***Beechwood & Wheatcroft Residents Association***

*Minutes of meeting held 02/03/2023 revised*

*Loch Lomond Rugby Club*

**In Attendance: Committee members:**  T Neufeld, R Stibbs, D Bole, M Reid, B Pitt, Liz Stewart, Rob Goodall

**Apologies**: J McGarva, A McGarva, L Patterson, R Kerr

**Guests/Councillors**: J Bollan, E Adams, Alex McEwan

**Residents** : **Community Police:** None

1. Welcome and Introduction - T Neufeld, (Chair) welcomed everyone and apologized for not erecting the sign this week.
2. Matters arising from last month’s minutes - none Proposed D Bole, seconded Liz Stewart
3. Park PM Update: 405 collections so far, this is 90.6%. Multiple property owner still in discussion with PPM needing questions answered, stalling. Pursuit of outstanding accounts ongoing.

Elaine questioned whether invoices should be hand delivered this year due to problem of posted one’s last year. The meeting agreed that it should be left to postal but a double check to ensure that no addresses are missed. The Chair asked that a note be placed in the invoice requesting residents to confirm their current email, if this was to be their preferred method of billing. If confirmation is not received by PPM, residents would continue to receive postal invoices. Elaine agreed to this request.

1. Councillor Update/Questions: WDC have cut £1million from the roads budget and cancelled some planned resurfacing of roads and pavements across WDC area, which now impact on the planned work in the estate. A number of services have had budget cuts and some others have been done away with, he didn’t elaborate on this. Rates are to rise by 5%.

With regard to a defibrillator being powered from a lamp post. Jim has been told by WDC Services that Power from Lamp posts isn’t possible as they are not powered 24/7. Tom pointed out that from his experience in construction that this was not the case. Power is available 24/7 at lamp posts but a Photoelectric cell only switches them on at dusk.

Jim B says that windfarm is still in planning stage but there are a number of objections to the height of the revised plan from 19 smaller ones to the now planned 10 number 250m turbines. Councillor Bollan confirmed that planning permission has not yet been agreed as plans have not yet been submitted. He will keep us informed. Jim further stated that should planning go ahead Corilis are bound by Scottish legislation recommending that Corilis pay a yearly sum to affected communities (Bonhill & Beechwood Estate). This amounts to £360k.

1. Questions from Residents: none.
2. Chair report: The bill for Defibrillator battery this is still outstanding. Tom will chase this up.
3. Secretary report: Did not attend.
4. Treasurer report: The current balances in the accounts are
* General Maintenance £25231.23
* Reserve account £21941.12
* Social Fund account £623.01
* Total £47795.36

Rob Goodall cheque for X-mas tree lights still to be cashed.

1. M Reid highlighted an issue at the communal ground at the carpark to try and resolve the water that flows over – Rob has investigated this and the problem is runoff from the ground uphill. The contractor who repaired the drain at top of Beechwood Drive is to come and have a look and give recommendation to alleviate the problem. Rob to take it from there if no immediate solution is found, BWRA may have to bite the bullet and spend a sum to have a cutoff ditch dug.
2. Social Convenor report: Nothing to report at this time.
3. AOCB : Discussion on upcoming AGM. Decided to have AGM 27 April, 19:30 hours at Rugby club. As per last year there will be a £100 raffle for all eligible attendees. Tom to print flyer for distribution at end of March.
4. Next meeting is Thursday 6/4/2023,

Action Points

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| Meeting date  | Action | Responsibility  | Update  |
| 2/9/21 | Report Pot/holes pavement problems to WDC  | all | Ongoing  |
| 2/2/22 | Address Water at Murroch Cres | R Goodall/I Dickson with R Welsh  | Ongoing |
| 5/5/22 | Contact BOS to get signatures changed  | J McGarva | Ongoing  |
| 5/5/22 | Replace/fix sign at entrance  | R Goodall | Ongoing  |
| 9/6/22 | Map out blocked drains and pass to WDC | R Goodall | Ongoing |
| 2/3/22 | Investigate water through Communal Carpark at top of Beechwood | R Goodall | Ongoing |
| 2/3/22 | Investigate utilising electricity from lamp posts for further De Fib Machine  | J Bollan | Ongoing |