



## **UPHALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024 in Uphall Community Centre**

In attendance: Irene Bishop (chair), David Flight, Lynne McEwen, Jonathan Moore, Pippa Plevin, George Scott.

Apologies: Cllr Janet Campbell, Cllr Diane Calder

1. The minutes of the May meeting were agreed proposed by David Flight, seconded by Jonathan Moore.
2. Matters arising from previous minutes

Solar notice boards have been erected

Solar posts at present in the Community Centre waiting to be installed.

Jonathan completed our response regarding the Community Council Review Scheme

Flyers on Defibrillators have been distributed to businesses.

King Charles portrait was presented to the Community Centre at the AGM

Westhall Gardens: Planning application was refused

### **3. Reports**

Treasurer: £40.00 paid for ICO. Present balance £2110.57

Planning: Erection of detached garage, boundary fence and formation of driveway in Alexander Street. Planning permission given

Extension to an Industrial Building in Uphall Estates granted

Removal of a conservatory and extension in East Main Street granted

Change of use from open space to storage yard om Westhall Gardens refused

BUTCMG: No report

## Joint Forum

A public meeting to discuss the Community Centre Review will be held in September.

**Scheme Review:** Further meetings of the Scheme Review Working Group have taken place with Lorraine McGrorty. A first draft of the Scheme has been produced. This will form a report to the CPR PDSP on 27th August.

The next meeting of the Joint Forum is on 22nd August by Google Meet. WLCAN Hub has opened its applications for grants. The new WLCAN website has been launched with information and resources. A successful Gather and Grow Food event was held.

## EANAB

A new look EANAB website has gone live. The Scottish Government has commissioned work on the development of modelling and Mapping to describe the noise exposure on Scotland and produce a new noise action plan. The public consultation will begin in August 2024. Scotland Noise website has further information. A collaborative ACP Reference group with participation from EANAB is being set up to assess the effectiveness and user friendliness of the ACP consultation materials before publication.

## 4. Community Centres

Community Centres, Partnership Centres and village halls have been given three options by the Council in a money saving process. Concern was expressed that each option involves volunteers in running the centres, employing staff and managing the building upkeep. Basic running and staffing costs are approximately £150,000 plus licenses, insurances, etc. Whilst we appreciate the financial concerns of the Council we are concerned at the detrimental effect this will have on the community if the centre has to close. A letter will be sent to local councilors, MP, MSP and Graham Hope stating our concerns.

5. Purple poppy: Service will be held on Friday 24th August.

## 6. Correspondence

From Graham Whitelaw asking for update on solar posts. Awaiting installation.