RALSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting on 12 December, at Ralston Community Centre

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

In attendance: Community Police Officers Andrew & Ashley, resident interested in being part of Community Council.

Apologies: Cllr Graeme Clark, Cllr Neill Graham, Bill Gray, Catherine Gooding.

Not in attendance: Cllr Jennifer Adam, Michael Conroy.

Action

Welcome from the Chair: Allan welcomed all to the meeting.

Police Report: In the past month there 7 crime reports: 1 theft, 6 road traffic offences (following implementation of local action plans).

Community Wardens: Wardens circulated a report prior to the meeting. In the past month there have been no ASB's or disorder related incidents. Wardens have conducted 29 patrols around Penilee Road, Ralston Community Centre and Barshaw Park.

Councillor's Reports: Cllr Clark: Update prior to the meeting: Ralston Out of School Care: Secured Glasgow City Region 5G Innovation funding for fitness trackers to help improve children's activity levels. Allanton Avenue kerbs: Works to reset the kerbs will be carried out in the near future.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Proposed by Fergal, seconded by Alison.

Matters arising from the minutes: Hawkhead Road Filter: Traffic waiting at Arkleston Road require the light to be adjusted to make it safe. Seek update from Cllr Clark in new year. **Cllr Clark**

Newtyle Yellow lines: Had been delayed to consider complaints raised, however now proceeding to the next stage. Seek update from Cllr Clark in new year. **Cllr Clark**

Trees on Duchray: Carried forward, Cllr Clark to update on whether trees on Duchray were being replaced. **Cllr Clark**

Trees between St Mirren and houses: Carried forward, Cllr Clark to update on safety check on tall trees. **Cllr Clark**

Local Development Plan: Houston Community Council have recently developed a plan and have agreed to meet us online to discuss what they did. Allan, Fergal and Rod will meet with him. **Allan, Fergal & Rod**

Newsletter: Alison complemented the newsletter and thanked everyone involved in pulling it together.

Planters: Rod advised that planters have had new compost and winter pansies. Some have now been moved to outside the Community Centre.

Secretary's Report: Simon advised that since the last meeting, 32 emails had been received, 1 circulated. Emails of note: Carers Awareness Workshops available to raise awareness of how we can support carers in the area. Simon will contact for more information. **Simon Hall**

Treasurer's Report: Fergal advised that since the last meeting on the main account there was expenditure of £963.97, resulting in a current balance of £16,179.81. Wellbeing Fund: Income of £310, expenditure of £3,860.50 leaving balance of £3,898.82. Total bank balance of £20,078.63. Ralston Community Sports Centre have invoiced for hall lets for current activity classes, but had yet to invoice us for the lets between Apr-Sept 2024.

Ralston Activities: Rod advised that we have just finished the last week of our 5th 10-week block of classes, with a good number of people still attending at each class. The next block starts 20 January to 30 March, and another 24 April – 26 June, with the same 13 classes will run again in each block.

AOB: New Members: 7 residents have expressed interest in joining RCC, they will be invited to meet Allan, Fergal and Simon before our January meeting and then invite them to stay for the meeting. We can coopt 2-3 people, however more than that and we'd need to have an interim election. Community Council Forum: Alison attended on 9 December online. Confirmed there is a programme for gully cleaning, with each gully being cleaned every 2 years, plus monitoring those prone to flooding. The ongoing review of Community Councils is due to conclude in May 2025. Next meeting on 10 March is the AGM and ordinary meeting.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 9 January at 7:30pm, in person at Ralston Community Centre.