#### Present:

Russell Kinnear
George McLachlan
Tracy-Jane McGinley
Sandra Kennedy
Clair McGinlay
Jill Irvine
Councillor Stewart Miller
Councillor Alan Lafferty
PC James McGoldrick

## **Apologies Received:**

Bob Smith Colm Merrick Evelyn Baxter

George McLachlan opened the meeting at 19:30

### 1) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20 MARCH 2017

None

Minutes Proposed by Clair McGinlay and Seconded by Jill Irvine

# 2) POLICE REPORT – 15 March to 14 April 2017

### **Assault & Violent Crime**

- A 22 year old male has been arrested and has appeared at court charged with serious assault following an incident at Sheddens roundabout in the early hours of 23 March. A private hire car driver was assaulted by a passenger.
- Officers are continuing to investigate a 'road rage' incident that occurred on 16 March in East Kilbride Road, Busby, whereby a 61 year old male was spat on.

# **Drug Dealing and Drug Use**

No Drugs Offences have been detected in the area during the period under review.

## **Drunk or Disorderly Behaviour**

 Calls from members of the public in relation to public disorder and disturbances remain very low. We have received two separate calls on different dates relating to disorder in Cartsbridge Road. On both occasions, officers attended within half an hour of the report being made. No other locations of note have been identified.

# **Housebreaking or Other Theft**

- Investigations are still ongoing in relation to the theft of a car during the early hours of the morning of 4 April at a dwelling house in Woodyett Road, Busby.
   Suspects have gained entry to the house and taken car keys before stealing the householder's car.
- No other housebreaking or thefts of note have been recorded
- Across the East Renfrewshire area as a whole we continue to receive reports of housebreaking and sneak in thefts whereby car keys and cars are stolen. We remind all residents not to leave car keys in plain view within their homes.
   Thieves will often target properties with high value / performance cars parked

outside. Our advice is to keep doors locked at all times, day and night, even when within. We also encourage residents to report any sightings of persons acting suspiciously in residential areas using the 101 telephone system.

### **Crime Prevention**

At this time of year we often see a rise in crimes relating to thefts of gardening power tools from sheds and garages. Please take the time to ensure that buildings such as these are properly secured. Consider fitting security lights and shed alarms to deter criminals.

We remind all residents to remain alert to Internet and Telephone Frauds. We continue to receive reports from persons across East Renfrewshire who have made direct cash transfers to unknown bank accounts or who have been encouraged to purchase vouchers and then share redemption codes with fraudsters. Legitimate businesses and government departments don't make phone calls to request immediate payments. If you have any doubts as to who you are speaking to, tell them you are not satisfied as to their identity and hang-up.

An incident occurred on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March at Riverside Gardens in the afternoon into the evening that was not included in the report and Tracy-Jane McGinley asked PC McGoldrick if he had any information – PC McGoldrick informed us that this is an ongoing police enquiry and confirmed that a man has been arrested and charged in connection with the recent robberies.

George McLachlan raised the issue of cars / parking at Busby Primary School – PC Bonsor took a note of this.

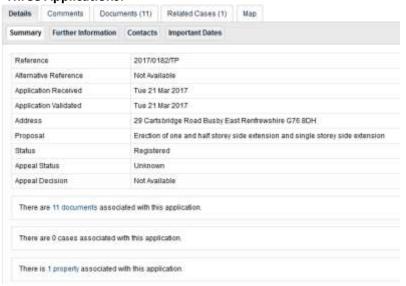
# 3) TREASURERS REPORT

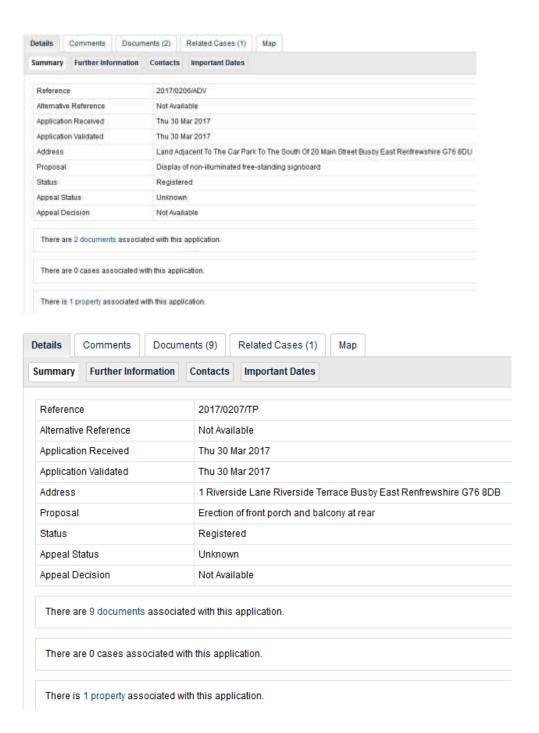
All expense claims have been processed, updated report was distributed – once audited the report will be submitted to ERC along with the request that we retain any unspent funds to go towards the Swing Park Project.

Report proposed by Sandra Kennedy and seconded by Jill Irvine.

# 4) PLANNING

## **Three Applications:**





Planning report proposed by Sandra Kennedy and seconded by Clair McGinlay

## 5) **CORRESPONDENCE**

- I. Email from local independent candidate
- II. Proposed local parking tariffs
- III. Care Collective ER Conversation Cafe
- IV. E-mail from Planning regarding website maintenance
- V. E-mail from Listening in relation to Place Standards Tools and attached results

Correspondence report proposed by Russell Kinnear and seconded by Jill Irvine

### 6) **COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

- I. Cllr Lafferty spoke about the council meeting of 2 weeks ago; things have been otherwise very quiet due to the upcoming election.
- II. Cllr Lafferty met with Richard Hainey regarding Bull Road and Richard agrees that everything should be cut right back not sure of timescales fro this.
- III. Cllr Lafferty also suggested to George McLachlan that he highlight the pavement at Bull Road to the Roads Department for future consideration.

### 7) COUNCILLORS' Q&A

I. Clair McGinlay asked if the Cllrs were aware of any complaints in relation to the new traffic light system at the Health Centre – the traffic lights are confusing drivers and are dangerous.

## 8) A.O.C.B.

### I. Play Park Project

Survey at Williamwood went really well, St Joseph's however not so well — only one of the completed surveys has a postcode, no comments have been included in any of them and it would appear as if most surveys have in fact been completed with the same pen and with a similar tick marking. Clair McGinlay will speak with Miss Hunter at Busby Primary School on Wednesday and we will look at the possibility of returning to St Joseph's once Busby is complete.

Facebook page continues to attract 'hits' and 'likes' every day.

We will apply for funding as soon as the consultation is complete; the lottery will be approached first followed by supermarkets. Russell will make enquires at Asda for us in relation to who would be the most appropriate person to contact.

II. AGM and Election of Office Bearers – will be held at 19:15 on 15 May