

**Swinton Community Council: Ordinary Meeting**  
**Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023 - Swinton Tavern, 7pm**

**MINUTES**

**1. Recording of membership present and apologies received**

John Malone (JM, Treasurer) and Wojciech Drozdowski (WD, Vice-Chair) to co-chair meeting in absence of Mary Deakin (MD, Chair). Apologies received for MD.

**2. Introduction and Welcome**

WD welcomes group and introduces the agenda of the evening.

**3. The minutes of the last meeting are submitted for accuracy and approval**

JM confirms attendees approved the previous meeting minutes being provided in a hard copy format going forward.

**4. Any matters arising (not already on agenda) are addressed**

None.

**5. Correspondence**

- Wise Group introduced
- They contacted Swinton Community Council (SCC) and explained their mission statement. JM has offered them to come to a future meeting and present with more information.
- JM: We will have £1000 from GCC to spend in Dalreoch Avenue.
- JM: GCC project would like to introduce mini orchards. Mainhill Av targeted as an area. This could go further.

**6. Treasurers report**

Key Points:

- Almost £400 spent on objection campaign.
- City Chambers will top SCC up with £750 end of December
- Lawrence O'Neill will supply every address in Swinton area and SCC will apply for newsletter to be distributed across the area as well as online.
- Once Treasury sub committee is put together, SCC will compile a list of every grant possible to apply for.
- JM will apply to GCC for a grant to help publish a printed newsletter

**7. Reports i.e. Police; Elected Members**

John Daly (JD): Apologies for missing last meeting and introduction. Worked for decades in education. Brief summary of recent work as a Councillor and offerings to assist the community.

Jim Clark (JC): are you in favour of SCC getting the park?

JD: I'm in favour of the community. We must consider what everybody wants. Yes, I think SCC should get the park. Do I think there's more to it than that? Yes.

Police Officers, Constable Craig Russell (CR) and Wez Ahmed (WA) of the Local Problem-Solving Team:

CR: What do we do? We engage with Councillors. We look at anti-social behaviour, housing issues - protracting enquiries. Not hugely familiar with area. Covering for absent officer. We can deal with parking issues, schools. Good old-fashioned beat cop.

I know of the issues with Swinton Rd. PC Bennett will be aware of the issues too. We cover big areas, so if you don't phone it into us, we don't know. Call the police. You tell us about it. Call 101 for this, if it is life threatening then call 999. Everything the police do is like a traffic light system in terms of priority. You can contact Police Scotland via the email on intranet. Police Scotland social media also.

You get a unique crime number if you call 101 so you will always have a trail.

### **Local Issues**

CR: There are issues but if you find them, report them to us. We rely on you guys. When it comes to parking, Section 22 of Safe and Considerate Parking Act – we can deal with it.

Section 165 - we can remove the car. I will pass it on to the police officer who covers this area.

**Question:** Is it illegal to be parked anywhere on the pavement?

CR: Yes, it is a £50 fine.

**Question:** Do you think more signage would help?

CR: Absolutely. You may be able to do it as a community group or you may be able to contact Council.

### **Guide to Reporting Parking Incidents as detailed by CR:**

- Glasgow City Council Website
- Roads and Parking
- Click Parking
- Tells you incident types and who to report it to and a full guide.

Kevin Lalley (KL): Lady contacted me and wants to fund defibrillator at Swinton Rd roundabout. KL promised that signage on Springhill Rd will be installed. Amazon are paying attention to vehicles that are parking nearby the area.

## **8. Planning Items (if applicable)**

JM: Planning application from Springhill MOT Station was withdrawn. All objection letters should be online.

JM: Dogs Trust do not think it was an appropriate area to exercise dogs. Sport Scotland helped and they wanted information. Once this was withdrawn, Sport Scotland offered to help again.

JM: This Friday (15<sup>th</sup> September 2023) there will be a meeting at City Chambers. I am going. Jim Clark will assist. There will be next steps laid out. Unanimous vote of yes to save Swinton Recreational Area space in the room.

**9. Licensing (if applicable)**

None.

**10. Area Partnership Report (if applicable)**

Community Councils of Broomhouse, Garrowhill and Baillieston attend these meetings. SCC have not been attending since COVID but now JM will attend.

Swinton Av, Swinton Cres, Dalreoch Av etc all set to be places targeted for this.

JM: Met with Headmistress at Swinton Primary. She wants a representative from Parent Teacher Council to attend SCC meetings.

**11. Consideration of other agreed items of business; as directed by the Chair**

JM: Sandy Paterson has maps available to hopefully detail which areas are community grounds and which belong to others.

**12. Any other competent business (AOCB)**

Website announced with testing and public review period over the coming weeks.

**13. Questions from the floor**

None.

**14. Chairperson to declare date of next meeting and close meeting**

JM announces that next meeting will be the AGM on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2023 in the Swinton Tavern at 7pm.