THE BLACKET ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING on 22 January 2019 at 11 Dryden Place

Present: Ian Chisholm (IC); Stan Bird (SB); Fiona Courtney (FC); Hugh McKay (HMcK); Pauline

Platt (PP); Richard Scothorne (RS),

Apologies: Arlene Doherty (AD); Anne Henderson (AH).

1.MINUTES: Minutes of 18 September 2018 were approved.

2. OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS: some ongoing see listing of open Actions at end of minutes

3. COMMITTEE ARRANGEMENTS

AH has joined the Committee as Treasurer. The posts of Social Convenor and Website Coordinator are currently vacant. A number of residents have expressed interest.

Action Jan19.01 – Follow up with interested residents re Committee

- **4.PLANNING** No relevant new applications on Planning lists.
 - Noted that Salisbury Arms has resubmitted an application for terrace development; timing too late to object but appears to be very similar to previous application, which was passed.
 - W Blacket Henry McDonald development of garage site failed at High Court. Owner lobbying for new development within existing building walls. Agreed will review application when available.

5.GRANGE/PRESTONFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL (GPCC) – No major issues. Concern that CEC may be bypassing Community Council structure.

6.NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - No major issues reported. SB & IC to revisit local representatives.

7.BLACKET AVENUE WORKING PARTY – Concern re repeated fly tipping of builder's waste in the Shrubberies, which HMcK and I McLeish have cleaned up. Noted that tipping should be reported to the police and CEC who have a dedicated form for this.

Action Jan19.02 - Email to Residents to raise awareness of tipping problem and reporting lines

8.TREASURER'S REPORT - Apologies from AH.

9.SOCIAL EVENTS:

a/ Review of events AGM – Agreed this went reasonably well; informal set up preferred, positive atmosphere and good input from residents attending.

b/2019 events – Only confirmed event is Open Gardens; agreed it would be helpful to have an information sheet for garden owners, and a map for residents. Agreed Architectural Tour should be run again; potentially also events with wider family appeal. Other events dependent on recruiting Social Convenor.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

Noted that Website still needs to be updated. Volunteers sought.

11. AOB

Noted Christmas Cards had been reasonably successful despite some printing quality issues and late timing of sales. AH & AD to report to next meeting on numbers sold and financial outturn.

Action Jan19.03: Review of sales

Action Jan19.04: Review remaining cards and return to printers if required.

RS presented his concept of Blacket Awards to the Committee. All agreed this is a good idea; however issues need to be worked through in terms of scope (community benefit/conservation), purpose, timing and benefit to recipients.

Action Jan19.05: RS to develop concept further.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Committee: Tuesday 19 March 2019 7.30 Location 52 Blacket Place
Tuesday 14 May 2019 7.30 Location 42 Blacket Place
Tuesday 10 September 7.30