

**Garrowhill Community Council**

**Garrowhill Community Centre**

**Maxwell Drive**

**Wednesday 5th October 2016**

**AGM & Election Meeting**

**Present : Murray Packer (MP1), Maria Paterson (MP2), Dougie McCallum (DM), Andy Henderson (AH)**

**Lawrence O'Neill (LO), Cllr David Turner (DT), Elaine Ballantyne (EB), Peter Mortimer (PM)**

**Apologies : John Coutts (JC), John McEwan (JM), Bill McMaster (BM)**

**1a) The minutes of the last AGM (7<sup>th</sup> October 2105) were proposed by DM and seconded by AH**

**1b) Chairman's Annual Report : Nothing to report**

**1c) Treasurer's Report**

- **Report was distributed to the meeting covering the period 1/10/15 to 30/9/16**
- **LO confirmed he had discussions with DM concerning issues with the bank**

**The office bearers now formally demitted office and LO took the chair.**

**The following were elected to Garrowhill Community Council unopposed;**

**Murray Packer  
Maria Paterson  
Andy Henderson  
Dougie McCallum  
Bill McMaster  
John McEwan**

## Nominations for Office

**Chair : Murray Packer – proposed DM, seconded AH**

**Vice Chair : TBC**

**Secretary : Elaine Ballantyne (subject to usual checks) - proposed MP1, seconded DM**

**Treasurer : Dougie McCallum – proposed MP2, seconded AH**

**Area Partnership Rep : John McEwan – proposed AH, seconded MP1**

**Sub Partnership : Maria Paterson – proposed MP1, seconded DM**

**Planning : Andy Henderson – proposed MP1, seconded MP2**

**Licensing : Andy Henderson – proposed MP2, seconded DM**

**LO then covered;**

- **Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils**
- **Appointment of Independent Examiner of Accounts for next year**
- **Associate Member John Coutts**
- **Inventory and Additional Resources**
- **Date of next AGM – 4th October 2017**

**LO demitted office and handed over to MP1 having reminded the meeting that there still remains 4 vacant posts on the community council**

**LO will send out posters advertising vacancies for the community council, to be put up on display around the district (e.g. Co-op, Health Centre etc.)**

**5th October 2017  
Ordinary Meeting**

**Minutes from Previous Meeting**

**PM advised that he had not been included as having been in attendance**

**The minutes were proposed by MP2 and seconded by AH**

**Police Scotland**

**Not in attendance.**

**Roads & Lighting**

**AH reported the following;**

- **The drop off point at Garrowhill Primary School appears to be working well, although there still remains congestion in the area at peak times.**
- **It has been suggested that Bakewell Road is made one way to alleviate congestion in the area. Cllr Turner suggested seeking the views of residents in the area re this proposal.**
- **Glasgow Road : the safety barrier is missing a panel and is only covered by red and white barrier tape. This need to be replaced as a matter of urgency as the gap presents a high risk. Cllr Turner undertook to progress this matter. The elevated pavement has become overgrown again and covered in litter. Cllr Turner advised that the Greenfield depot is responsible for the Garrowhill area, and is under the control of LES.**

**Cllr Turner**

- **Maxwell Drive parking – the Council sent an officer who saw no breaches of cars on zig-zag lines. The view of the meeting was that this was particularly bad during the morning rush hour and school run.**
- **There appears to be an on-going issue with litter bins not being emptied**
- **Maxwell Drive : MP2 reported a lot of litter in the street**
- **An email had been received concerning the Post Office at Barrachnie, which will be closing temporarily as the postmistress is retiring.**
- **Community Hub Sports Centre is still awaiting money from house builders who had undertook to contribute to the project but to date**

have failed to do so. Funding could be sought elsewhere e.g the Lottery Fund, but this would only be a top up.

- NHS are proposing the closure of Lightburn Hospital.
- A report in the Evening Times highlighted that recently 700 tons of litter had been picked in the city.
- Cllr Turner issued a copy of his newsletter for September 2016 to the meeting.

### Planning

- Plans are believed to be in hand for the upper floor of The Clachan to become a sandwich bar.
- The Airdrie Savings Bank building is believed to becoming a restaurant.
- A Mediterranean restaurant is being fitted out in Baillieston.
- Baillieston Police Station : GHA have planning for 37 houses on the site, but it is believed no firm deal has yet been struck.

### Bank

DM stated that he had totally lost faith in the Bank of Scotland and asked the meeting if there were any objections to seeking another banking facility. No one had any objections so DM will explore our options, including a credit union.

### AOB

Nil

**Date of next meeting : Wednesday 2nd November 2016**