



Langside Battlefield & Camphill Community Council

Minutes for the meeting held on Tuesday 4 November 2025, 7pm till 9pm
at Finn's Place, 167 Ledard Road, G42 9QU

1) Welcome, Introductions and Apologies:

Members present: Richard Mason, Emily Benita, Guy Dorey, Richard Dye, Claire Conaghan, Josh Henderson, Yann Sweeney, Diane Osprey

Members' apologies: Graham Stark, Russell Ecob, Alistair King

Others present: Cllr Stephen Docherty, Liz Devine (visiting), Laura Hunter (visiting), Gerri (visiting), Kevin (visiting)

2) Minutes of Last Meeting:

The minutes of the last meeting held on 7 October 2025 had been circulated.
RM proposed these for approval, DO seconded; the minutes were noted as approved.

3) Matters Arising (Not covered elsewhere):

None.

4) Community Police Report:

No police representative attended the meeting.

RM rose that on match days at Hampden, coaches park alongside Queen's Park, were seen to be idling despite signage saying not to, which could be disruptive to the residential properties that are now there.

Council members noted that shoplifting arrests had been made in the past month, which hopefully will lead to reduction in the shoplifting occurring around Battlefield and Shawlands.

Liz commented that a bike theft had occurred in her close, despite the bike being locked up in the close. Uncertain as to the police response, though they had been called. JH suggested posting warnings of increase in this kind of seasonal opportunist theft on the community council's social

platforms.

5) GCC Councillor Report:

Cllr Paul Leinster said he would send a written report in his absence.

Cllr Stephen Docherty gave updates.

Flags

SD discussed with the Chief Executive to remove the flags on lampposts in the area prior to football fixtures at the weekend, having received a number of complaints about the flags.

Controlled Parking Zones Consultation

In regards to the controlled parking zones and consultation, SD commented that Langside had no problem before, now around 44 cars during the day, difficult to park at night, before taking match days into account. He emphasised that decent parking options were required. The Queen's Park cycle lane has shifted cars that had previously parked there to Langside. SD had spoken to Net Zero about pressuring the Scottish government to improve public transport rather than punish car users, opting for a collective approach. SD is considering meeting with the manager at Hampden to discuss concessions for alternatives to parking, such as free bus drop-off. Members touched on the SPT bus franchising and Living Rent's campaign to use tourist tax to put towards investment in public transport.

JH commented on the "top down" nature of how the consultation has been publicised and designed by the council, that it appears to be the opposite of community development. SD (cars not going away anytime soon, integrate better - affordable, reliable, sustainable - public transport offer, political will and substantial funds from Scottish government, 2030 Net Zero emissions target, requires radical change) DO commented that the consultation process is difficult to find, no letter has been received by residents in the area, how is a reasonable consultation response expected by the deadline of 15 December? CC asked what powers we have to reject the current proposals and counter. SD suggested writing to Glasgow City Council. YS asked whether any data about car ownerships and types of vehicles in the area was available, SD didn't know but said he'd try to find out. CC suggested a survey to understand the gap between parking space resource and demand.

Commonwealth Games Volunteers Uptake

JH asked about numbers of volunteers uptake for Commonwealth Games, given that the deadline has been extended. SD wasn't sure but would follow up.

6) Local Issues raised or reported by members of the public:

Prospecthill Road / Crosshill Road

Kevin asked SD about the status of the objection (50+ objections submitted) to building flats with accompanying small car park near Prospecthill Road and Crosshill Road, with a new design for much higher flats, speaking to Grange Road residents about the storey creep of that development and concerns about the aesthetic change to the area's character, infrastructure concerns, and that they feel that they haven't been consulted at all. The original proposal was made by Collective Architecture in 2021. SD and CC responded regarding members AK and RE's expertise in the area of

planning and experience of Grange Road development. RD gave details about the Couper Institute open consultations for recent developments (add details). SD gave his contact details for updates and direct assistance. RM raised the possibility of building more amenities in the area. Kevin and the members shared concerns about adding residential capacity without accompanying amenities facilities.

On-street Bins

Laura and Gerri asked about on-street key-accessible bins introduction in the area, particularly in regards to how this will be integrated with future parking zones. EB passed on that Cllr Holly Bruce had emailed with an estimate of 18 months from now. JH asked about the reason for introducing them, whether there'd be increased pick-up or the same frequency of pick-up. SD main reason for introduction is to do with health and safety as some closes, such as on Kilmarnock Road, access to back lanes is tricky, wheelie bins can block pavements, and health risks posed to refuse collection staff. RM spoke of concerns about flytipping, perhaps a citywide roll-out would mitigate this risk, and emphasised the importance of consulting the community about the roll-out and best placement.

Pavements

Liz raised the ongoing issue of the poor state of the pavements at Lochleven Road, with only partial resurfacing having been completed along Battlefield Road.. SD gave contact details to discuss further.

7) Planning Report:

AK gave updates in his absence.

A planning notice has been allocated to the community council's area for a coffee outlet on the Shawlands Cross side of Hugs&Mugs cafe for a re-clad shipping container. The application number is 25/00672/FUL. The community council agreed to leave this notice to Shawlands and Strathbungo Community Council, as it was in their area.

A PAN notice is pending for the Victoria site. No details as yet but the community council should be contacted for consultation process in advance of a full application. AK suggested it could be changed to a listed building, maybe housing. The applicant is Beech Grove Homes and the application number is 25/02527/PAN. RD gave details of the Couper Institute drop-in to be held on 19 November, 4-8pm, and observed the continuing reduction of community assets and services.

SD notified that the Old Victoria gatehouse building has been confirmed to be beyond repair.

8) Licensing Report:

None.

9) AGM

RD gave an accounts report, which he will also send to Glasgow City Council. The year end of September accounts had been audited by the treasurer of Shawlands and Strathbungo.

Income of £1056 total, coming from the council grant of £656 a year, and a discretionary grant to

allow for promotion of the community council at £400. Expenditure of £1118 total, made up of printing £370, £115 website, £273 room hire, £270 minutes secretary. Deficit of -£62, with £1700 brought forward.

GD will follow up with an AGM report to circulate with council members for final approval at the December meeting.

10) LBCCC Interim Elections

Open for elections from today (Tuesday 4th November) with a 28th November deadline for nomination forms to be received by Glasgow City Council, in order for decisions to be made at the 2nd December meeting. These public notices will be placed in at least three public locations. Finn's Place, Couper Institute, Tesco Noticeboard, and Langside Library were suggested. There are five vacancies, and will also be publicised on the community council's website and social media.

11) LBCCC Response to QP's Glasshouse Closure:

RD is looking to meet with Shawlands and Strathbungo Community Council to explore setting up a stakeholder meeting, given how confusing and contradictory the information around the Glasshouse closure has been.

RM attended the Queen's Park Working Group (QPWG) meeting. [Rachel Smith, closures around 1-2 days for spot building work, which contradicts email from NRS, budgetary decision a couple of years ago that was delayed, Susan Aitken's written reply where permanent closure was expressed. Move responsibility to another body, SRUC mentioned. Seemed keen to engage community in consultation, RM suggestion of community allotments, SD not viable economically, feasibility study should be opened up to community, RM will follow up with Rachel Smith at NRS, RD's ongoing discussion with Cllr PL, organise public meeting in new year once some clarity on information has been confirmed]

12) LBCCC Response to Parking Consultation

The community council members in attendance disagreed with the current consultation process, concerned that letters outlining the consultation had not been received by residents and that the online consultation was difficult to find. SD suggested opening up dialogue with Glasgow City Council.

The present members agreed to send a formal objection to GCC through councillors ASAP. GD offered to draft the letter. RD will arrange a meeting with other community councils to explore this and other converging issues more, as well as how best to engage the wider community.

Post-meeting update: Letter was sent to councillors on Friday 7 November and a meeting with other relevant Community Councils was planned for Tuesday 18 November.

13) Monthly ward walk around w/ S&S CC

Shawlands and Strathbungo community council suggested a monthly walk-around with neighbouring community councils and the council's street cleaning team to indicate and address hotspots. As better street cleaning has been promised, there was some reluctance as to the community council's need to participate in this kind of activity. SD said he is in discussions with the head of street cleaning to improve the quality of the cleans, and that members are welcome to

identify hotspots to pass on to SD to address with the street cleaning team.

14) Community Engagement in LBCCC:

The success of banners and flyers was clear from the increased presence of public members to the meeting, JH and RM said they would continue to flyer. Businesses remain apprehensive about engaging with displaying flyers. RM offered to draft and design a business engagement survey, especially to gauge the potential impact of permits on them as well, not just residents.

Main shorter-term focus of the community council was agreed to be on the parking consultation and Glasshouses, further to collaboration with other community councils.

15) Correspondence:

As mentioned earlier in the meeting, Cllr Holly Bruce emailed to say that on-street bin hub implementation was estimated to be another 18 months away.

YS will continue a conversation with Kim, head of the Langside Estate residents group, who got in touch with the community council through email / website form.

16) Social Media / Web Development:

Members allocated social media rota dates for November as follows:

Richard Mason first week

Josh Henderson second week

Claire Conaghan third week

Richard Dye fourth week

GD will discuss web development in a report next month.

17) Treasurer's report:

RD reported that the balance is £1,708.04.

18) AOB:

Christmas drinks after the next meeting.

19) Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 2 December 2025 at 7pm at Finn's Place