

Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel

Minutes of Meeting

Tuesday 20 February 2024

Morrison's Supermarket Community Room, Falkirk

6.30pm – 7.45pm

1. Present

Moira Heeps	Chair/Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel
George Forster	Treasurer/Watson Street Area NHW
Stuart Caplan	Vice Chair/Mungahhead Road NHW
Stuart McAllister	Bo'ness Community Safety Group
Diane Stewart	Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel
Tom McDougall	Minute Secretary

2. Apologies

Chris McNaught	Bo'ness NHW
Madelene Hunt	Bo'ness Community Safety Group

3. Welcome:

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending. In regard to the Chair's comments at the previous meeting, she indicated that she had contacted Sergeant Neil Forsyth as promised and he had since called her back to discuss the work of the Panel with her. She felt her that Neil listened as she explained the many initiatives that the group had been involved in over the years and how the role of the Panel had supported the Police and other agencies over the past 30 or so years.

The Chair indicated that she had sent some of the Panel's leaflets to him and posed the question regarding the future role of the group and specifically asked if there was a place for the Panel in the current set up. Neil apologised for being unable to attend the meeting but did say that he would contact other community safety officers to see if they could lend some support. He also suggested that he would contact Sergeant Ian Duncan at Falkirk and felt it would be a shame to lose the support of the Panel. The Chair felt she was given a fair hearing and indicated that if support was forthcoming members might have to go into the community to enlist the support of new members, and suggested that without this support, the Panel may fold.

4. Minutes of Meeting 9 January, 2024:

The minutes of the meeting of 14 November, 2023 were thereafter approved by Stuart Caplan and seconded by George Forster.

5. Matters Arising:

5.1 Police Report

No report available.

5.2 Panel Funding:

The Chair intimated that she had nothing more to report so far.

5.3 Panel Initiatives:

In abeyance.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that the funds currently available are £954.03p. George indicated that he had received intimation from the Panel's insurers to indicate that the Panel's insurance was due to be renewed. After discussion, it was agreed that this should not be renewed until the future role of the group had been established.

7. AOB:

Bo'ness Meetings:

Stuart MacAllister indicated that he is still investigating a possible use of a local venue in Bo'ness. He also intimated that Madelene had happily moved into her new home in Bo'ness and all members wished her well for the future.

Date of Future Meetings

The Chair thanked members for attending and indicated that dates for the next few meetings have been confirmed and are as follows:

Tuesday, 2 April, 2024
AGM To be decided.

At this time, all meetings are scheduled to be held at **the Community Room at Morrison's Superstore, Falkirk**. The meetings will start at 6.30pm and will finish no later than 8.30pm

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Meeting

Tuesday, 2 April, 2024

The Community Room, Morrison's Superstore, Falkirk

AGENDA

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8. Date of Next Meeting