

**Swinton Community Council: Ordinary Meeting
Tuesday, 9th April, 2024 - Swinton Tavern, 7pm**

MINUTES

1. Recording of membership present and apologies received.

Apologies received for Mary Deakin, Arthur Deakin, Kevin Lalley, Wojtek Drozdowski, Marianne Harvey and Ciaran Foreman.

2. Introduction and Welcome

John Malone (JM) welcomes group and introduces the agenda of the evening. Hard copy of previous meeting minutes provided to all attendees.

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

Minutes unanimously approved as accurate. Jim Clark and Doreen Houston approved.

4. Correspondence

Swinton Council Event

Doreen reported update on Darcy's function suite. Availability for 24th or 31st of August. Maximum number for a sit-down meal would be 80. They hire outside caterers at the moment. Other option is a buffet. All packages include a DJ but a deal could be discussed to allow for live music.

Doreen has agreed to check with Robert Burns hall and report back to members via email.

Planters

JM has emailed Nicola Brawley about the stickers for the planters. JM will collect when a response is received.

Donations to Primary Schools

Donations were offered to Swinton Primary School and St Bridget's Primary school. These were accepted and both schools said they would mention this in their newsletter.

Community Council Training Session

On the 18th of May, there is a community council training session. All community councils from across Glasgow are welcome and members who attend are looked after with refreshments. JM asked if any councillors could attend this meeting on behalf of Swinton Community Council.

5. Treasurers report

Gerry Cox reported that no statements will be produced by the bank unless activity takes place. Gerry proposes setting up an online banking account. Committee members agree.

Advised money for flowers etc in Dalreoch avenue, £1000 has now been received. Discussions taking place with Kevin Lalley on how to distribute this.

GCC has advised of plans to perform some work in Dalreoch avenue. There are concerns if we start work using the £1000 that this could be undone by the council works. Discussions must take place before money is spent.

6. Reports i.e. Police; Elected Members

No attendance.

7. Kevin Lalley Update

KL not present but supplied a written update in relation to items raised at last meeting:

- “1. The hedgerow outside of the Premier Express and on Swinton Road at Dalreoch Avenue has been attended to as has the large hole on the pavement outside the entrance to the shop.*
- 2. There has been an assessment carried out on the road and pavement surface on Swinton Road. I was asked to enquire about this due to excessive flooding with no drain present. I have been informed that this will be monitored and dealt with on a reactive basis. I still await the results of the survey carried out on the telegraph poles and their condition around their safety.*
- 3. The area of Swinton Road at the junction of Edinburgh Road (North) had been stated it would be repaired by 31st March 2024. This has still not been carried out and I await the answer from GCC as to when it will be repaired.*
- 4. April 2023 I was informed that new Road markings would be painted on Springcroft Road as you travel towards the M8 near Springcroft Gardens. This has still not been done and I have asked for further clarification.*
- 5. There was a new road surface carried out on Springhill Parkway just after the entrance to AMAZON. Unfortunately, the other areas of this road including Springcroft Road are needing attention, but I have been informed that it has been assessed and will be monitored.*
- 6. Just a little area outside of Swinton but we all use it if we drive. There have been several accidents at the entrance to Barrachnie Road from Edinburgh Road. I asked for a Police Scotland report on road safety at this junction and I forwarded it onto GCC Road Safety. It has resulted in new road markings will be carried out, the traffic signals will be looked at for improvement with timings and there will be 5 trees removed to provide better visibility and a crown lift will be carried out on others at the approach to that junction. I asked if it was a necessity to remove the trees and if possible, could they receive a crown uplift however upon inspection they are diseased and need to be removed. They are currently marked with a red cross.*
- 7. The funding for the grass area in Dalreoch Avenue that was determined in 2021 is now in the bank account of Swinton CC. I will liaise with the residents who carried out the visit and showed a willingness to be involved and arrange for this work to be carried out. There is other work to be carried out in this space due to the fencing now reaching the end of its lifespan. I have also sent to Swinton CC the plans I received last week. Start date not yet known.”*

8. Planning Items (if applicable)

Jim Clark attended Easterhouse Parish Church regarding the new housing development in that area. Miller homes plan to build 205 houses approx. between 2-5 bedroom. No flats. All of these will be for sale no renting. Access will be from Easterhouse Road, Aberdalgie Rd and Baldinnie Rd. JC asked about infrastructure issues. They don't anticipate infrastructure issues. The selling points is access to motorways, the Fort, buses and rail links within walking distance. The

nursery is under capacity, Lochend Secondary is at 50% capacity. St Andrews will be the RC catchment and they are engaged with them too. They don't collaborate with NHS re Health Centres etc.

JM discussed the concerns about this housing estate causing more issues with parking at Easterhouse train station with Councillor Kerr. It was recommended that this along with a possible carpark expansion of the car park should be discussed with John Mason. JM will contact and provide an update when possible.

Full planning application has not yet been submitted. When this happens a traffic assessment and other formalities will be completed. After this we will understand any possible impact on community.

9. Licensing (if applicable)

NA

10. Area Partnership Report (if applicable)

The next meeting is on the 23rd of April. Committee members can join via online call.

- Doreen Houston proposed an idea of using this in the future to build a gate on Swinton field. Something that all those who attended meetings about the field were keen on a few months ago. Council to discuss with Kevin Lalley about applying for a PTU. Can we also add a large sign regarding picking up dogs mess here?
- John Malone proposed a sign and noticeboard like other community councils have. Rosanne looked into this and all committee members agree that near the Swinton shops would be the best place due to the most people-traffic. JM will look into creating this application and how much money this will cost.
- Rosanne provided an update from BT regarding the phonebox. BT said they cannot provide any information or reinstate this. Because this is not a red phone box this cannot be acquired by the community council. BT suggested the only other use for this box would be for a defibrillator. Engineers from BT have said they will be out to tidy this phone box up.

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

NA

12. Any other competent business (AOCB)

Rosanne enquired about the space of vacant space at the bottom of Rhindmuir road as this is a mess at the moment. If the council were interested to take over this space as a community garden or an allotment this could be proposed to GCC.

Fiona will continue to organise the Christmas party this year keeping with roughly the same date as last year.

JM shared the newsletter with committee members. This will be printed by Tell Design and Print. Council members foot soldiers will deliver to houses.

Mention of new doors on the back of Springhill Garage causing increased noise in the early mornings. This will be monitored going forward.

JM mentioned the request for minutes to be taken by various committee members/ possible rotation at future meetings.

13. Questions from the floor

NA

14. Chairperson declared date of next meeting and close meeting

Details of next meeting is Tuesday the 14th of May 2024 at 7pm in Swinton Tavern.