**Beechwood & Wheatcroft Residents Association**

Minutes of AGM held on 27th April 2023

In Loch Lomond Rugby Club

In Attendance:

R Stibbs 95 Murroch Crescent

T Neufeld 97 Murroch Crescent

R Kerr 146 Beechwood Drive

I Dickson 61a Broomhill Crescent

P & H Moir 61 Murroch Crescent

B & K Toner 101 Broomhill Crescent

H & J Connelly 102 Murroch Crescent

L Stewart 202 Beechwood Drive

L Patterson 198 Beechwood Drive

J Robertson 200 Beechwood Drive

R Brown 94 Murroch Crescent

J & G Coulthard 89 Murroch Crescent

J & A McGarva 71a Broomhill Crescent

D Bole 76 Murroch Crescent

M & D Harris 11 Broomhill Crescent

K Smith 75 Broomhill Crescent

I Milligan 8 Broomhill Crescent

A Currie (?) 91 Beechwood Drive

B Adams 37 Murroch Crescent

F Bell 31 Murroch Crescent

J & J Kennedy 65B Broomhill Crescent

W Canning (?) 152 Beechwood Drive

C Patterson 124 Beechwood Drive

J Scpringier 96 Beechwood Drive

C McGuire 5 Broomhill Crescent

H Scammell 23 Broomhill Crescent

26 properties represented.

Apologies: M Reid, R Goodall, J Bollan (Councillor)

1. **Welcome and Introduction**

T Neufeld welcomed everyone. Out of the 440 properties on the estate, 26 being represented tonight which is a great turn out as we require 20 for the AGM to proceed

1. **Minutes of Last AGM**

Proposed D Bole seconded I Milligan

1. **Matters Arising from Minutes**

None

1. **Chairman’s Report**

As Chair, I have had very little activity due to the hard working conscientious team that is the current committee. Thank you all for your support this last year. I have been involved in printing flyers and thanks to those delivering them to the residents. The Defibrillator pads and battery have been replaced this year. It has been taken out twice, but not used as the ambulance arrived before it was set up. The committee are also investigating a second Defibrillator on the estate, but there is a stumbling block with the powering of the unit at present. I have also been working with the contract co-ordinator on a few of his endeavours this year. Finally as many of you will be aware of Mr Harris Smith’s planning application (DC22/190/FUL) to erect a wind turbine and agricultural shed on land to the east of Broomhill Crescent, He has also told residents that the shed is to produce Bio pellets (not in the planning application. He is presently constructing an access roas without planning permission. Mr Smith has been told that he has to stop construction by WDC but is ignoring that and pressing on with his road construction. Residents need to submit a comment on the WDC website expressing their objections or Mr Harris Smith will likely win planning permission. ( flyers handed out explaining how to do this on entry to the AGM) The next planning meeting is 14th June, if you comment on the application WDC will notify you of the meeting when it is confirmed as it is a open meeting anyone can attend. Our concerns are that if he is granted the planning permission, then he can apply for a change of use which is a simple process. The estate’s roads are not built to handle this heavy traffic and the roads are already in a sorry state. Please go on line and lodge your comments and encourage your neighbours to do the same

Chair thanked Councillors J Bollan and I Dickson for their continued support.

1. **Secretary’s report**

Park PM have continued to work on behalf of the Association, and this year have secured 90.4% payment, with ongoing work to recover from non-payers. This is the highest rate achieved to date.

1. **Treasurers report**

The accounts run from January to December each year, and accounts for year ending 2022 were handed out.

*Highlights:*

Ground maintenance was lower as the final bill was submitted late. A new website had to be constructed as the original domain had closed. A banner was purchased to advertise each monthly meeting and the AGM, which has increased the number of residents attending

The balances at 31/12/22:

Ground Maintenance: £31531.71

Social Fund: £623.01

Reserve a/c : £21941.12

1. **Contract Co-ordinators Report**

Report read out by T Neufeld as R Goodall apologised as work commitments pre-dispose his attendance.

Firstly, thanks to Tom for his physical and consultation vies on a number of tasks. The badly choked culvert at the out let to the gully (lower Murroch Crescent0 was cleared as best could be reached up the pipe, this will need to be revisited this year. The drainage at the top of Beechwood Drive has been partially renewed and no longer overruns the footpath which was a hazard in the winter. The water problem at the substation on Murroch Crescent is an ongoing issue and being dealt with. A vandalized evergreen we planted near the lower bus stop Beechwood Drive has been replaced by a Scots Pine which is thriving. AN additional Scots pine has been planted above the entrance to the estate. The estate sign will be re-furbished in the near future. A number of drainage issues are being addressed this year and contracts to be issued, once a satisfactory solution is found and agreed. Thanks to Miss McCauley for her recent donation of snowdrops which we planted in the gully area. I had a recent walkabout with MGS, and have discussed a number of issues which h and his tea will address. .

Resident Questions: R Brown highlighted that the matter of the water at the sub-station has been ongoing and was discussed at last years’ AGM but is still an issue. Some decision neds to be made to get this sorted.

As WDC are also involved , consider getting everyone to put this as a complaint on the WDC website to get them to act. Needs to become a public issue.

1. **Social Convenors Report**

This year Santa and his elves went around the estate distributing selection boxes to the children. We would like to re-instate the Bingo and Quiz nights but need to have enough people interested in attending.

1. **AGM Correspondence**

None

1. **Annual Maintenance Fee**

The current annual fee per property is remaining at £65.00

Park PM will be issuing letters within the next week or so.

1. **Constitution Changes**

None

1. **Resignation of the Standing Committee**

All members stood down from their current posts.

1. **Handover to temporary Chair for election of New Committee**

This election process was chaired by Councillor Ian Dickson

Nominee Proposed By Seconded by

**Chair Person**

Tom Neufeld R Kerr A McGarva

**Vice Chair**

Bobby Kerr T Neufeld R Stibbs

**Secretary**

L Stewart J McGarva I Milligan

**Treasurer**

Janice McGarva Liz Stewart R Kerr

**Contract Co-ordinator**

Rob Goodall M Harris T Neufeld

**Social Convenor**

David Bole T Neufeld A McGarva

**General members**

Mark Harris J McGarva I Milligan

Liz Patterson L Stewart A McGarva

Julie Robinson I Milligan R Brown

June Coulthard I Milligan I Dickson

Margaret Reid T Neufeld R Stibbs

Irene Milligan J McGarva R Kerr

Harry Scammell T Neufeld A McGarva

Ricky Stibbs R Kerr D Bole

Allan McGarva T Neufeld R Stibbs

Cliff McGuire R Stibbs T Neufeld

Ian Dickson J McGarva A McGarva

Hugh Moir I Dickson M Harris

Roddy Brown J McGarva I Milligan

Katrina Smith A McGarva R Sibbs

1. **New Committee reside over meeting**

T Neufeld, the new Chair thanked I Dickson for taking the duty of temporary Chair and welcomed the new committee.

1. **AOCB -**

Raffle for Residents attending £100 was won by I Dickson

1. Next Committee Meeting to be held in Loch Lomond Rugby Club at 7.30pm on Thursday 4th May
2. Chair thanked everyone for attending tonight and extended an invite to attend any of the regular monthly meetings to all residents.