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Beechwood & Wheatcroft Residents Association

Minutes of meeting held

04/09/2025

Loch Lomond Rugby Club

**In Attendance:**

**Committee members:** T Neufeld, J McGarva, R Kerr, J Coulthard, R Stibbs, K. Smith, H Scammell, G Coulthard, I Milligan, J Kennedy, M Dunn, E Patterson, P Gallacher

**Apologies:** A McGarva, R Goodall, M Reid, K Gothard, D Bole

**Councillors:** J Bollan

**PPM:** E Adams

**Residents:** None

**Community Police:** None

1. **Welcome and introduction:** Tom Neufeld opened the meeting and thanked everyone in attendance.
2. **Minutes:** Proposed by Janice McGarva and seconded by Irene Milligan.
3. **Matters arising from last meetings minutes:** No matters arising.

4. **Park PM Update:**

Elaine Adams, PPM representative reported that a total of 395 payments have been collected to date, in percentage terms 88.37%, 1 account remains on temporary hold and 17 accounts on legal action. 34 accounts remain outstanding. BWRA has received a total payment to date of £16,748.00 with a further payment due next week for £3,137.60.

E Adams confirmed there was a problem identifying owners/landlords in a few properties, one of the problems is that a number of landlords do not comply with the mandatory council requirements to register on the landlord register but enquiries are ongoing.

5. **Councillor Update/Questions:**

JB provided an update in the grass cutting situation and stated that recently the council had reversed the cuts made and plans are to re-instate grass cutting levels to previous year and there are plans to re-employ 20 seasonal staff to carry out the considerable grass cutting responsibilities that the council incur. A resident stated that the refuse collector had made a mess in the street during the uplift of the brown bins: gardening waste. JB advised the resident to report the problem on the council website. A resident reported tar breaking away on a pavement at the corner of Beechwood Drive, just down from the mail box opposite side of road. JB advised the resident to report the problem online to the council adding it would be helpful to include a photo of the exact location. JB stated he

would also contact the council to highlight the problem. A resident enquired if there was a possibility that the works on the roads and pavements would be completed in the near future. JB stated he was unable to advise but bearing in mind the council's deficit position it was anticipated that some departments will have their forthcoming budgets cut. With regard to the concerns of a resident reporting storm water/gully drain collapsing on the street in the vicinity between 57 and 65 Broomhill Crescent the resident was advised to report the problem on the council website. JB confirmed he will also contact the council to highlight the problem. JB asked if weedkilling work was recently carried out on the estate and the committee agreed it was.

6. **Questions from Residents:** None.

7. **Chair Report:**

TN, Chairman, stated he was pleased to report that a new bin had been recently installed at the lower bus stop on Beechwood Drive.

8. **Secretary Report:** Nothing to report.

9. **Treasures Report:**

JM stated current balances in the accounts are:

General Maintenance: £27,325.72

Reserve Account: £20,956.62

Social Fund Account: £ 132.75

Total: £48,415.09

There is an outstanding amount of £100 for defibrillator pads.

JM confirmed that a payment of £342.62 had been paid with regard to the renewal for indemnity insurance to take effect from 11 September this year.

10. **Contact Co-Ordinator:**

RG had submitted his formal apologies. It was noted that he had updated the committee earlier that work was still ongoing on the estate and RG had made plans to plant daffodil bulbs for spring and it was his intention to predominantly plant the bulbs around the new hedge that was recently planted behind the lower bus stop area on Beechwood Drive.

11. **Social Convenor Report: None.**

12. **AOB:** It was agreed to purchase and install a number of CCTV cameras as a security deterrent, in particular to reduce the number of "fly tipping" instances that had occurred on the estate. TN responded to a residents enquiry that it was permissible for residents to cut down brambles overhanging onto pavements from garden walls.

13. **Date Of Next Meeting:**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025.

Meeting subsequently closed at 20.15 hours.

# Action Points

Meeting Date	Action	Responsibility	Update
2/2/22	Address Water Issues: a) Corner of Murroch and Beechwood b) Communal Car park at top of Beechwood	R Goodall/I Dickson with R Welsh (WDC)	Ongoing
01/02/24	Feedback from the report issued to the contractor regarding the pavements and roads	J Bollan to Liaise with WDC again on behalf of BWRA	Ongoing
01/02/24	Changing the accounts to online	J McGarva	Ongoing
04/04/24	Lower part of the gully area. (Awaiting plan from RG	R Goodall to provide a plan to J Bollan	Ongoing
07/06/24	Manhole repair lower end of Beechwood Drive	J Bollan reported problem to Scottish Water on behalf of BWRA	Ongoing
03/10/24	Additional bin to be placed at the top end of footpath 6.	J Bollan to make a request to Greenspace on BWRA behalf.	Ongoing
03/04/25	Fit cameras in estate to assist with fly tipping problem.	R Goodall.	ongoing
07/08/25	Replace bin at top of Beechwood Drive.	I Dickson to liaise with WDC on behalf of BWRA.	Ongoing
04/09/25	Gully Drain Collapsing on the street at top of Broomhill Crescent.	Resident advised to report online and J Bollan to liaise with WDC on behalf of BWRA.	Ongoing
04/09/25	Tar-surface breaking away on pavement. Corner Beachwood Drive, just down from opposite mail box.	Resident advised to report online and J Bollen to liaise with WDC on behalf of BWRA.	Ongoing