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BRIGHTONS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Brightons Community Council aims to improve the amenities and quality of life for people in Brighton & Hove and to encourage community participation. They are a constituted group of volunteers with strong networks with Falkirk Council, police, government and environmental agencies. We welcome individuals or groups who may wish to seek help, raise concerns or hear about issues affecting Brighton/Hove. Our meetings are non political, informal and open to everyone. Feel free to take a copy of these minutes, email us or attend any of our meetings, held on the last Thursday of each month, in the community centre hall behind the church buildings.

MINUTES OF MEETING Incorporating Agenda for Next Meeting

HELD AT: Brighton Community Hall

DATE: 27 January 2017

PRESENT: Tom Grieve, Moira Heeps, Peter Queen, A Cross, 3 members of public, J Shepherd, Cllr Hughes, Rab Barry, PC Steven Lorimer

APOLOGIES: J Alexander, Cllr Murray

MINUTES: The minutes of Nov 2016 were noted & accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Welcome: TG opened the meeting, wishing everyone a good new year.

Police Report:

95 calls. Incidents included traffic penalties, attempted break-in, theft and drugs warrants/arrests following lengthy surveillance and intelligence gathering.

The officers are working well with the Braes School and encouraged by the interaction with the younger citizens.

There was a recent knife incident, though details or evidence were insufficient to progress.

Police Scotland have an on line survey to get your views on the police, open to public -

www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts

Community Safety Team reported 38 ASB reports for the East area which includes Britons.

These included dog fouling, Fly tipping and youth issues. They continue to engage with the youths encouraging good citizenship. Low levels of complaints support this work.

Community Safety Team 0808 100 3161

Ring 101 for non emergencies.

PC Lorimer can be left messages via phoning 101, his number being 196.

The community officer Sergeant craig.heron@scotland.pnn.police.uk

TREASURER'S REPORT: BofS statement at 19/10/16 was £1085.85

CORRESPONDENCE was placed on the table and discussed with those present.

Planning Applications: Domestic applications only, petrol station re-opened

A.O.C.B.

- Braes High Cluster** Updates received on the networking initiative of all the local schools sharing and building best practices.
- Litter @ pub/bus stop** FDC have advised no more bins will be installed on Waggon Rd
- Defibrillator** Free resuscitation training for the public. PQ attended last session. The level of training was excellent and covered a lot of information. Uptake has been poor however.
- BT Building** BT advised maintenance / painting etc will be carried out in spring.
- Hedges** Many have been trimmed however G Hughes will request more are trimmed in Park Av, due to over hang. Cllr Hughes also advised of unofficial tree cutting which had caused concern. Investigation revealed some local residents had agreed to get a contractor to manage some trees in open ground, as neither FDC nor the house builder had responsibility
- Lamp Posts** FDC reported the lighting is within spec and regulation guidelines. However the changed position of the posts has caused some difficulties as domestic paths are not being illuminated. M.Heeps will enquire further.
- Grange Centre** Public meeting was held, though no information from FDC was given as to definite decisions. Likely to be more information +outcomes after March budgets.
- Housing Repairs** to Randolph Crescent. FDC repairs are underway and welcomed, though the materials and equipment is being stored at community centre car park causing disruption and damage to surface.
- Planning System Scotland** Scottish Govt. has issued a consultation on future planning system. More information, including how to get involved in the consultation, can be found at <https://consult.scotland.gov.uk/planning-architecture/a-consultation-on-the-future-of-planning/>
- Utilities Works** Concern was raised about the continued lack of notice given ahead of road works being done.
- Drainage** FDC have carried out welcome ditch clearing in near Gardrum Burn in Rumford
- Lord Lieutenant Retiral** Invite received. TG will attend.
- Smart Meters** Information rec'd advising equipment and mast being installed on the BT building.

With no further business to discuss for the meeting was brought to a close.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE 23 February at 7pm.

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