RALSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of AGM on 10 October 2024, Ralston Community Centre

Present: Allan Thompson (Chair), Simon Hall (Secretary), Fergal McCauley (Treasurer), Alison Scott, Rod McLelland, Bill Whyte.

In Attendance: Cllr Graham, Cllr Clark, two Police Officers.

Apologies: Bill Gray, May Fernie, Catherine Gooding, Michael Conroy, Community Wardens.

Not in attendance: Cllr Jennifer Adam.

Action

Welcome from the Chair: Chair welcomed all to the AGM.

Appointment of Office Bearers: Nominations for position of Chairperson: Allan Thompson. Proposed: Simon, Seconded: Fergal.
Nominations for position of Secretary: Simon Hall, Proposed: Fergal, Seconded: Alison.
Nominations for position of Treasurer: Fergal McCauley, Proposed: Allan, Seconded: Bill W.

Allan advised that this would be his final year as Chair.

Minutes of previous AGM held on 12 October 2024: Proposed: Fergal, Seconded: Allan.

Chair's Remarks:
Once again it's been a busy year.

- The first round of Activity classes were very successful. Lottery funding was secured to continue the programme. We've had some very positive meetings with OneRen, who agreed to host classes. This has meant that the Sports Centre is open and available for other regular bookings, increasing its use as a community facility.
- We have continued to maintain the Ralston in Bloom , further funding will be required for flowers in spring.
- Maintenance of the existing defibrillator cabinets, as well as new cabinets are being considered.
- The rusty metal cabinet at the corner of Glasgow Road and Darvel was identified as dangerous, Local Counsellor is actioning.
- There were two 'expression of interest's made regarding a CAT of the Community Sports Centre. Out of School Care are/were interested in the strip of land between the football pitches and the school. They want to build a family centre for wraparound care for children. Also Get Active Coaching, who run multi sports clubs across Renfrewshire, are interested. We invited both parties to

attend our meetings.

- Tylney road traffic survey: Received analysis of the traffic survey and invited to a meeting to explain the results further.
- Ralston Activities - Spring programme: Hall hire costs are increasing, impacting future programmes, but bookings continue to be high.
- Pavement Parking Ban: Effective from November 2024. Mark Higginbothom, Transportation & Active Travel Manager, Renfrewshire Council visited to talk about the ban and potential exemptions.
- Local Development Plan Process and Place Plans: Alan Williamson, Strategy & Place Manager, Renfrewshire Council explained the process and provisions that communities can develop Place Plans.
- The Fun Day down at the Pavilion was very successful. Thanks to all who supported again this year.

Annual Accounts: The signed and audited annual accounts for 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 were circulated by Fergal McCauley.

Date of next AGM: 9 October 2025.