

KILSYTH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minute of meeting held on 20 June 2014 in Burngreen Hall

PRESENT:, Scott Johnston, Jim Hutchison, Margot MacMillan, Jean McLachlan, John Freebairn, Charles Coulthard, Janet Mckerral, George Barclay, Bill Craik.

ALSO PRESENT: Alan Stevenson.

Apologies: Jean Jones, Heather McVey, Pauline Patrick Karen Claire Voss John Smithston.

1. Scott Johnston chaired the meeting for election of office bearers.

Scott indicated that he was happy to continue to serve as Chairman of the Community Council. Scott was unanimously re elected. Also elected as office bearers were:

Jim Hutchinson – Deputy Chairman

Charles Coulthard – Treasurer

Janet Mckerral- Secretary

Scott thanked the office bearers and members for all their endeavours during the last year.

Margot MacMillan will continue to look after the web site and information for the Chronicle.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes held on the 19 June 2013.

The minutes were approved, proposed by Margot Macmillan and seconded by Bill Craik.

3. Treasurer's Report.

The Administration account currently stands at £1510.32 The Project account is unchanged at £462.69.

The project account requires audit and this is will be done by Jim Hutchinson and Bill Craik. Charles will bring accounts to the next meeting.

4. Chairman's Report.

Today's AGM marks the end of another annual session of Kilsyth Community Council during which we have continued to play an active and moreover pro-active role in the policy issues affecting Kilsyth.

We have played a major role in influencing some of the major Planning issues not least in our successful representation at the Planning Committee on the future use of the former Police Station. We continue to voice our concerns regarding some of Kilsyth's major gap sites which remain undeveloped and we look for ways to exert influence in this area. It now seems we are making progress towards an acceptable development of the former Police Station at Parkfoot Street and we are working closely with the developer to achieve a design fitting for this location.

Some of our unfulfilled ambitions remain outstanding and some of these, indeed, have become long term issues. The most major of which remains vacant retail units owned by ROK DCM and the traffic management in Kilsyth Main Street. While the success in these major issues continues to elude us for another year it is important that we hold steadfast to our principles and continue to lobby relentlessly.

In the current year we have witnessed further decline of the local printed press and no longer enjoy the publicity offered by the presence of a local newspaper reporter. It is therefore vitally important that we continue to develop up to date accessible electronic methods of communication with the Electorate. The upgrade of our Web presence and associated electronic communications will go some way to addressing this together with one of our Members agreeing to produce a monthly press release.

The year has seen us gain and loose members and we must ensure that we have a viable representative membership. I want to offer my sincere thanks to the loyalty of our current Membership, and for the all the time and effort they put into the work of the council.

Date of next meeting AGM will be 17 June 2015 at 7pm Burngreen Hall, Kilsyth