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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 Brightons & Rumford 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 Brightons/Rumford. 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: Brightons Community Hall

DATE: 27 July 2017

PRESENT: TGrieve, A Cross, J Shepherd, Moira Heeps, Peter Queen, 2 members of public,

APOLOGIES: R Barrie, Mrs Alexander, PC Lorimer, Cllrs Kerr, Hughes & Cllr McLuckie, A Ure, G.Mason.

PQ & B+VNapier next time,

MINUTES: The minutes of June 2017 were noted & accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Welcome: TG opened the meeting.

Police Report:

PC Lorimer has been involved with court issues therefore has been unable to attend meetings, but is of course available in the community, his report highlighted 33 calls to the police. 5 reported crimes. Relating to housebreaking (Waterside Gdns area), neighbour disputes, noise complaints, domestic incidents, concern for persons and youth disorder (Ercal woods). Additional patrols around Ercal Rd, to deter antisocial (footballs against walls etc) behaviour. Tickets continue to be issued for motoring offences.

Neighbourhood Watch. The police have started using community alerts when crimes seem to be on the rise or criminals are in particular areas – eg bogus workmen or missing persons etc. It has proved very worthwhile, so BCC will sign up to this initiative with the Police and Neighbour Hood Watch. NHW have also been invited to the BCC - Willie Clark confirmed for presentation Thursday 28th September 2017.

Anti social behaviour – dog fouling and nucense etc can be reported to Community Safety Team 0808 100 3161. Who continue to issue penalty notices in the area.

Ring 101 for non emergencies.

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

The community Sergeant is Jim Dougal jim.dougal@scotland.pnn.police.uk

TREASURER'S REPORT: BofS statement at 10/5/17 was £925.85 unchanged.

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

Planning Applications: Container in Rumford. This has since been granted planning.

A.O.C.B.

Hall ongoing discussions with FDC. Personal committee Public insurance to be taken out – FDC advised this is best practice. Further updates will be advised. FDC are keen to transfer a 15yr lease to the hall committee.

Large Good Vehicles - Park Avenue. Signage hopefully being installed. Updates to follow

Road/Pavement repairs some drains in Redding Road continue to be blocked.

BT Building BT have advised they will confirm works schedules.

Quarry Park beds MH awaiting feedback from justice dept.

Depot in quarry park FDC have been asked to repair the surface to car park. Fencing has been repaired and waiting FDC to advise on surface repairs.

School awards Primary and High School are delighted to accept £25 each. Cheques to be sent on new school yr.

Cairn in Park FDC have repaired it , so good to see back.

CrossgateHead Rd Large potholes and no entry signage req'd with overgrown hedges obscuring One Way signs near Briar Brae. FdC to be contacted.

Ercall Rd & Woods Tidy ups have taken place in various areas.

Hanging Baskets poor watering by shops means the plants are struggling, which is a real shame as these are an effective way to enhance the village, not least the time, cost and effort by volunteers.
Adopt a hanging basket idea was suggested, along with flower beds.

Newlands Rd Roundabout is getting over grown and vegetation is restricting view for pedestrians crossing.
Signs at Roundabout are discoloured

Church Minister Campbell is leaving Brightons Church.

Traffic Speed A resident has raised concerns of traffic speed in Maddiston Road and enquired as to traffic calming possibilities.
It was noted the radars have been used in the past on this stretch along with traffic counters. Earlier assessments of traffic did not warrant traffic calming measures. An update would be requested from the Police & FDC.

Masonic Lodge Are considering a fund raising project to provide a defibrillator in the village, which would be a welcome asset. Details to follow.

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

NEXT MEETING WILL BE 31 August at 7pm.