RALSTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting on 9 April 2026, at Ralston Community Centre

Present: Allan Thompson (Chair & Treasurer), Grace Berry, Robert Elliot, Bill Gray, Rod McLelland, Ashleigh Pieraccini, Alison Scott, Bill Whyte.

In attendance: Cllr Neill Graham, Cllr Graeme Clark.

Apologies: Simon Hall (Secretary), Robert Elliot.

Not in attendance: Cllr Jennifer Adam, Scott McFarlane.

Action

Welcome from the Chair: Allan welcomed all to the meeting, including 3 potentially new members.

Police Report: Police sent apologies.

Councillor's Reports:
Cllr Clark: Fencing at the playing fields needs repaired and this is imminent.
One issue only has been raised from a parent regarding the new bus to the new Paisley Grammar School (PGS). There is a possibility to appeal.
Also, more information on waste processing recycling for next meeting

Cllr Graham: police in attendance on Glasgow Road and Newtyle Road – and it seems to have had the desired outcome. We hope this support can be maintained
Council Survey still to be conducted by Renfrewshire Council later this year
Litter on Penilee road can hopefully be picked during the closure

Minutes of the previous meeting: Proposed by Rod, seconded by Bill.

Matters arising from the minutes: none noted

Secretary's Report: Since the last meeting, 19 emails had been received, 3 circulated. Emails of note: Wildfires Strategic Action Plan: The Scottish Government have published an action plan for preventing and responding to wildfires in Scotland, if you wish to see the plan, Simon will forward it.

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance in main account is £35,099.61.

Local Place Plan: Steering Group meeting to be arranged for early May, followed by our CC meeting the following week for CC review.

Ralston Activities: Rod advised –
Funding: National Lottery Grant of £12,000 for new activities has been received for a 2-year period, starting in September 2026.
Meeting with OneRen has been arranged for 24/4/26.
CMHWB Funding now require feedback for the Scottish Government and a questionnaire will be constructed.

Engage Renfrewshire are attending classes on Monday 18th of May as part of their scrutiny.
Community Facilities fund has been applied for via Renfrewshire Council to upgrade Sports Community Facilities.

AOB: none

Date of next meeting: Thursday 14 May 2026 at 7:30pm, in person at Ralston Community Centre.