

**Minutes of the Strathbungo Society
Tuesday, 16 February 2021 at 7pm**

Attending: Jane Carolan, Chair; Paola Rezzilli, Vice Chair; Steven Goode, Treasurer; Sharon Schweps, Secretary; Heather Alexander, Imelda Devlin, Andrew Downie, Ann Downie, Kevin Kane, Nick Kempe, James Spooner, Harriet Steymor. Guest: Fiona Mackinnon.

Item	Action
1. Minutes of 19 January 2021 meeting. Approved.	
2. Matters arising	
2.1 BiBL 21: An outdoor event looks unlikely, but we must at least stage a virtual event. Need to work out a budget and contact Pollokshields Area Partnership about a grant.	PR
2.2 Queens Park. No news on the Glasshouses. Friends of QP is being reconstituted and they are looking for representation from just one of the three community councils Kevin is on the board.	
3. Network Rail Electrification Project. NR have sweeping powers in delivering a national infrastructure scheme and it is time to inform the community of the impact this is likely to have, including the loss of our Victorian footbridge and Susie's, and to ask for help to influence the outcome where possible.	
3.1 What are the rules? Following an excessively bland response from NR, Jane to write again with specific questions about technical requirements and timetables.	JC
3.2 Get the information out there via the newsletter, blog and other social media, saying we welcome the many advantages of electrification but drawing attention to issues such as safeguards for fragile buildings during construction, suitable design and possibly relocation of the replacement footbridge, and upgrading or replacing the road bridge on Nithsdale Road.	JC, JS, PR, AndrewD
3.3 Things are going to change so how can we change them for the better? Agreed to design a simple survey of opinion across the community.	JC
3.4 Call for help from local architects, engineers, surveyors and other professionals in evaluating NR project plans and finding alternatives if need be.	As above

<p>3.5 Thanks to Fiona Mackinnon who submitted a discussion paper outlining a radical rethink of the current traffic and streetscape to create a greener, more pleasant environment.</p>	
<p>3.6 The listed and much-loved footbridge should not simply be scrapped. Agreed to approach the Transport Museum re finding a suitable place for it.</p>	NK
<p>4. Access path from Moray Pace to Titwood Road. No feedback as yet. Consult with Strathbungo & Shawlands Community Council about tactics.</p>	
<p>5. GCC Climate Emergency Action Plan Thanks to all who got involved in our response. Their reply promised a report – in due course!</p>	AndrewD
<p>6. Wider community representation</p>	
<p>6.1 Langside Halls Trust feasibility study. They have had over 400 responses so far, but are fairly light on organisations. As we might want t to use the space in future, agreed to respond to proposals at langsidehalls.com.</p>	KK
<p>6.2 Pollokshields Area Partnership. Yet more changes to green bin collations contemplated with 3-weekly collection being trialled across other areas in a bid to promote recycling</p>	
<p>6.3 Alexander Thomson Society AGM is set for 8 April.</p>	
<p>7. <i>Strathbungo News</i> - James needs to step back and wants to find a newsletter coordinator. Will also need a designer after this issue.</p>	JS
<p>8. 50th Anniversary. Sharon has been in touch with original organisers Mike Stanger and Robin Haddow and will get them together with Andrew.</p>	SS,
<p>9. Date of net meeting: Tuesday, 16 March 2021 at 7pm.</p>	AndrewD