

MINUTES OF MEETING

Title: Houston Community Council Meeting June 2016 **Ref.:** HCC 06/2016
Location: Carrick Centre, Main Street, Houston **Date:** 15/06/16
Time: 7.30 p.m. **Sheet** 1 of 5

Present:	Representing:	HCC Position:
John McEvoy (jmc)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Chair
Helen Parker (hp)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Vice Chair
David Dunlop (dd)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Treasurer
Janet Mason (jm)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Sandra Brown (sb)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Jake Fulton (jf)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Sandy Bulloch (sb)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Mark Arthur (ma)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	

In Attendance:	Representing:
Councillor Alan Noon (an)	Renfrewshire Council (RC)
Councillor Stuart Clark (sc)	Renfrewshire Council (RC)
Sergeant Kenny Price (kp)	Police Scotland (PS)
Constable Davie Bell (db)	Police Scotland (PS)

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Minutes taken by: Mark Arthur **Chaired by:** John McEvoy

Notes

1. Two additional residents attended the meeting to primarily discuss the Boundaries Commission and the proposed cycle track.
2. Two members of Bridge of Weir Community Council attended the meeting to discuss the proposed BofW to Houston Heritage Walk / potential cycle track.

Item		Action	Date Due
1.00	Apologies		
	Apologies were extended by the above noted people.	Note	
2.00	Approval of Previous Minutes		
	The minutes of HCC meeting held on 18 th May were agreed as a true record of that meeting (proposed Janet Mason and seconded by Sandra Brown) and can subsequently be issued to Renfrewshire Council and uploaded to the HCC website.	Note	
3.00	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes		
	Refer to the HCC action list attached.	Note	

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4.00	Police Report (Sergeant Kenny Price left the meeting after giving the Police Report)		
4.01	Refer to Appendix A for Sergeant Price's report with 12 No. incidents leading to 5 No. criminal offences reported in the month. Sergeant Price explained the circumstances behind each offence with no further actions required by HCC.	Note	
4.02	Anti-Social Behaviour at Co-op – Cllr Clark asked Police Scotland to look into the increased anti-social behaviour at the Co-op / shops.	PS	ASAP
4.03	Traffic Calming Measures – John McEvoy asked who would be the main point of contact in Police Scotland to discuss traffic calming measures. Sgt Price confirmed HCC should contact Renfrewshire Council in the first instance.	Note	
4.04	Fire at South Mound – Cllr Noon asked if this fire was connected to recent fires in Linwood. Sgt Price confirmed to his knowledge they are not connected.	Note	
4.05	Turning from Main Street into North and South Street – John McEvoy asked Sgt Price if it was against the law to do a 3 point turn at these locations. Sgt Price confirmed no, as long as they were carried out in a safe manner.	Note	
5.00	Councillors' Report Councillor Clark gave the following verbal report.		
5.01	LAC Funding – Cllr Clark congratulated HCC in gaining funds for Xmas lights and floral displays along with Ardgyffe Park and Houston Boys Club.	Note	
5.02	Broadband – Cllr Clark confirmed Virgin Media have selected Houston along with another 3 locations in Scotland to roll out their next generation of broadband connectivity.	Note	
5.03	New Fencing at Main Roundabout – Cllr Clark confirmed it was a big improvement.	Note	
5.04	Main Roundabout Recent Accidents – Cllr Clark confirmed the Council are looking to erect crash barriers at a certain area which is prone to accidents.	Note	
5.05	Rayburn Avenue – Cllr Clark confirmed the Council are looking at potentially erecting speed limit signs.	Note	
5.06	Deer Crossing Georgetown Road – Cllr Clark confirmed due to an increase in deer crossing the Georgetown Road the Council have made contact with BAE to establish if the large residential development at Bishopton may be causing this increased activity.	Note	
5.07	Boundaries Commission – Cllr Clark thanked the HCC for their support and this was seconded by a local resident in attendance.	Note	

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5.08	Houston Litter Clean Up – Cllr Clark asked Jake if there are any issues with Renfrewshire Council's support in collecting the bags. Jake confirmed no issues and communications are good.	Note	
5.09	Labour Candidate Next Year at Elections – Cllr Clark confirmed he would not be re-standing and stepping down. Councillor Noon gave the following verbal report.	Note	
5.10	SNP Candidate at May Re-Election – Cllr Noon confirmed likewise he shall also not be re-standing and shall be stepping down.	Note	
5.11	Houston Field Quadrant – Cllr Noon mentioned the traffic issues at Houston Field Quadrant and this should be considered by HCC traffic sub-committee.	HCC	ASAP
6.00	Chairman's Report Please refer to Appendix B for the Chairman's report with the following items noted.		
6.01	Drains – John confirmed he will chase up the Council regarding drainage and street lighting If he has not received a satisfactory response by late June / early July.	HCC/jmc	Late June / early July
7.00	Treasurer's Report Please refer to Appendix C for the Treasurers Report with the following items noted.		
7.01	The account balance sits at £2,275.64.	Note	
7.02	The account balance does not take into account monies received from the Houston Agricultural Show and monies expended on a 5 gallon drum and at Gowanlea Garden Centre.	Note	
8.00	Matters to be Discussed at June's HCC Meeting		
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9.05	Japanese Knotweed River Gryffe behind Riverside Road – Mark raised this issue and Jake / Sandy confirmed this has been reported to RC	Note	

Next Meeting: HCC May Meeting

Date / Time: Wednesday 21st September 2016

Meeting closed by Chairperson, John McEvoy, at 9.50pm

Note – There will be no HCC meeting in the months of July and August.

Houston Community Council Meeting

Action List / Log

ID No.	Description	Owner	Date Due	Status
1.0	<p>Police Report</p> <p>John McEvoy asked about SMART Water project. Police says it is being trialled in Langbank. Smart water is basically property marking. Police offered to discuss this with the committee at a separate meeting if they wished. Feeling of committee was to wait and see how it fairs in Langbank.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – WIP and Sgt Mack shall give HCC feedback in due course)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – Insp Glass confirmed the smart water kits have been ordered for Langbank and feedback / progress shall be reported in due course.)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – WIP)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – WIP)</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – PS confirmed launched last week in Langbank).</p>	PS	ASAP	
2.0	<p>Replacement lights required on big roundabout near shops, Allan Noon is trying to get them replaced.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – Cllr Noon shall give an update at March's meeting)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – Cllr Noon was not present to give an update)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – Cllr Noon was not present to give an update.)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – WIP)</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – Cllr Noon confirmed still ongoing)</p>	RC/an	Sept 2016	
3.0	<p>Update on walk bridge over River Gryffe - Taylor Woodrow own wooden bridge over River Gryffe – Renfrewshire Council are in talks with Taylor Woodrow about maintenance and repair. However it has been repaired by Taylor Woodrow recently. It is a safe walking route to school and was erected 30 years ago. It was noted that the main road is very busy and not a desirable route for children to use to go to School. Hence there is a definite need for the bridge to get kids to school safely. Councillor Noon said children might be bussed.</p> <p>J McEvoy asked how we could help. It was suggested HCC write to Taylor Woodrow. This could be covered by Corporate Social Liability. Stuart Clark says he will send contact details for Taylor Woodrow.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – HCC/jmc confirmed</p>	HC/jmc	Reviewed at September's HCC Meeting	

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	<p>he has sent an email to Taylor Woodrow and they have replied confirming they are currently in ongoing discussions with Renfrewshire Council. Agreed HCC to monitor progress and chase up if no formal response to maintenance of the bridge is confirmed in the near future)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – No update from Messrs Taylor Woodrow. WIP)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – No update. WIP)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – No update from Taylor Woodrow. WIP)</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – John confirmed no change)</p>			
4.0	<p>3 remote footpaths, Gryffebank Resident Association, not adopted by Council – drains in some of these. There is also lighting – Council will look after lighting. Paths from Gryffebank through to Locher will not be maintained by the Council. Janet Mason will attend the Woodside residents Association meeting on the 2nd February to give a HCC point of view.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – HCC/jm confirmed the residents are looking out their title deeds and agreed in the interim HCC/jmc shall write to Renfrewshire Council noting our concerns. HCC/cm to confirm the exact names of all affected paths so John can capture in his letter)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – As per the Chairman's report a letter has been sent to Mr Scott Allan RC Roads Department with no response to date. Furthermore Cllr Clark shall write to Mr Allan to try and help resolve this matter.)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – As per the Chairman's report the Council would appear to be willing to take ownership of the paths after repairs are made by the local residents. WIP)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – The chairman of the Locher Residents Association confirmed at the meeting that Renfrewshire Council have replied to him in writing confirming they shall not adopt the footpath. Agreed John McEvoy shall write to the Council requesting a 3 way meeting between all parties.)</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – No change.)</p>	HCC/jmc	ASAP and update at September's HCC meeting	
5.0	<p>Traffic Issues</p> <p>Elizabeth Dalgetty suggested changing HCC name to include Crosslee – a discussion took place but committee decided on status quo.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – Agreed a smaller</p>	Closed	Closed	

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	<p>prioritised plan is required before we approach Renfrewshire Council's Roads Department and Police Scotland outlining our concerns. Agreed HCC/jmc, HCC/ed and JCC/hp shall form a sub committee to progress with HCC/ed being the lead for the time being)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – As per the Chairman's report a meeting has been held and it was agreed David Dunlop shall join the sub-committee with a detailed review to be carried out at April's HCC meeting.)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – Agreed to discuss after the May election)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – To be discussed at June's HCC Meeting).</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – As discussed in main meeting. Closed)</p>			
6.0	<p>Waste Disposal</p> <p>Mark Arthur suggested requesting statistics on flytipping just now and then 6 months later.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – Agreed HCC/jmc to issue a FOI request covering the last 12 months)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – As per the Chairperson's report a FOI request to RC has confirmed 372 No. incidents of fly-tipping occurred in Renfrewshire over the 12 month period ending 31st January 2016. Agreed to do a further FOI request on 6 monthly or annual basis.)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – WIP)</p> <p>(Update 18/05/16 – WIP)</p> <p>(Update 15/06/16 – Agreed to submit another FOI for the period up to 31st July)</p>	HCC/jmc	Update September's HCC Meeting	
7.0	<p>Yew Tree</p> <p>Janet Mason – Janet will set up a sub-committee to investigate current state of Yew Tree and how best to proceed to protect this Houston attraction.</p> <p>(Update 17/02/16 – HCC/jm confirmed she awaits a response from the Forestry Commission regarding their plans to maintain this tree and the surrounding areas / grounds.)</p> <p>(Update 16/03/16 – Forestry Commission have been in touch and shall confirm a date to meet at the tree in the near future.)</p> <p>(Update 20/04/16 – Janet confirmed the Forestry Commission have visited the site and are also showing interest in an old walnut tree. Janet also mentioned a</p>	HCC/jm	Update at September's HCC Meeting	

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	<p>funding opportunity may be possible via the Big Lottery Fund.) (Update 18/05/16 – Janet confirmed a second grant funding application has been submitted for the Yew Tree via the Big Lottery Fund) (Update 15/06/16 – No update / change in funding status).</p>			
8.0	<p>Farmers Market Caroline Wengel will investigate possibility of HCC hosting a farmers market, possibly in Carrick Centre Car Park. (Update 17/02/16 – Agreed HCC/cw to give an update regarding process at next month's HCC Meeting.) (Update 16/03/16 – No update available. WIP.) (Update 20/04/16 – No update available. WIP) (Update 18/05/16 – Agreed to target spring/summer 2017 and progress discussions with the farmers market in the interim) (Update 15/06/16 – Agreed to discuss at September's HCC Meeting)</p>	All	Discuss at September's HCC Meeting	
9.0	<p>Cycle Path Carol Murray suggested investigating possible creation of cycle paths linking to main cycle path. At present this is aspirational due to funding cuts but asked could we create cycle paths in sections (as funds permit). (Update 17/02/16 – HCC/jmc confirmed he has drafted a response to Renfrewshire Council's "Outdoor for You" questionnaire and after review all present agreed happy for John to submit his thoughts on behalf of HCC with a key focus on linking isolated communities. This should include HCC/ma's comments about basic improvements and maintenance of existing pathways connecting the various parts / areas of Houston. (Update 16/03/16 – As per the Chairman's report a response has been sent on behalf of HCC and a request for Dr Kate Cuthbert to attend the HCC May or June meeting to discuss further.) (Update 20/04/16 – As per the Chairman's report Dr Kate Cuthbert shall attend the June HCC meeting) (Update 18/05/16 – Agreed a member of Bridge of Weir Community Council shall attend the June HCC Meeting to discuss</p>	Closed	Closed	

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	the benefits to both Houston and BofW) (Update 15/06/16 – Closed)			
10.0	New Roundabout at Residential Development on Outskirts of Brookfield – Agreed HCC/jmc should write back to Brookfield community Council stating we shall monitor traffic flow with keen interest and support them if this becomes an issue for the wider community around Bridge of Weir, Houston, Kilmacolm, Linwood, Kilbarchan, Brookfield and Quarriers Village. (Update 16/03/16 – As per the Chairman’s report item 5 under communications, stating we shall monitor developments. Agreed to leave on action log.) (Update 20/04/16 – WIP) (Update 18/05/16 – Agreed John McEvoy shall contact Brookfield Community Council to see if they need any support) (Update 15/06/16 – Closed)	Closed	Closed	
11.0	Design of Christmas Lights – HCC/ma confirmed the company he works for shall do the design and tender documents free of charge and shall liaise with Renfrewshire Council to agree consultation, approvals and procurement issues. Agreed the design shall require HCC approval and potentially a wider community engagement via a consultation at the Carrick Centre. (Update 16/03/16 – Mark confirmed RC do not need a competitive tender process therefore might be best to get Blachere illuminations to do a design and install contract. Agreed Mark to get quote based on this.) (Update 20/04/16 – WIP with quote due early May.) (Update 18/05/16 – Quote awaited from Messrs Blachere Illumination and Janet Mason handed Mark Arthur a brochure from another potential supplier.) (Update 15/06/16 – Mark confirmed the Fox and Hounds and Houston Inn shall part fund the school’s competition and Mark is in discussions with a contractor regarding the install Cllr Clark confirmed we may get a similar deal as per Linwood whereupon RC erected free of charge for 3 years. MA to progress and provide update to HCC in September)	HCC/ma	To be reviewed at September’s HCC Meeting	
12.0	Yearly Calendar – HCC/ma proposed a	HCC/jmc &	September	

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	<p>yearly calendar is adopted to ensure we capture important matters at the correct time / period during the year. All agreed in principle and planner to be developed and discussed at the next meeting. (Update 16/03/16 – No progress made in the month.) (Update 20/04/16 – No progress made in the month.) (Update 18/05/16 – No progress made in the month. Items for decision / calendar to be closed out ASAP) (Update 15/06/16 – No progress)</p>	HCC/ma	ASAP/Urgent	
13.0	<p>Point 1 Crosslee Road Boy Racers and Fly Tipping – Concerns were raised about both with fly tipping being covered elsewhere in the meeting. Inspector Glass shall liaise with RC Roads Department to request signage clearly confirming the speed limit and Police Scotland asked all residents on the road to contact them immediately when this occurs again and where possible to take note of registration numbers. (Update 20/04/16 – Constable McCrudden confirmed that Crosslee Road is getting extra attention. No update on speed limit signage.) (Update 18/05/16 – WIP) (Update 15/06/16 – PS confirmed needs to be progressed via RC in the first instance. Agreed to add to Traffic Committee)</p>	Closed	Closed	
14.0	<p>Asset Register – Mark suggested creating an Asset register to keep track of existing and new assets. Agreed to discuss at April's HCC meeting. (Update 20/04/16 – No progress made.) (Update 18/05/16 – WIP) (Update 15/06/16 – No change /progress made)</p>	All	September's HCC Meeting	
15.0	<p>Lack of Bins – Agreed Cllr Clark shall speak to the Council to see if additional bins could be strategically sited to prevent litter build up happening / occurring after clean ups. (Update 18/05/16 – No update at meeting. WIP) (Update 15/06/16 – Cllr Clark confirmed RC reverted back stating sufficient provision of bins and therefore he has requested a meeting with RC to discuss further).</p>	RC/sc	ASAP	
16.0	<p>Litter Fixed Penalty Charge Signage – Agreed additional signage should be more visible around the Co-op. Agreed to</p>	Closed	Closed	

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	look into where this signage would be purchased / acquired at May's HCC meeting. (Update 18/05/16 – WIP) (Update 15/06/16 – Jake confirmed he has met RC and suggested signs are actually counter productive. All agreed after discussion. Closed)			
17.0	Fence at River Inn in Poor Condition – Agreed Cllr Clark to speak off line after meeting with Jenny to establish exact problem. (Update 18/05/16 – Jenny confirmed Taylor Woodrow fence. Agreed to discuss at June's HCC meeting) (Update 15/06/16 – Cllr Clark confirmed RC have contacted Taylor Woodrow and await a response.)	RC/sc	Update September's HCC Meeting	
18.0	Existing Planters – Agreed Jenny can progress with getting quotes for plants and soil and thereafter John Chambers shall arrange payment. (Update 18/05/16 – Jenny confirmed quote available and shall review with John Chambers and John McEvoy for payment. All agreed in principle to proceed with a circa £650 spend) (Update 15/06/16 – Closed)	Closed	Closed	
19.0	Drains – John confirmed he has received no satisfactory closure to his phone calls and it was agreed that should the repair works not be carried out within the next week John should write to the Council. (Update 15/06/16 – WIP)	HCC/jmc	June / early July 2016	
20.0	Gryffe high Assembly and litter pick up initiative – John shall be happy to speak to the pupils at assembly. (Update 15/06/16 – No change. WIP)	HCC/jmc	ASAP	
21.0	Burn clean up at Main Street Stone Bridge – Mark confirmed he has authority from the Housing Inn and Fox and Hounds to arrange a litter clean up around the burn at the bottom of the car parks including tree pruning. Agreed to proceed with this on Sunday 12 th June at 10.00am. Mark to arrange. (Update 15/06/16 – Mark confirmed it went well and next clean up to be scheduled for the summer and put on the HCC facebook page)	HCC/ma	ASAP	
22.0	Schedule for litter clean up – Agreed it would be a good idea to produce a schedule identifying target areas. To be discussed at June's meeting. (Update 15/06/16 – Jake confirmed not	Closed	Closed	

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APPENDIX A

Kenny Price

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 14 June 2016 10:29
To: Kenny Price
Subject: Houston and Crosslee up to 14th June.

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HOUSTON/CROSSLIE BEAT 34/35 - 18/05/2016 to 14/06/2016

CRIME/OFFENCE	NUMBER	DETECTED	ADDITIONAL NOTES
Serious Assault			
Common Assault	1	0	[REDACTED] in house with B.ofP. <i>family</i>
Robbery			
Theft X HB /Attempt Theft x hb			
HBWI/Attempt HBWI			
Theft x OLP/Att. Theftxolp			
Theft of motor vehicle/Attempt			
Theft from m.v./olp to m.v			
Theft by shoplifting	2	1	2 x soft drinks
Theft/Attempted theft			
C.J.L.s38/BofP	2	1	2 x domestic
Vandalism	1	0	1 x car
RTA offences	1	1	1 x speeding

Street drinking	1	1	
MDA offences	1	1	1 x cannabis
Breach of bail			
Fraud	2	0	1 x taxi fraud & common assault
wilful fireraising	1	0	1 x fence & tree
		0	
TOTAL	12	5	

Please Note that the statistics above may not include crimes still to be processed at the time of collation. Also, any crimes listed under "Other" may be listed this way for anonymity

APPENDIX B

Houston Community Council Chairman's Report 15 June 2016

1. We were successful in being awarded grants from the LAC for £6,000 and £5,000 respectively for our flower displays and Christmas lights.
2. Our bottle stall at the Houston Agricultural Show raised £394.60 for community council funds. This included £20.00 donation from Jason at the Fox and Hounds / River Inn and a Mrs McLennan who handed £10.00 to Jake as a thank you for removing rubbish. Have delivered thank you cards to Mrs McLennan and all local businesses that contributed.
3. The out of action street lights in the village centre have now been repaired.
4. Emailed Renfrewshire Council about lack of action on clearing blocked drains 3 months after initially reporting them. The customer service advisor responded saying that she had forwarded the email to the Service Co-ordination Manager, but since I have had no response I've had to email again asking for his or her name so that I can contact them directly.
5. Have spoken to Renfrewshire Council Roads Department and the chairmen of Locher and Gryfebank Residents' Associations with a view to setting up a meeting. Have also emailed RC Roads Dept suggesting dates for a site visit and a meeting with residents. Nothing heard. Reminder sent.
6. Along with Jake Fulton I had a very fruitful meeting with Dr. Kate Cuthbert, RC Outdoor Access Officer. She agreed with our plan to investigate a joint project with Bridge of Weir C.C. and suggested that we set up a joint subcommittee as well as possible sources of funding, other local bodies that we could engage with, and that we identify owners of the path (possibly Elderslie Estates, who will confirm with me if they are the owners.)
7. Have arranged meeting with Derek MacKay, MSP on 1st July.
8. Our successful campaign to overturn the Local Government Boundaries Commission proposal to split Houston between two electoral wards was given an honourable mention in today's Gazette newspaper.

APPENDIX C

Houston Community Council

Treasurer's Report

18 May to 03 June 2016

Opening Balance	£2766.50
Period Income	£0.00
Expenditure	
Website Domain Renewal Fee	£85.00
Card Payment J Chambers (Reimburse)	
Mc Laren's Plants	£405.86
Closing Balance	£2275.64

Notes

No account taken above for income from Houston Show.