



LANGSIDE, BATTLEFIELD & CAMPHILL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on

Tuesday, 7th July 2026, 7.00 pm-9.00 pm

at

Finn's Place, 167 Ledard Road, G42 9QU

ACTION

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & APOLOGIES

Members Present: Josh Henderson (JH), Claire Conaghan (CC), Richard Mason (RM), Russell Ecob (RE), Diane Osprey (DO), Andrew Hoolachan (AH).

Members Apologies: Guy Dorey, Richard Dye, Councillor Susan Aitken

Others Present: PC Birnie, PC Taylor, Lyn Alexander (Minutes)

JH opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

JH advised that the minutes from the last meeting were in order. JH advised that, due to issues logging onto the website, these were still to be uploaded. RM stated that he too was unable to log in. JH to advise GD of these issues. GD to resolve and upload minutes.

GD

3. MATTERS ARISING (Not Covered Elsewhere)

JH advised that he had attended a meeting of the Federation of Community Councils. This will be covered in greater detail under AOB.

4. COMMUNITY POLICE REPORT

RM asked the officers if they were aware of the recent graffiti which had appeared on the White Card Walkway. The officers were not aware of this and asked what the graffiti was eg. "tags" or racial. RM stated that the graffiti was "tags".

JH asked what happens to those individuals caught by the police. PC Birnie advised that, for example, if the graffiti is classed as racial/hate crime the individuals would be reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

DO asked when the graffiti had appeared, but this was not known. DO stated that we are now in the school holiday period.



PC Birnie stated that he, together with PC Taylor would visit the Walkway after the meeting and take pictures of the graffiti.

**PC Birnie/
PC Taylor**

RD raised the issue of groups of kids on bikes. PC Birnie advised that this is a major issue for the police. PC Birnie advised that the police have an e-Bike Action Plan. As part of that Plan plain clothes officers are operating locally. PC Birnie advised that 6 bikes have been confiscated locally. PC Birnie advised that some of the bikes are travelling at more than 36 mph. DO asked where the bikes had been seized from. PC Birnie advised that the bikes were taken from the local area, Shawlands, Victoria Road & Cathcart Road.

As some of these bikes are classed as mechanically propelled vehicles, once confiscated, they will be crushed.

PC Birnie advised that e-scooters are also an issue.

Discussion took place around the safety of these bikes/scooters and the impact on pedestrians and other road users. PC Birnie advised that the kids often have their faces covered, are on the pavement or travelling in the wrong direction on the road.

JH asked the officers what advice they could offer to residents who encounter such issues. PC Birnie advised that, if possible, they could take photographs of them and e-mail them to the local police office **LangsideCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk**

DO asked the officers if new CCTV cameras had been installed near Paesano's at the junction of Pollokshaws Road/Minard Road. PC Birnie was not aware of these but would investigate.

PC Birnie advised that Retailers Against Crime is a privately funded initiative. Five reports had been made in the local area. PC Birnie advised that between now and 3rd August 2 officers will be dealing with shoplifting crime in the local area. Additional officers will be present in the community due to school holidays.

Discussion took place around shoplifting locally & DO highlighted the ongoing issues with the Sainsbury's in Muirend.

DO asked the officers if they are present in Queens Park due to the events taking place. PC Birnie confirmed that officers are present in the Park and Linn Park.

PC Birnie advised that there have been 2 reports of sexual exposure in Queens Park ("flashers").

PC Birnie advised that their standard summer procedure is active which includes focusing on park patrols and shoplifting.

CC asked if there had been any reports on cannabis cultivation locally. PC Birnie confirmed one incident of 30 plants, but outwith the local area.



PC Birnie highlighted issues with motorcycles being targeted locally and stolen with up to 4/5 bikes per day. The bikes are stolen, driven and then burnt out with videos then being circulated on social media. PC Birnie advised that 26 bikes have been stolen in recent weeks.

CC advised of an abandoned motor cycle on Dundrennan Road which has been there for some time. CC will report this to the Council. CC

PC Birnie advised residents to call the police if they witness individuals attempting to steal motor cycles.

PC Birnie advised that the local area will have 2 new police officers. These officers will now attend the Community Council meetings. JH asked if the Community Council could be advised of their names in due course. PC Birnie will ask for this information to be emailed to LBCCC Admin admin@langsidecommunity.org.uk PC Birnie

5. GCC COUNCILLOR'S REPORT & QUESTIONS

JH advised that Councillor Aitken is on holiday and unable to attend the meeting.

JH mentioned that a copy of the rota is required for Councillors' attendance at future CC meetings. RM will chase to obtain a copy. RM

JH received a response from Councillor Aitken's office on the recent speculation and statements surrounding the Queens Park Glasshouse and conveyed this to the meeting. Councillor Aitken's office highlighted misinformation surrounding the proposed closure advising that funding had been successfully secured for the Glasshouse not necessarily to close.

Discussion took place around the response received from Councillor Aitken's office. It was felt that there were areas of contradiction together with a lack of information around the proposed general upkeep & maintenance of the building.

RM advised that he had attended a Working Group Meeting for the Glasshouse. Low key discussions are ongoing with several potential occupiers with limited information available. RM suggested that the Working Group could possibly attend the Community Council meeting.

DO advised that she is waiting on a response from Councillor Holly Bruce on a few items, including the Glasshouse.

CC felt that there could be better use of the momentum gained from recent events. RM stated that whilst we are aware of the Council's 20-year plan for buildings, a general reminder of funding for cultural assets has been badly communicated.

RM suggested that the Glasshouse could be a hub for bio diversity.

CC recalled that the Glasshouse was once used as for a flower delivery service by the Council.



JH stated that significant capital investment is required with funding perhaps sought from an external source. Demonstrations take place at the Glasshouse on a Saturday with meetings on a Tuesday evening at the Nithsdale Centre. JH to reach out to the Working Group, be added to their mailing list and keep up to date with the campaign from their viewpoint.

JH

JH reported that part of Grange Road has been resurfaced. This was noted as a positive outcome for the Community Council. JH asked in what areas the Community Council could become actively involved to help fulfil their role locally.

CC mentioned the proposed crossing point from the new Sanctuary flats to Queens Park and whether this could perhaps be brought forward. DO advised that this decision falls within the remit of the Langside Area Partnership.

CC raised the subject of cycle lanes. Discussion took place on whether these were now complete. DO advised that building works are still ongoing at the Sanctuary development. Further works will be undertaken to once these works are complete and the additional infrastructure was in place. DO will raise the issue with Councillor Aitken/Sanctuary.

DO

CC asked if we could obtain an updated response from Sanctuary.

AH raised the condition of the road surface at the Battlefield Rest end of Grange Road near the bus stop. RM highlighted a resident previously raising the poor condition of the pavements in that location. DO advised that, as Councillor Aitken had been very helpful in resolving previous issues highlighted to her, she would e-mail Councillor Aitken's to advise her of the issues at these locations.

DO

RM felt that the Glasgow City Council website was restrictive, cumbersome and not user friendly. RM gave an example when submitting a missed bin report, the website immediately closes the report with no action taken as the issue has been reported elsewhere. The Council App is also poor when trying to report issues.

CC asked if there was an update on Connecting Battlefield as it appears to have been delayed from early 2025, delayed until February 2026. Councillor Holly Bruce had previously indicated a new start date of September 2026 with works to be completed within a 48-week period. DO to e-mail Councillor Aitken requesting an update.

DO

Link to Connecting Battlefield: [Connecting Battlefield](#)

Link to Liveable Neighbourhoods: [Liveable Neighbourhoods - Glasgow City Council](#)



6. QUEEN'S PARK GLASSHOUSE

This item was covered earlier in the meeting.

7. COMMUNITY GRANTS FUND

JH advised that this item has been on the Agenda from the last meeting. JH suggested social media posts to the wider community with their suggestions for wishes. RE asked how much was available. JH stated that pots of £250 were available for desire & wishes to any organisation within the Glasgow City Council region. An organisation will then provide contracted work. JH advised that labour is the most popular item requested.

For example, JH stated that construction/decorating/value of labour could be undertaken to the value of £1,000. RE asked if this grant is ongoing with JH confirming that it was.

DO asked if the grant could provide tangible support e.g. for a club. DO asked for examples so that the Community Council is clear on what can be done. JH will obtain a list of contractors to be used but advised that they are under no obligation to undertake the work. JH stated that this is worthwhile initiative as it is free for the community.

JH

8. LANGSIDE AREA PARTNERSHIP

DO advised that the Partnership, chaired by Councillor Holly Bruce, is now closed until September. Unfortunately, DO is not available for the September meeting. DO asked if someone else was available to attend. DO will advise of the next meeting date.

DO

9. LOCAL ISSUES – RAISED OR REPORTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CC mentioned the Council's gully cleaning programme. Notices have recently appeared locally on lampposts to advise of works. From discussions it emerged that it is really a drain cleaning exercise and not a fully gully clean i.e. including street sweep. It was agreed that a more comprehensive cleaning routine would be beneficial. DO will raise this issue.

DO

CC asked if there was a list of dates for the cleaning programme. JH advised that he had posted a link on social media advising of the dates and locations. JH asked if everyone could observe if the works have been undertaken correctly.

ALL

10. PLANNING REPORT

AH advised that there was nothing to report.

AH asked those present if there were areas of vacant ground locally that we could investigate further. For example, the vacant site at Prospecthill Road/Grange Road which has been boarded up for several years. RE advised that there is a proposal for flats at this location which has received objections from residents.

[25/00392/FUL | Erection of flatted residential development, includes access, car parking, landscaping and associated works. | Site Incorporating 75 Grange Road Bounded By Prospecthill Road/ Grange Road Glasgow](#)



DO highlighted the gap site on Sinclair Drive between the old Frank's shop & the Nursery which has been vacant for several years. CC recalled a planning application for flats/town houses at this location. The area has a makeshift fence, is overgrown with rubbish on site and is being used by dog walkers.

AH

AH will investigate the history and status of both sites mentioned.

Post Meeting Note: Link below to the most recent planning application which has now been withdrawn.

[24/02982/FUL | Erection of mixed used development comprising 14 no. residential flats with ground floor restaurant \(Class 3\), to include access, car parking and soft landscaping \(Section 42 application to remove conditions 26, 27 and 28 of 16/00102/DC\) – Renewal of planning permission 21/03134/FUL. ##WITHDRAWN## | 8 – 10 Sinclair Drive Glasgow](#)

11. LICENSING REPORT

CC advised of 3 Licence Applications noted below:

- 11.1** Variation of Premises Licence at Armstrong's Public House, 136 Battlefield Road, Glasgow submitted by Greene King. The variation proposes to add bar meal facilities within core licensed hours.
- 11.2** Variation of Premises Licence at The Battlefield Rest, 56 Battlefield Road, Glasgow submitted by San Marco (Scotland) Limited c/o TLT Scotland Limited. The variation proposes to a) allow reception and recorded music facilities outwith core licensed hours; b) add live performances, films and televised sports facilities within and outwith core licensed hours; and c) add the following wording to Further Information, 'Recorded music may be played within and outwith core licensed hours for the benefit of staff and customers. Televised sports may be played within and outwith core licensed hours including special sporting events. Films may be shown and live performances may occur within and outwith core licensed hours.
- 11.3** Variation of Premises Licence at Sylvan La Cave, 44 Sinclair Drive, Glasgow submitted by Wine Shops International. The variation proposes to a) add on sales facilities Monday to Sunday, 11.00am to 12 Midnight; b) add seasonal variations; c) add receptions and bar meals within and outwith core licensed hours; d) add the following wording to Further Information, 'The premises may open prior to core licensed hours and all activities may be available during this time.'; e) permit children and young persons 0-17 years, access to all public parts of the premises under the following terms, 'Children aged 14 and above and young persons are permitted unaccompanied when using shop facilities, but otherwise both children and young persons require to be accompanied by an adult, children will be permitted access until 9pm unless attending a function or event, young persons will be permitted access until 11pm unless attending a function or event; and f) amend the layout plan of the premises to show an on sales capacity of 20 persons.



Discussion on this Application took place as it is situated below and adjacent to residential properties. Any residents who will be impacted by this Variation are able to object through the normal channels.

12. SOCIAL MEDIA/WEB DEVELOPMENT

JH advised that GD has updated the website and updated the licence for e-mail whilst using the same platform. JH noted this as a positive move.

13. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN LBCCC

JH asked everyone for thoughts to perhaps be discussed at the September/October meetings in advance of a preliminary Hustings in April 2027. **ALL**

14. COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

JH asked how we could encourage residents to stand for election. Discussion took place around attempts to gather local support, with venue and location ideas being considered. A suggestion by DO was to have a stand at the 2 local primary schools (Langside Primary & Battlefield Primary) before/after a parents' evening. DO will obtain dates for possible meetings. **DO**

CC suggested Finn's Place as a possibility having good footfall, but this may be restrictive due to ongoing activities at the location. JH mentioned that Armstrong's has an area which may be available for hire. Langside College was also mentioned as a possible venue. DO advised that Langside Heritage Trust is well attended. DO will check the calendar for meeting dates to possibly set up a stand at their meeting. **DO**

JH proposed sourcing a venue with similar facilities to the library. JH also noted that Tony had been helpful previously and will contact him again. **JH**

DO asked if we could investigate any local venues being used as part of Doors Open Day in September with the possibility of setting up a board/signs as a presence. The Glad Café is a possibility with Camphill Mansions above being a popular attraction due to the rooftop garden.

CC suggested targeting parents who volunteer with prep work in advance of the Halloween Parade.

DO queried if current elected members must re-apply. JH confirmed that re-application is required.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

JH has been contacted by a local resident advising of an issue following clearing works undertaken by the Council at the White Cart. The Council has left behind leaves, twigs, bushes, etc. JH showed the photographs provided by the resident to the meeting. JH advised that he would contact Councillor Holly Bruce for clarification on the Council's Green Waste Policy. **JH**



JH advised that the Community Council has been invited to attend the Netball at the Commonwealth Games on Sunday, 26th July from 9.00 am-12.30 pm at The Hydro. Two tickets are available for use. ALL

16. TREASURER'S REPORT

No report was available for the meeting. JH will obtain a copy of this.

Post Meeting Note: RD provided the following update: The LBCCC bank account has a current balance of £1,804.09 with expenditure in June of £225.72. Non-recurring costs of £192 related to the website and moving the Community Council domain alongside regular monthly costs of £27 room hire and bank charges of £4.25.

17. AOB

17.1 JH advised that he had attended a meeting of the Federation of Community Councils (FCC) held at The Trades Hall in Glasgow. This is an avenue for networking and enhancing the voice of local community councils. No member of Glasgow City Council will sit on the FCC. JH stated that from 72 local community councils, 20 have signed up. More will be encouraged to join. The Chair of the FCC is Frank Plowright from Dennistoun Community Council with elected officers, Chair & Secretary. Quarterly meetings will be held with the AGM in September. JH felt it was beneficial working closer with other Community Councils across the City. JH also advised that each Community Council will have 2 seats on the FCC. The FCC meeting is open to the public. The next meeting will be in September/October. JH advised that one other member of the LBCCC can attend. ALL

JH advised that the FCC is seeking a venue to hold their meetings. JH may know of a venue and will make enquiries. JH

17.2 RE asked if there was news on Langside Halls. A decision has been taken to upgrade the ground floor of the building. RE asked if we could press for an update. CC suggested to wait until possibly September/October due to involvement with the events in Queen's Park.

17.3 RM mentioned the presence of giant hogweed along the River. This was previously reported to the Council who advised that it is the responsibility of Scottish Water. The issue is going round in circles with no resolution. RM will revisit this to resolve. RM

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 1ST September 2026 at 7.00 pm.