

# **Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel**

## **Minutes of Meeting**

**Tuesday 7 March 2017**

**Falkirk Fire Station**

**7.15pm – 9pm**

### **1. Present**

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| Tracy Cameron     | Chair/Safer Langlees and Bainsford                   |
| Moira Heeps       | Vice-Chair/Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel |
| George Forster    | Treasurer/Watson Street Area NHW                     |
| Madelene Hunt     | Bo'ness Community Safety Group                       |
| Chris McNaught    | Bo'ness NHW                                          |
| Stuart McAllister | Bo'ness Community Safety Group                       |
| Diane Stewart     | Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel            |
| Stuart Caplan     | Mungahhead Road NHW                                  |
| Alex Bean         | Grangemouth NHW                                      |
| Pat Mason         | Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel            |
| Emma Wilson       | Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel            |
| PC Dru Baker      | Falkirk Council Community Liaison Officer (Police)   |
| Robert Thomson    | Falkirk Council Community Liaison Officer (Fire)     |
| Tom McDougall     | Minute Secretary                                     |

### **2. Apologies**

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| Cllr Jim Blackwood | Falkirk Council Public Protection Portfolio |
| Mark Cameron       | Safer Langlees and Bainsford                |

### **3. Welcome**

The Chair opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

### **4. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of 24 January 2017 were approved by Moira Heeps and seconded by Dru Baker.

### **5. Matters Arising**

#### **5.1 Bo'ness Community Safety Group (BCSG)**

Madelene advised members that an incident had occurred at the BCSG porta cabin whereby two cuts had been made to the fabric of the roller door that would obviously be required to be repaired. Madelene indicated that it is likely that this damage had been caused as a result of vandalism and that the incident would be reported to the Police.

#### **5.2 Schools Quiz**

Moira advised members that a number of positive responses had been received from some of the schools in the Braes area and indicated that she expected a few more after the Easter break. With such a positive response, it was agreed that we were on course to hold an event in October.

**Action: Moira to advise members of any further developments.**

#### **5.3 Panel Funding**

Moira indicated that she had nothing else to report in regard to further funding for the current year.

### **6. Panel Initiatives**

#### **Falkirk Herald:**

Stuart Caplan advised members that, as promised, he had e-mailed The Falkirk Herald to ask if they would run an article on the workings of the Panel.

At the time of the meeting he had not received a response but said that in any case he expected it was likely that the reporter would make contact with either Tracy or Moira

**Action: Tracy/Moira to make members aware of any contact with The Falkirk Herald.**

#### **‘Wee Jaunt’ Cycle Event**

The Chair advised members that she had been advised by Cycling Scotland, the organisers of the ‘Wee Jaunt’ cycle event is to take place in Falkirk on 7 May. She said that the Panel would be welcome to attend the event but cautioned that Cycling Scotland was asking for £50 fee to secure a table. Following discussion, it was agreed that we should bypass this event. However, the Chair did say that she would query the cost but was not confident of a positive response.

**Action: Tracy to make contact with Cycling Scotland and report back.**

#### **Cycle/Garden Shed Leaflet**

Stuart handed out an updated version of crime prevention leaflets on pedal cycle and shed security that he had created since the last meeting. Moira advised that she had made efforts to liaise with Police Scotland for approval but due to Dru moving offices and his IT equipment still to be installed, she had been unable to make contact with him but had spoken with a contact at Falkirk Police Office who had viewed the leaflets positively. A short discussion ensued whereby Stewart was complimented on his work; Dru was then asked if he could liaise with the corporate communications department of Police Scotland with a request that they approve the documents and allow their logo be added to the leaflets printed for future use.

**Action: Dru to report the thoughts of Police Scotland at next meeting.**

#### **7. Treasurer’s Report**

The Treasurer then reported the following:

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| Small Grants account: | £1062.79 |
| General Bank Account: | £ 67.21  |

#### **8. AOB**

##### **The Braes Community Café**

Moira advised that the above event is due to take place at the Braes High School between 6pm – 9.30pm on 27 March. She indicated that it was likely that the Panel would be involved in the health and wellbeing market place and although she would be attending, she welcomed support from other members on the night.

**Action: members to liaise with Moira re this event. Moira to report back to next meeting.**

#### **Panel Facebook Page**

Emma made members aware that the Panel’s Facebook page was slowly progressing. Following a short discussion, Emma and Stuart agreed to make efforts to progress this initiative.

**Action: Emma/Stuart to report on progress of Facebook page.**

#### **AGM**

George advised members that he had booked the Falkirk Chambers for the AGM which is to be held on 6 June 2017.

#### **9. Date of Future Meetings**

The Chair thanked members for attending and advised that the next meeting is due to take place at **7.15pm** at Falkirk Fire Station on:

**Tuesday 30 May 2017**

# **Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel**

**Meeting Tuesday 18 April 2017**

**Falkirk Fire Station**

## **AGENDA**

**1 Present**

**2 Apologies**

**3 Welcome**

**4 Minutes of Meeting on 7 March 2017**

**5 Matters Arising**

**5.1 Bo'ness Community Safety Group (BCSG)**

**5.2 Schools Quiz**

**5.3 Panel Funding**

**5.4 Panel Initiatives**

**5.5 AGM**

**6. Treasurer's Report**

**7. AOB**

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

**30 May 2017**