

## The Strathbungo Society

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### Strathbungo Mine Consolidation and Back Lane Reinstatement

When the Council announced the mine consolidation works in October, they promised to undertake some repair work on the affected back lanes at the completion of the project, at no cost to residents, and they have identified additional funds to assist with this. The Strathbungo Society, together with Shawlands and Strathbungo Community Council, has been working with Glasgow City Council to investigate options for upgrading these back lanes, between Nithsdale Road, Regent Park Square and Queen Square. This work is expected to follow on from the mine consolidation work which is due for completion in May 2012.

They have considered a number of options summarized as below:

- 1) Removing all vegetation, silt and repairing localized damage to the cobbles
- 2) Uplift, and resetting the cobbles
- 3) Uplift, disposal and forming a new tarmac finish
- 4) Uplift, disposal and laying new concrete block paving
- 5) Uplift, disposal and laying salvaged regular sized granite setts

All options considered involve the cleaning of the existing drainage system.

The Council have obtained cost information for the second, third and fourth options. They all appear to fall within the budget the Council has available for the work so if approval can be obtained from the people that are directly affected then the work can proceed at no cost to the owners involved. The last option has not been priced as it was considered by the Council to be outwith their budget. The Society has asked for this work to be costed but this information had not been received at the time of printing.

A trial of resetting the cobbles was carried out to a small area of lane behind approx 16 Moray Place close to Queen Square on 6<sup>th</sup> February; this can be seen anytime and photos are online at [www.bungoblog.com](http://www.bungoblog.com).

The Council has to get the work instructed in March 2012 to allow the work to be carried out, or the funding opportunity may lapse, and since the residents own the lanes, they may need to seek your permission, so time is tight.

While the Strathbungo Society has worked hard to facilitate the Council's investigations, it can not, and will not make the decision on which option should be pursued, although it suspects the uplift and resetting of the existing cobbles is most likely to fit the budget, timescales, and preservation of the character of the lanes.

The Society has booked **Queens Park Church Hall, 170 Queens Drive on 20th February 2012 from 7.30pm** and invites you to join us for a cup of tea and a discussion of this important issue.

Please note that if no consensus is achieved then it is likely that the Council will just clean the lanes and repair any damage caused as a result of the works. As the condition of the lanes has been an ongoing problem for many years, this is a great opportunity that we cannot allow to slip by.

You can express your opinion overleaf. Please bring this slip with you to the meeting. If you are unable to attend, or do not wish to hear the discussion before coming to a decision, please return the slip to the address above before the meeting, or by **25<sup>th</sup> February** at the latest.

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**To be filled in by owner of this property. If you are a tenant, please pass this on.**

### Back Lanes Restoration

I wish to express my opinion regarding the options for repairing the back lanes at the conclusion of the Mine Consolidation works

Each option includes clearance of silt and vegetation, and opening of existing drains, where found

- I favour option 1, repair to damaged sections of lane only
- I favour option 2, uplift and resetting of existing cobbles
- I favour option 3, removal of cobbles, and tarmac finish
- I favour option 4, removal of cobbles, and concrete block paving
- I am likely to object to any work on my section of lane
- I have no opinion

We would appreciate your contact details, since the consultation applies only to those properties adjoining lanes affected by the work, and in case we need to contact you.

Name:

Address:

Contact:

Additional Comments:

Please bring this slip to the meeting at Queens Park Church, 170 Queens Drive on **20<sup>th</sup> February** or deliver to: Laura Moodie, Chair, Strathbungo Society, G/L, 33 Nithsdale Rd, Glasgow, G41 2AL by **25<sup>th</sup> February**.