Main Account** - Cheque no. 520 for £50 cashed by Rutherglen & Cambuslang Food Bank re donation from Clare Williamson and Mark Lauterburg  
Cheque no. 521 for £27.65 cashed by Mark Lauterburg re sundries for Xmas lights switch on stall  
Cheque no. 523 for £120 cashed by Vibrant Creative Media Ltd. re CF newsletters  
Interest received from RBS £0.38 pence
- **M. G. Account**- 6 of the 19 cheques issued have been cashed totalling £1,300

### Pending transactions:-

- **Main Account** - Cheque no. 519 to John Bachtler for £31.68 re stands for CF newsletters & coffees re Peter Brownlie Football Pitches  
Cheque no. 524 for £150 to Morven Last re minute taking from June to December 2019

## Items for Discussion

### 9. Cambuslang Future Sub-Group:

- **Town Centre Fund: streetscape implementation**

J Bachtler provided the following report:

Progress has now started on the implementation of the programme. A first meeting had been held between SLC and the Town Centre Fund Implementation Group. J Bachtler, M Farmer, H Allison, D Sutton and C Williamson met with two landscape architects from DWA, SLC Economic Development Officials and an engineer, which left them impressed by the enthusiasm of the architects. DWA Landscape Architects have received background information and a consultation of local businesses has taken place. The first designs will be displayed at the meeting on Thursday (23 Jan). It was agreed that the wider community in Cambuslang needed to see the designs, meaning it would be useful to identify places in Cambuslang where members of the public could view the plans for the Main Street. Displays and boards will be set up along with maps of what has been planned and samples of the paving slabs that might be used. A further meeting is planned with DWA and SLC for 23 January 2020.

It was noted that it should be possible for CCC to apply for the funding again in future years so that the rest of the Main Street can be regenerated.

## **10. Healthy n Happy**

- **Activities and scope for collaboration with CCC**

Brendan Rooney began by welcoming the invitation to participate at a CCC meeting and emphasised HnH's commitment to cooperation. He reviewed the history of the Healthy n Happy Community Development Trust, from its formation as a health and food project in 1997 and then constituted as a charity in 2002 with the current name being adopted in 2012. Originally based in Whitlawburn, HnH moved to its base in the Aspire Building in Rutherglen in 2012 and subsequently set up the Camglen Bike Town, CamGlen Radio and No.18. Its activities cover a range of services to improve health, wellbeing and quality of life. B Rooney acknowledged that HnH's physical presence is in Rutherglen, although a search for premises in Cambuslang when new accommodation was required has not been successful. He provided figures for the various services to show that projects and spending are reasonably well balanced between the postcodes G72 (Cambuslang and Halfway) and G73 (Rutherglen). Ian Robertson added several points, to emphasise the commitment of HnH to Cambuslang. The Healthy 'n' Happy team expressed an interest in working more closely with CCC.

M Farmer requested that HnH CLD workers use the All about Cambuslang Facebook page to advertise their events/activities for residents in Cambuslang. She explained that currently residents would only be aware what is on if they followed the No. 18 Facebook page and she doubted whether that is used. B Rooney agreed to pass this request on to HnH staff.

Further information was provided in response to questions. J Bachtler thanked B Rooney for the presentation and the work of HnH, noting that the community was fortunate in having such a committed team of people supporting the health and wellbeing of the community. He also acknowledged the positive experience of CCC in working with HnH on a range of projects in recent years, notable the Clyde Cycle Project, Greening Cambuslang grant scheme and Micro Grant scheme.

The Chair thanked the Healthy n Happy team who were given a round of applause.

## **Items for Report**

### **11. Parks**

- **Friends of Holmhill Wood Community Park Sub-Group**

- 1) FoHWCP has cancelled Weekly Health Walks as these have not attracted new walkers during the 15 months period of operation. The group may relaunch walks in the future - perhaps with a different timing as it is suspected that Saturday mornings are not optimal.
- 2) On Sat 25<sup>th</sup> January, there will be a short birdwatching session supporting RSPB Big Birdwatch Weekend.
- 3) Fitting in with Scotland's 2020 Year of Coasts and Waters, there will be pond dipping at the next monthly meetup on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, and at other dates throughout the year.
- 4) The group has received £200 grant money from Cambuslang Community Activity Fund. It had applied for £500 to meet full cost of installing 2 individual metal seats beside the pond. At the next Planning Meeting, FoHWCP will consider the preferred option of seeking additional grant funding and also ideas for alternative spending (perhaps litter picking equipment) if this proves unsuccessful.
- 5) FoHWCP are still waiting on assistance to improve the path at the Holmhill Grove entrance which is still muddy and sometimes flooded.

Friends of Holmhill Park welcomes new volunteers to support future events, practical & admin tasks and join in discussions for future developments.

For more information check on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/holmhillspark](http://www.facebook.com/holmhillspark)) or Email ([holmhillspark@yahoo.com](mailto:holmhillspark@yahoo.com)).

### **12. Town Greening Projects**

- **Cambuslang in Bloom Sub-Group**

There was no report.

- **Greening Camglen : potential bid for funding from National Lottery**

A Park noted that there is a meeting regarding funding from National Lottery which she will attend and report back on.

### 13. Any Other Business

- 1) B Fisher mentioned that a set of traffic lights and a zebra crossing at the junction of the Main Street and Greenlees Road were not functioning properly. The area has been monitored and the road is to be resurfaced here. It was noted that the crossing time was not observed to be an issue as there are sensors to detect pedestrians crossing.
- 2) It was noted that there is a large amount of rubbish outside of the Clock Inn
- 3) M Farmer mentioned dumping of rubbish on the Main Street outside of the new steakhouse above the Cheers pub.
- 4) A resident on Greenlees Road near Kirkhill Golf Course has asked for barriers to be put up on sections leading up to the East Kilbride Road due to the pavement on which residents walk being very close to a road with blind sections carrying fast-moving cars. It was also noted that the shrubbery encroaches the pathway at places.
- 5) S Walker mentioned that air monitoring boxes have been placed within the community.
- 6) D Sutton suggesting chasing up the progress of the park and ride scheme with residential parking zone.

**Action: J Bachtler to take this up with SLC.**

- 7) J Bachtler mentioned that he had a meeting with Scottish Enterprise on behalf of the Clyde Cycle Park. Scottish Enterprise has agreed to commit £10,000 of the £20,000 need to complete an on-site environmental review. However, the other half of the money must be raised through crowdfunding, SLC, etc. The project business plan is to be revised to ensure it is about leisure and sport cycling as well as active travel and health issues.
- 8) It was noted that the climate change meeting will take place in Glasgow in November, giving a good opportunity to make people more aware of climate change and how to help.
- 9) Our new MP, Margaret Ferrier, provided a short newsletter for the meeting which is attached as Appendix 1.

The Chair closed the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance.

**The next CCC Meeting will be held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in  
Cambuslang Institute, Greenlees Road at 7.30pm.**

## **Appendix 1: Report from Margaret Ferrier, MP**

Thank you to all the constituents who voted on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019. I am delighted to have been re-elected to represent constituents of Rutherglen and Hamilton West. I will be focused on representing and spending as much time in the constituency as possible.

At the moment, I have set up a temporary office until March 2020 at 43 Farmeloa Road, Rutherglen. I have recruited staff to support with the running of the office. I appreciate your patience as I get my office up-and-running and respond to the many enquiries I have received since my election as the MP.

Since my election, I have been dealing with casework. I held two emergency surgeries on 18<sup>th</sup> January in Rutherglen and Hamilton. I have two surgeries being held this coming week on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January:

- 10.30-11.30am: Cambuslang C-TEC, 1-15 Main Street – PLEASE Note TBC
- 12-1pm, Community Links, Blantyre.

Regular surgeries will be organised shortly and advertised throughout the constituency.

In Westminster news, the house has been debating the Queen's Speech and Withdrawal Agreement Bill. I voted against the UK Government's flawed Brexit deal, which will be economically damaging for Scotland. I have also been asked to take on the role of Shadow SNP Spokesperson for Manufacturing, which will give me an opportunity to highlight the strengths of Scotland's manufacturing sector and the dangers that it faces from a Boris Brexit deal. Cambuslang's strong reputation in the manufacturing industry, from the Hoover factory to the Clydebridge Steelworks, is something I will be drawing upon in this new role.

### Contact for constituents:

Until my constituency office is fully operational, the best method of contact is via email to [Margaret.ferrier.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:Margaret.ferrier.mp@parliament.uk). To contact by phone, 020 7219 3000 or on our temporary office number 07562 288 713.