



The Strathbungo Society

Minutes of Committee Meeting

Tuesday 21 March 2017

The Den, The Bungo, Nithsdale Road

Present: Kevin Kane (Chair) Nick Kempe (Treasurer), Alan Dobson, Jane Carolan, Imelda Devlin, Carol Dobson. **Apologies:** Scott Obrzud, Rosie Ilett, Loraine Forde, James Powsey, Heather Alexander.

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed member; apologies noted and in the absence of the Secretary, Carol Dobson kindly took notes.

2. Minutes and matters arising

The minute of 21 February 2017 was approved as an accurate record. **ACTION: to be placed on the Bungo Blog and Facebook page.**

Matters arising:

It was noted that the putative Clyde College student competition to design a new logo / branding for the Society had been explored and is not viable. **ACTION: Kevin to approach designer of the 2016 poster for BitBL to enquire whether available to produce a new logo for the Society.**

3. Events

a. Spring Fling

Members noted the update paper received from the planning group. All matters in hand for the event on Saturday 25th March 2017.

b. Bungo in the Back Lanes

Kevin noted that 'progress against plan' - as helpfully outlined in the BitBL Event Book – was mostly up to date, due mainly to Scott's hard work. Kevin noted that he has updated the 2017 Event Book and said he would place it in the Society Dropbox account so that all members could access and familiarise themselves on what needed to be done, when.

- the alcohol licensing application / and use areas are in hand (Scott via Stuart at Mulberry Street)
- Society's application to Pollokshields Area Partnership for a part-grant of £1,200 has been approved (Nick)

Actions agreed at the meeting included:

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- **Kevin to place updated 'Bungo in the Back Lanes 2017' Event Book on the Society's Dropbox**
- **Lorraine to ask Andrew Downie for the contact details of people who regularly help at BitBL and/or offer facilities**
- **Comms Team to develop an FAQ for BitBL on Society website / blog**
- **Kevin to ask whether James Powsey might be willing to organise musicians**
- **Jane Carolan to invite city buskers to perform & participate in a 'Bungo Busk Off'**
- **Alan Dobson to liaise with GCCS to 'strim & spray' the lanes prior to the event**
- **Imelda Devlin to seek residents' permission to use garden behind Nithsdale Road flats for the Children's Garden**
- **Agreed that any bouncy castle would only be considered by the Society if it was manned by the operator**
- **Port-a-loos to be sited at Pollokshaws Road end of the lane between RPS / Queens Square. Kevin to seek residents' agreement.**
- **Kevin to ask Lesley McCallum if she is willing to run the Bottle Stall, as usual**
- **Volunteers still required to run (i) Society Tombola and (ii) Society stalls.**
- **Kevin to ask whether Soul Riders would provide a free 'bike doctor' stall.**

4. Environment

a. Network Rail update

Kevin recorded his thanks to Andrew Downie and Fiona MacKinnon for their unstinting efforts to bring about a successful outcome for the Moray Place fencing works. **ACTION: Kevin to write to Ian Morrison at Network Rail to express the Society's appreciation of the effective community engagement which has led to a positive outcome.**

b. Brighter Bungo

Alan Dobson noted that 16 volunteers turned out on Sunday 19 March 2017. He noted some difficulties with the Council's revised 'pick up' arrangements and will liaise with his contact at the Council to ensure this is improved for the next, pre-BitBL clean up on **11 June 2017**.

Dog fouling in the lanes continues to be a problem. The Society has purchased cans of bio-degradable fluorescent chalk spray to highlight offending areas. It is hoped that over time this will act as a deterrent and improve the cleanliness of the lanes.

Members noted that there are ongoing litter 'hot spots' in the lane between Regent Park Square and Nithsdale Road and the lane behind the flats on Pollokshaws Road. It was agreed to draft a flyer informing residents that the lane behind their property had been cleaned up by volunteers from the Society and providing information on how to request bulk uplift. These flyers to be delivered ASAP after each clean up. **Action: the Brighter Bungo Team**

c. LES actions

Kevin provided an update on the LES issues previously raised with elected representatives. He has been in communication with Cllr David Meikle re. a survey of local pavements and is

following up the location of commercial bins on Nithsdale Road and the potential construction of a 'road table' at the entrance of Nithsdale Road from the Nithsdale roundabout.

Nick updated members on the **Pollokshields Trust** development plans emerging from the recent 'Make Your Mark' charrette. Members welcomed the proposal to link improvement of Nithsdale Road with development plans for Kildrostan Street.

5. Communications

Kevin noted his desire that the Society move having an updated, consistent and attractive logo / visual branding for all its communications (The Strathbungo News, Bungo Blog / updated website etc.) and events (eg Bungo in the Back Lanes, Bungo at the Bells, Brighter Bungo, Bungo Spring Fling, Bungo Birl (?) etc.). His preference was to develop the branding as used for the 2016 Bungo in the Back Lanes and to develop a simple template that could be used for other events etc.

6. AOB

Local election hustings: It was agreed to make a £50.00 donation to Pollokshields Trust towards the running costs of a local election hustings event to be held on 27 April 2017 in Pollokshields Burgh Hall.

Society support for national campaign for a deposit bottle return scheme: Members discussed a request from a national campaign group **HaveYouGotTheBottle.org** to support the introduction of a deposit return scheme in Scotland with the goal of reducing litter and increasing recycling in Scotland. There is no financial cost to the Society. **ACTION: It was agreed to lend the Society's support to this campaign.**

Free street closure of regent Park Square: Following on from the success of the Strathbungo Window Wonderland event, Kevin noted Sarah Reid's idea to seek a free, one day road closure for Regent Park Square (sometime in early June) under a national scheme to encourage community engagement. **Action: Kevin to discuss with Sarah and discuss at April meeting.**

Date and Time of next Committee Meeting:

Tuesday 18 April 2017, 7.30pm The Bungo, Nithsdale Road