



Strathbungo Society Minutes

19/11/24

Attendance: Paola Rezzilli, Steve Good, Jane Carolan, James Macbeth, Andrew Downie, Duncan Gammie, Les Peyto & Giminne Zwama

Apologies: Nick Kempe, Tom Nockolds, Rhys Crilley

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Titwood Residential Home:

Andrew Downie gave an update saying that there is a Pre Planning Consultation on the 4th December at The Point on Queens Drive. We suggested pitching the side footpath at the consultation and pointing out that Crossmyloof station is the only accessible train station in the area.

Network Rail:

Allan Young sent Paola a series of emails from the beginning of 2024 to Network Rail asking when the temporary depot will close and the wall re-instated on Darnley Street, which is directly across the railway track from his house on Moray Place. The noise is disrupting him and some others along that stretch most nights and weekends. Paola to email NR to ask for a timescale of the temporary depot. Also to email councillors regarding the closing off of lanes on Darnley Street for NR work.

Bungo at the Bells:

Teresa has said she will do BatBL again this year. She still has the equipment in her hallway. Giminne Zwame has said her boyfriend will do a new music playlist for a broad audience, including some music for the younger folk. Andrew Downie to send her the current playlist.

Bins:

There was a suggestion to ask on the blog and on street What's Apps for residents to keep a 2-3 week diary of bin collections so that we can report the findings to the cleansing department as the app seems to be of little use. If we can get a Strathbungo-wide indication of what bins are being missed and when, that might help with letting cleansing know what is happening in the area.

Lane Repairs:

Richard Birch will get a quote to Andrew Downie for the Vennard Lane repairs.

Gully Cleaning:

Marywood Square gully's were cleaned up recently.

Street Lighting:

There are numerous different styles of street lighting in Strathbungo, hardly any of them in keeping with a Conservation Area. It would be good to know if there is a current standing model of street light.

Fireworks:

Although passed, it was noted that this year was again bad for fireworks. We welcome the ban on fireworks in Pollokshields, but think there should be a government consensus for a blanket ban on selling fireworks to members of the public.

Windows Wanderland:

Happening on the 1st March 2025. Steve is still waiting to find out if our funding application has been successful. A poster is being designed and the workshop will happen.

Newsletter:

We agreed to postpone the December newsletter as it's so close to the November newsletter that has just been delivered. Instead, we will put a flyer out to the residents with the poster for Bungo at the Bells and Windows Wanderland (double sided flyer).

Paola suggested that we stop doing the newsletter, as there are only a few of us who contribute to it and we don't have the time. Others say that the residents enjoy having the newsletter delivered to them as not everyone is on social media. It was suggested therefore that we continue, but the next newsletter will be in time for Windows Wanderland towards the end of January/beginning of February and that we advertise for a newsheet team.

Queens Park Neighbourhood Plan:

Further to Richard Dye's presentation at the AGM last week, he asked if we could come up with some realistic suggestions about what we would like to do in 2 areas of Strathbungo – Nithsdale Road at Pollokshaws Road and the paved area outside Brodies.

One suggestion was for Rags To Riches to make another recycled plastic bench to be placed at Nithsdale Road. There is a bench they have made outside the Roma Centre on Nithsdale Street. The bench was made from waste plastic which has been collected from Queen's Park and the area, notably broken sledges after winter.

More suggestions are needed. Whatever is decided, the society will have to pay for it and maintain it.