

# STRATHBUNGO SOCIETY

## Minutes of Committee Meeting Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2013 The Bungo, Nithsdale Road, Strathbungo, Glasgow

**Present:** Teresa Mooney (Vice-Chair & Acting Treasurer), Stephen Rees (Secretary), Laura Davie, Dee Miller, Brian Miller, Amanda McDonald, Alison Hussain, Stephen Lamb, Andrew Downie, Rachel Burt, David Gilmour, Kevin Kane Joanna Murphy and Fiona McKinnon

### 1. Sederunt and Apologies

Laura Moodie (Chairperson) and Nick Kempe

### 2. Minutes and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as accurate.

### 3. Finance

#### **Finance Report**

The balance on the account as of 30 April 2013 was £3,041.73 in the bank. Outstanding commitments total £1,207.30: £182 for the picture framing, £200 for the newsletter editor, £271 for printing the newsletter, £72 for printing cards of the winning art work from the Children's Art Competition and £482.30 for the insurance. That leaves us with £1,834.43 in the bank but £1,000 of that is still the unknown grant which had been received from Glasgow City Council which could not be accounted for. All attempts to clarify the grant received from Glasgow City Council to date had proved unsuccessful.

The Treasurer advised that Karen Gorman will bring our grant request for BITBL 2013 to the Area Committee on the 12 June.

### 4. Communications

#### **Newsletter**

It was noted that the latest issue of the Strathbungo Newsletter had been distributed. Dee Miller was thanked for efforts in producing another successful newsletter.

#### **Website**

It was noted that activity on the web site remained constant with independent postings and discussions being undertaken on a regular basis. All present at the meeting were encouraged to make postings on the Bungo blog.

### 5. Upcoming Events

#### **Brighter Bungo**

Brian Miller indicated that the last event had been very successful with approximately 20 people and 6 children taking part. It was noted that dog fouling was an increasing problem in the back lanes and bin scavenging. Locavore had offered to provide refreshments for the next Brighter Bungo proposed in August. It was agreed that Brighter Bungo should consider entering into the Streets Ahead Award. Brian Miller was thanked for his work in organising another successful event.

It was noted that the Strathbungo Area had a new street cleaner called George and that there was a marked improvement in the cleanliness of the streets. It was agreed that the next newsletter should highlight his great work in maintaining the area.

## Action – Brian & Dee Miller

### **BITBL 2013**

It was noted that planning for the BITBL 2013 to be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June was progressing well and that various organisations and individuals had been contacted to confirm their role/ requirements in advance of the event. A further meeting would be held in two weeks to look at the progress being made.

### **Fundraising Family Ceilidh – 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2013**

Planning towards the fundraising ceilidh to be held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> November was progressing well with the Queens Park Bowling Club about to be booked for the event. It was agreed that tickets for the event would be in the region of £6-10 per person with discounts for children/ families.

## Action – Alison Hussain & Alison Hunter

### 6. Planning

#### **Marywood Square**

It was confirmed that an appeal/ review of the decision had been submitted to the Planning Appeal Committee.

#### **8 Regent Park Square**

Construction of a conservatory. Further details to be provided at the next meeting.

#### **Sammy Dows**

Proposals to change the frontage, construct a raised decking area at the rear and side entrance from the lane were discussed. Concerns were raised re the intrusion of the raised decking into houses bordering the pub and the resulting increased noise levels in the area. It was agreed that the Society would submit an objection to the proposals. The Vice Chair agreed to liaise with our local planning expert for advice. Stephen Lamb and Kevin Kane agreed to coordinate a response to the Planning Department. Further details would be circulated by e-mail and via the Bungoblog.

## Action – Teresa Mooney, Stephen Lamb & Kevin Kane

### 7. Any Other Business

#### **Lighting in the Back Lanes**

Following the recent assault in the back lane behind Bradfords the Bakers, the Society had written to the local authority to request improved lighting. The reply from the Council had noted that the lighting in the back lanes was obsolete. The Council had no funds to upgrade the lighting and as the lanes were private they would not be proposing to upgrade them. It was agreed that having lighting in the back lanes was important for the safety of all people living in the area and that the Society would keep this matter under review.

#### **Pollokshields Area Partnership**

Kevin Kane agreed to act as a volunteer on behalf of the Strathbungo Society on the above committee with Nick Kempe acting as reserve. The Pollokshields Area Partnership has responsibility for assessing local funding proposals. Representation on the partnership was considered important for the Society to influence local policy decisions.

#### **Celebrate Fund**

The availability of a new fund released to support community activities during the Glasgow Commonwealth Games in 2014 was noted. It was agreed BITBL should consider looking at this funding source for 2014 and whether the timing of the next BITBL should be closer to the actual date of the Commonwealth Games.

#### **Railway Footbridge**

Concerns were expressed re the viability of the railway footbridge and the lack of action taken by Network Rail to maintain it. It was agreed that the Society would formally write to them. Further details would be presented at the next Society meeting.

**Action – Kevin Kane & Nick Kempe**

The next meeting of the Strathbungo Society will be on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at 7.30pm at the Den in The Bungo, Nithsdale Road.