# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAINS ESTATE RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Held on Wednesday 14 April 2010 in Milngavie Community Centre at 7.30 p.m.

#### **Present**

Committee Mr I Petrie, Mrs E Gibson, Mrs R Hooper, Ms J Horn, Mrs S Longrigg, Mr J Kerr & Mrs E Adie.

In attendance - Provost E Gotts, Cllr B Binks, CSOs Allan Band and Michelle Nesbit

## **Apologies**

Cllr J Gibbons

## **Chairperson's Opening Remarks**

Ian Petrie welcomed everyone to the meeting

## **Minutes of Meeting on 17 February 2010**

These were proposed by Eleanor Adie & seconded by Jean Horn

#### **Matters Arising**

It was decided to hold the letter to the Chief Constable regarding policing in Milngavie, meantime.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The current balance of the account is £16,624.45. The bulk of this is made up as follows:- £10000 received from Awards for All for our park project

£1000 received from Milngavie Community Council for the park project £3000 received from EDC Community Grant Scheme

£670 received by way of donations from residents for the park project Also East Dunbartonshire Greenspace also currently hold £5000 from Tarmac which was donated to our park project.

Subscriptions have been received from 160 households.

Provost Gotts and Cllr Binks advised that the Association would be receiving £1000 from their Ward Fund and they were duly thanked for this donation to our park project.

The MERA Accounts are being audited by Mr Bob Cuthbertson

#### Park Update

We are awaiting the response from WREN which shall not be until late May 2010. Thereafter we shall be able to progress matters with EDC.

#### **Residential Matters**

The improvement to the section of Hunter Rd was noted and it is hoped that the rest of the Road will be resurfaced at some point. Provost Gotts advised that the Council now have funding for the widening of Hunter Road in the region of £200,000 and matters should progress now.

Several issues were raised with the CS Officers namely dog fouling, litter etc and they have confirmed that they shall and have been patrolling the area. Unfortunately, they have not been able to issue fines. However, the public can also contact them direct and report offenders anonymously.\_

The opportunity was taken to note our concern that the CSOs were being reduced from 11 to 3 and we wished them well and thanked them for the excellent work they do. It is understood that the Crime Prevention Panel are getting a petition together stating that the Officers should be retained and not be the latest victim of the budget cuts.

#### **AOCB**

#### Tesco

Provost Gotts advised that the Tesco application had been rejected by the Council at their recent meeting. We shall await a response.

#### **Public Toilets**

A petition is in circulation and it is hoped that the closure of these facilities can be reversed. It is understood that the Traders in Milngavie are also doing what they can to save this resource

#### WHW/Tourist Information Centre

Cllr Binks advised that this Centre should open in May 2010 and will be operated by a Walking Tour Operator. 25% of the floor space will be dedicated to Tourist Information.

#### Fire Station Field

Outline planning permission is being sought for this field and it is hoped that there will be improvements to the roundabout and perhaps even planning gain towards our park improvements. 40% of this development will be social housing. The planning committee propose to have a site visit for this application.

### Kilmardinny Development

Provost Gotts advised that EDC and Cala could not reach agreement and as there is now no legal agreement the matter is referred back to the Reporter.

## Surrounding Area

A roundabout will be created at the T junction past Windyhill Golf Club. This should be a good improvement.

There is also a development proposed at Craigton village comprising of housing and small commercial units.

As our AGM is on 27 May it was decided we shall just issue a short flyer with a few bullet points. It was thought that it might be worthwhile to invite Chief Super. McNulty to the AGM and perhaps the new MP after the election.

Sarah reminded everyone to give her information to put onto the website.

# **Correspondence**

At the last meeting of the Community Council it was indicated that they were looking for new members and their AGM is on 5 May 2010.

# **Dates of Next Meeting**

AGM on 27 May 2010