HUTCHESONTOWN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MEETING OF TUESDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2014

ST FRANCIS CENTRE

ATTENDANCE; J Stewart, P Ingram, E Jackson, V McHugh, V travers, A Barkly,

D Clark, K Boyle, J McManus, J Hewitt, R Murray, S Ochouber,

VISITORS; I Balmer, PC I Gray, PC A Riley, F Stewart, Cllr Siddique, Cllr M Hunter, D Green, D Cairns, S Holleran, S McGrath, K Barfitt, A Kinchiston, (fire Brigade)

CHAIRPERSON; Welcomes everyone to the meeting

PREVIOUS MINUTES; ADOPTED BY J McMANUS AND J HEWITT

MATTERS ARISING; Community payback team now involved with clean up of Southern Necropolis, police are actively looking at youth disorder, Colin Mackie has volunteers helping him, J McManus spoke to volunteers and they may approach Jeff for more help.

Jeff explains he and some member went to a community payback event at Sherrif Court which explained what happened to participants of payback scheme and there were good outcomes in the form of some participants turning their lives around and obtaining jobs.

POLICE; BEAT 76

4 DRUGS I REPORTED, 4 STREET DRINKERS, 13 THEFT 1 REPORTED,

1 M/V THEFT, 1 ASSAULT, 1 VANDALISM

BEAT 77

3 DRUGS 1 REPORTED, 2 STREET DRINKERS, 11 THEFT 1 REPORTED,

8 ASSAULTS,

COMMENTS; there are no cctv at Turnlaw st and Benthall st, bushes overgrown at camera at Waterside st

Police reply call us and we will deal with it, all jobs are allocated in priority – no calls = no action, member states that everyone is fed up do not want to be named GRASS in area, Fraser interjects to say that they have ongoing meetings with police Tuesdays and Thursdays and member can phone housing office and make a complaint, member says they have lost faith in housing dealing with issues.

TREASURER REPORT £ 1693.96 balance in bank

HOUSING; fraser opens his discussion with some of what he has been dealing with; Thriving Places, stamping out Fuel Poverty, crown street engagement with residents group, New offices and medical centre.

Thriving places background- A M Millar brings together group consisting of partners from council, elected members, police, CHCP, fire services, to seek solutions that came to ahead as a result of a documentary about Child Poverty which centred in an around Sandiefield focussing on one child although from her articulance she did not seem to be (suffering for want of a better word), it was always thought that poor housing was the biggest contributory fact to poverty and when the rest of the tenants from Norfolk flats move to new housing we will not have substandard housing in the Gorbals, however, despite regeneration underlying poverty is still there.

With the Council now signed up to the single outcome agreement NGHA was asked to host Thriving Places which is committed to- community priority, community partnership, no extra monies,

Community Anchor group

Meet twice a week, joint initiatives with Jobs/business, fire services and other partners

Asking- how do we expand

Asset mapping report goes to committee next week then happy to show CC-

How do we share this info

Working with voluntary sector- community orientated

Thriving Places is in fact nothing at the moment

NGHA will get some monies to employ a Community Organiser to move into Community Engagement, there has been a lot of good work done before especially from the likes of the Community forum but all those monies are gone

Community Education that everyone remembers did valuable work

We will engage with citizens panels, community councils, tenants and residents groups, community groups believe it or not the police are doing a better job than 7 years ago with more on the ground.

Christie report- public expenditure out of control

Need communities involved early

Work with existing orgs- Go well project, Glasgow Centre for peoples health

Comments; does not feel like a community anymore, no-one knows what is happening in area, others not sure which community is going to be engaged with, monkey puzzle in McNeil st library building.

NEW COLLEGE BUILDING; Ian came along advising us build is progressing well, toilet modules are in, showed impressive images of completed buildings. Asked again for charities from the local area that may be looking for funds.

FIRE SERVICES; came along to tell us what they are doing in relation to anti social behaviour in relation to fireworks- going into primary schools and secondary schools with presentation on the results of misuse of fireworks seems to be working well in the last few years.

Hotline number on Council website to tell of any bonfire sites so they can be dismantled- this seems to be working. Police deal with incidents of firework throwing. CCTV can be looked at to catch culprits. This year Police will be at all Fire stations to ride along with Fire service to visit any incidents.

11thOctober-15th November fireworks can be sold and also 26th December to 31st December, 3 days before divalii and the Chinese new year.

Fire services have no powers to ask residents to clear closes of rubbish, Council have legislative powers in this area. Council takes 21 days to pick up rubbish in streets

Fire engines unable to get down areas at McNeil street. Hydrants covered by Scottish water so fire services are bringing more engines to each incident in this area, also had to ask Scottish water to remove porto cabins at Riverside.

Derilect properties as at time of Commonwealth games we are trying to secure so that no fire incidents can occur.

COUNCILLORS REPORT; CLLR HUNTER- has been unwell this past month and just returning to work main issues are parking and enquired about bulk uplifts and these should be done within 14 days

CLLR SIDDIQUE- again issues of parking, good meeting with Crown street reps another meeting in January

Happy that James Stoke memorial has been fixed **invitation to attend** ceremony on 29th October 1.15pm

Albert Bridge after the recent uncertainty glad to report that it has been put out to tender again and we have asked for an update once the new bidder has been identified. Dog fouling still an issue

Comments- park at flats no bins, shute not fixed, gate not fixed, dog owners allowing dogs to use park, ripping up astroturf.

Buses and lack of, 31 has been taken of crown st and put to Gorbals st where all buses run along- ask for spt to come along

Events at Green- a lot more events, causing major noise with no consultation, half the site being blocked for park visitors. **Invite someone along to talk about events to be held.**

CORRESPONDANCE; Parks Management group, event in banqueting hall in Chambers- sat. November 15th **Veronica will attend**

Chair; comments on 3 potential new members that have come along tonight to see if they would be interested in attending meetings, one visitor was advised that their address would enable them to join Laurieston Community Council. Jeff told all at meeting that there was 5 places available and that with Steven there would be an advertisement put out for new members.

Date of next meeting; November 18th