

MINUTES OF MEETING

Title: Houston Community Council Meeting October 2016 **Ref.:** HCC 10/2016
Location Carrick Centre, Main Street, Houston **Date:** 19/10/16
Time: 7.30 p.m. **Sheet** 1 of 4

Present:	Representing:	HCC Position:
John McEvoy (jmc)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Chair
John Chambers (jc)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Treasurer
Carol Murray (cm)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	Vice Chair
Jake Fulton (jf)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Sandy Bulloch (sb)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Gordon Wright (gw)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
David Dunlop (dd)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Janet Mason (jm)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Sharon Chambers (sc)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Elizabeth Dalgetty (ed)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Helen Parker (hp)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Kathy McFall (km)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	
Mark Arthur (ma)	Houston Community Council (HCC)	

In Attendance:	Representing:
Provost Anne Hall (ah)	Renfrewshire Council (RC)
Sergeant Alan Mack (am)	Police Scotland (PS)
Jenny Cowan	Local Resident

Apologies:	Representing:
Councillor Allan Noon (an)	Renfrewshire Council (RC)
Councillor Stuart Clark (sc)	Renfrewshire Council (RC)

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Minutes taken by: Mark Arthur Chaired by: John McEvoy

Notes

- Sharon Chambers left the meeting at 7.45pm
- Provost Anne Hall left the meeting at 8.20pm

Item		Action	Date Due
1.00	Apologies		
	Apologies were extended by the above noted people.	Note	
2.00	Approval of Previous Minutes		
	With exception to the attendance being adjusted to reflect Jim Chambers, Sharon Chambers, Gordon Wright and Kathy Hall being present the minutes of HCC meeting held on 21 st September were agreed as a true record of that meeting (proposed Carol Murray and seconded by Sandy Bulloch) and can subsequently be issued to Renfrewshire Council and uploaded to the HCC website.	Note	

Item		Action	Date Due
3.00	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes		
	Refer to the HCC action list attached.	Note	
4.00	Police Report (Sergeant Alan Mack left the meeting after giving the Police Report)		
4.01	Refer to Appendix A for Sergeant Mack's report with 9 No. incidents leading to 8 No. criminal offences reported in the period between 21 st September and 18 th October. Sergeant Mack explained the circumstances behind each offence with no further actions required by HCC and no further questions raised by HCC.	Note	
5.00	Councillor's / MP's Report		
	Provost Hall gave the following verbal report.		
5.01	Monte Carlo Rally Visiting Paisley – The launch for this event has started.	Note	
5.02	The Provost Community Awards – Provost Hall confirmed the importance behind this award.	Note	
5.03	The Provost's Role – Provost Hall confirmed one of the main roles is to be the link between the local communities and the council.	Note	
6.00	Chairman's Report		
	Please refer to Appendix B for the Chairman's report with the following items noted.		
6.01	Lampposts not Suitable for Christmas Lights – It was agreed to relocate 2 No. motifs to 2 No. lampposts heading towards the Village Hall and Carrick Centre.	Note	
6.02	Traffic Survey – Provost Hall asked John to email her directly about how we should progress the outcome of the survey.	HCC/jmc	ASAP
6.03	Provost's Community Awards 2016-2-17 – It was agreed to progress with Jake Fulton's nomination with Jenny Cowan to assist John in completing the necessary paperwork.	HCC/jmc	ASAP
6.04	Weekly Planning List – It was agreed, after discussion, that David Dunlop shall prepare an objection for the Neuk Crescent application and David shall liaise with Brookfield and Johnstone Community Council regarding Paton's Mill application.	HCC/dd	ASAP
7.00	Treasurer's Report		
	Please refer to Appendix C for the Treasurers Annual Accounts Report with the following items noted.		
7.01	The account balance sits at £13,365.54	Note	

Item		Action	Date Due
8.00	Matters to be Discussed at October's HCC Meeting		
8.01	Update on Craigends Yew – Await the outcome from the vote for Scotland's Tree of the Year with voting still open.	Note	
8.02	Update on Christmas Lights – Contractor shall be doing the wiring / cabling works soon with motifs being erected nearer the end of November. A fireworks display has also been arranged and it was agreed Mark shall seek assurances that all permissions have been approved.	HCC/ma	ASAP
8.03	Update on Micro Hydro Scheme – Instruction has been given and feasibility report should be issued by the end of the year.	Note	
8.04	Possibility of Twinning Houston – Agreed after discussion David shall look into this along with potential European locations twinned with Renfrewshire as suggested by Provost Hall.	HCC/dd	ASAP
8.05	Update on Traffic Survey – As previously noted John shall liaise with Provost Ann Hall to see if she can help progress.	Note	
8.06	Update on Flower Displays – After lengthy debate it was agreed the following parties shall be part of a subcommittee which shall be chaired by Gordon Wright. Jenny Cowan David Dunlop Jake Fulton Sandy Bulloch Janet Mason John McEvoy Gordon Wright		
9.00	Any Other Business		
9.01	RC Funding Applications – Agreed these shall be required by March 2017. To be discussed at November's meeting with a list of proposed projects tabled and agreed thereat.	HCC/km	ASAP
9.02	Website Volunteer – Agreed we should take up the offer for support from a local resident.	HCC/km	ASAP
9.03	HCC Facebook Page – Jake suggested we should have links with other local groups i.e. churches, football clubs etc. All agreed this was a good idea with Jake to progress.	HCC/jt	ASAP
9.04	Jenny Cowan Application to become a HCC Member – It was agreed Jake and Kathy would support Jenny's application and complete / sign the form on behalf of HCC.	HCC/jf & km	ASAP
	A proposal long with quote shall be tabled at November's meeting for approval including a maintenance rota.	HCC/gw	Nov's HCC Meeting

Item		Action	Date Due
9.05	Christmas Lights Switch on by School Kids – Agreed Mark shall liaise with the schools to seek their approval / parent’s approval to add the children’s ???? to the HCC website.	HCC/ma	ASAP
9.06	Christmas Lights Switch on Dancing Display – Agreed Mark shall liaise with a member of the community to discuss their proposal.	HCC/ma	ASAP
9.07	Christmas Lights Switch on Flyer – Mark tabled the proposed flyer / leaflet and after discussion some minor changes are required which Mark shall progress. Agreed circa 2,000 prints are required for distribution via churches, schools , local pubs and paper shop etc.	HCC/ma	ASAP

Next Meeting: HCC November Meeting

Date / Time: Wednesday 16th November 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed by Chairperson, John McEvoy, at 9.00pm