

# PORTOBELLO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of the 117th meeting, held on 28th March 1994 in Portobello Library.

## PRESENT:

Len Young (Chair), Tom Smith (Secretary), Kathleen Hart (Treasurer)  
Sandy Begg, Celia Butterworth, Brian Cramb, Norman Hughes, Shand Hutcheson, Ray Lang,  
Lawrence Marshall, Margaret Smith, Andrew Strachan.

## APOLOGIES:

Cllr David Begg, George Murray, Sandy Smith, Dr Gavin Strang, Nick Stroud.

### 117.1 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed those present, and intimated that Brian Cramb would stand in for Sandy Smith of the PCFA.

### 117.2 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Acceptance proposed by Ray Lang and seconded by Sandy Begg.

### 117.3 MATTERS ARISING

117.3a Hanging Baskets: Gillian Anderson has more estimates, which the Chairman will obtain from her.

117.3b PCFA and PADCA Trophies: there are now 14 trophies in all:

PADCA	PCFA
Nicora Trophy – Bowling (mixed pairs)	United Glass Cup – Ladies Bowling Champion
Festival Trophy – Bowling (Men's single)	ESTA Henry Perpetual Trophy
Eugene Lampard Trophy – Bowling	Three unnamed cups:
Belmont Datsun Trophy – Bowling	Light and Heavy Horse Dressing
Darts open pairs	Best Float
Inter-Schools Basketball	Best Window
Six-a-side football	
Festival Cup – Entertainers ?	
Unnamed cup – ?	

To have all these refurbished and cleaned by Andrew Strathie of Marchmont will cost approximately £100. It was unanimously agreed that this should be done, as it was the wish of the meeting that these trophies are put up for competition again. Some will however have to be reallocated to different events.

Brian Cramb announced that two new angling and two gardening competitions are being held this year.

117.3c Community Council Notice Board: this has been repositioned and the old site made good to the satisfaction of the Hall Keeper.

117.3d Straiton Place development: a letter was written to the District Council's Planning Department, and a reply received noting our objections.

- 117.3e Joint Forum: the Chairman gave a short report on this meeting, pointing out that although 26 Community Councils were represented, the Forum has not yet reached 50% of possible membership. It is hoped that a Newsletter will be produced in April/May which may help recruitment.

He thought this had been a useful exercise as quite a few hints had been obtained from other groups about how they go about influencing the Administration concerning things like parking, traffic calming, litter, etc.

#### **117.4 SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**

- 117.4a Joppa Tennis Club: Drew Strachan reported that the nets are falling to bits. He will contact the Recreation Department to see if they can help.
- 117.4b Portobello Initiative: Norman Hughes gave a very comprehensive report outlining how far the Initiative has developed and who is or should be involved. He made the point that our local Councillors and MP should be actively engaged in all the projects he mentioned.

The Chairman thanked him for the presentation and for giving us food for thought.

#### **117.5 TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Community Council accounts at 28th March are:

Current Account:	£ 85.70
Premier Investment Account:	£1460.72
Illuminations Account:	£ 126.88
Joppa Tennis Courts:	£ 506.79

#### **117.6 PROJECTS**

- 117.6a Heritage Trail Leaflets: it was unanimously agreed to donate £200 to PAS to help produce this leaflet in colour. The Chairman will inform John Stewart of PAS of this decision.
- 117.6b Signposting and Town Map: awaiting further information from Nick Stroud.
- 117.6c Hanging baskets: see 117.3a.

#### **117.7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- 117.7a Community and Amenity Groups Register: a new register is being prepared and we have been asked for some input. The Chairman will deal with this.
- 117.7b Future of Community Councils: it was agreed that the Secretary will ask Neta Sinclair if she would give us a talk on what she thinks will happen to Community Councils with single-tier local government.
- 117.7c Power Pylons health hazard: Shand Hutcheson raised this concern about the pylons along Harry Lauder Way. It was agreed that he would supply information to the Secretary to enlist the aid of various MPs.
- 117.7d Bunting for PCFA: a letter of thanks has been received from PCFA for the Council's donation to purchase bunting. A large number of shopkeepers have cooperated in buying this to decorate their shopfronts, and the fund has been topped up to buy more.

## **117.8 FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next meetings of the Community Council will be held on the following dates, at 7:30pm in Portobello Library:

Monday 25th April

Monday 30th May

Monday 27th June

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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

The 118th Ordinary Meeting of Portobello Community Council  
will be held on Monday 25th April 1994 at 7:30pm,  
in Portobello Library.

## **AGENDA**

- 1. Chairman's welcome; apologies**
- 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
- 3. Matters arising**
- 4. Sub-Committee Reports:  
    Town Map and tourist signposting (Nick Stroud)**
- 5. Treasurer's Report**
- 6. Projects: progress report**
- 7. Problems at Towerbank, and for children generally (Nick Stroud)**
- 8. AOCB**
- 9. Date of next meeting**