

Minutes of the Ruchill Community Council held in the Community Centre, Bilsland Drive, Ruchill G20 9NF on Wednesday 10th June 2015 at 6.30pm

Attending: Flo McGrehan
Marion Coleman
Eleanor Brown
Fran O'Rourke
Suzanne Halliday
Councillor Helen Stephen
Dawn Baird, Maryhill HA

Alex Byers, Glasgow Life Area Manager North West

Apologies: Patrick Grady MP

1.0 Welcome

Eleanor welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Alex Byers.

2.0 Minutes of Last Meeting

2.1 The minutes of Wednesday 6th May were adopted: proposed by Fran and 2nd by Flo McGrehan.

3.0 Matters arising from Minutes of Last Meeting

3.1 No matters arising from previous meetings.

4.0 Police Business

4.1 No officers were in attendance.

Area	Ruchill	
Offences		Total Incidents
	Drugs	
	Street Drinkers	
	Theft	
	Theft from M/V	
	Theft HB	
	Assaults	
	Vandalism	
	Breach of the peace	
	Road Traffic	

5.0 Guest Speaker:

5.1 Alex Byers Glasgow Life: Update regarding summer holiday activity programme

Reassurances were given to the community council that Glasgow Life were looking to work in partnership with North United Communities and other partners in the area, to deliver a summer holiday programme. This is to avoid duplication and have activities available to young people so no one misses out. In the past Glasgow Life's activities has conflicted with North United Communities. Alex highlighted that this is the very reason that Glasgow Life are looking for a joined up way of working. Glasgow City Council is a Co-Operative Council and wants to change the way they do things, working locally with organisations, looking at what's best for the community looking at what's already out there. Glasgow Life is willing to put all resources on the table eg staff, buildings etc to create a joint programme. After summer look at what has been learn/achieved once programme has been delivered. Not looking to take credit for delivery of programme and happy to

Frances mentioned that it would be beneficial if Glasgow Life provided North United Communities with funding for the programme. Alex explained that Glasgow Life is not a funder therefore cannot provide organisations with money.

5.2 Councillor Helen Stephen

5.3 Councillor Stephen provided an update regarding the lighting. A column has now arrived and should be delivered in 3 weeks.

5.4 Councillor Stephen and Councillor Kelly attended the Maryhill Housing Association resident's conference.

5.5 A planning application has been made for the Lady of our Assumption Church "Change of Use" by Step Down Community Service. Representations should be made before Friday 5th June. This can be done on the GCC website using the search box facility entering "planning". Eleanor will write to the archdiocese and ask whether any money gained from either the sale or transfer of use will be allocated back in to the Ruchill Community.

6. Report from Projects

Ruchill Furniture (RF):

Funding has been applied for Lloyds TSB. After a meeting with Lloyds Eleanor said that the project has to get things in place before applying to that particular funding stream. Information was given to Eleanor about funding which would be more relevant

for the project

North United Communities: Will be delivering a summer programme of activities for young people in Ruchill.

7. Reports from Meetings

Thriving Places: Community gatherings event have been organised for 5th June 9.30am-11.30am at the golf course
9th June 6.00pm – 8pm at the golf course
11th June 6pm – 8pm at Ruchill Community Centre

Canal Partnership: Reports are available online.

Parkhill Residents Association: Minutes will be posted on the noticeboard in Ruchill Community Centre.

8.0 Correspondence:

8.1 Glasgow Caledonian University:
As part of Glasgow Science Festival the school of Health and Life Sciences at GCU will be giving a free public lecture called “How Do You Feel?” on 10 June

9.0 A.O.C.B.

9.1 Maryhill Housing Association applied to stalled spaces for the Ruchill Allotment site and was successful in their application. They have been awarded £2500 for some materials and gardening equipment.

9.2 Concerns were raised about the allocation of some of Maryhill Housing Associations properties. Dawn advised each applicant’s situation and points vary and individual applications can’t be discussed. Dawn recommended that the chairperson contacts Jennifer Simon who is the Housing Services manager to discuss the specific cases referred to. Tenant Scrutiny Panel is currently looking at the allocation policy which is likely to be changed due to changes in the law.

9.3 Issues were raised about lack of privacy/security at the reception area in MHA offices with tenants being asked to provide ID such as passports and bank statements. It was felt that this was inappropriate and customers should be taken into both when this information is being requested. Dawn will feed this back.

9.4 It was agreed that Eleanor Brown would write to Maryhill Housing Association requesting that the post of Customer Engagement Officer is made permanent.

10. Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 5th August 2015 6:30pm in Ruchill Community Centre, Bilsland Drive