



SEE YOU AT CHRYSTON AND MUIRHEAD GALA

MOOR PARK, SATURDAY 15 JUNE 2024

It seems like only yesterday we were putting away the Christmas decorations, so it's hard to believe that summer is rolling around again, especially given some of the recent weather.

One of the community highlights of each year is the Chryston and Muirhead Gala and, as usual, we'll have a few tables there. As well as giving you more information about what we do, we'll also be selling bric-a-brac to raise money for a local charity. Please come along and say hello, we'd love to see you. And remember to bring plenty of sunscreen (or an umbrella).

THANKS TO OUR HAPPY SNAPPERS!

Over the last few weeks the Community Council have been running the SNAP photography competition for all residents in our area.

We'd like to say a big thank you to all those who took part in the competition, our judges, and sponsors **Simpson Optometrist** for their support.

We hope to display the winning entries and present prizes at the Chryston & Muirhead Gala on 15th June.

FIX-MY-STREET.COM

We realise not everyone is comfortable going online to bank, shop or provide meter readings, so we're pleased to report one online resource we've had real success with is **FixMyStreet.com**

Just visit the website and report litter, potholes, street lights that are out, etc. These comments are then passed to the council. It's easy to use, and genuinely seems to work.

Brian Elder

Chair, Chryston Community Council



GET ON YER BIKE!

ELECTRIC CYCLE HIRE

CLOUDBERRY COMMUNITIES CIC – funded by the Cycle Share Fund through Cycling UK – are delighted that a fleet of ebikes are now available at their active travel hub and bike library in Chryston. Any local resident can rent an ebike for a small cost to help you make the transition to active travel.

CYCLE TO SCHOOL SCHEME

In addition, the fund also helped launch one of Scotland's first bike subscription services for young people to travel actively to school. The cycle to school scheme lets parents pay a small monthly fee to allow young people to cycle to school on a new or nearly-new bicycle which can be exchanged for a similar (larger) bike as the young person grows.

For more information on either of the above schemes, please visit

<https://ourgreenspace.org/the-wheel-office/>
or email josh@ourgreenspace.org

POLICE UPDATE

Figures for the most recent month available, April 2024, are 21 calls from the Chryston/Muirhead area, with 4 crimes recorded.

These were: one case of vandalism, one sexual offence, one threatening abusive behaviour and one traffic offence. The sexual offence is of no concern or threat to the wider community.

We're pleased these figures are so low, but we always like to remind you to be vigilant with your property, ensuring everything is locked and secured. And please remember to keep an eye on elderly neighbours.

PAVEMENT PARKING POSES PROBLEMS

With an ever increasing population our areas are experiencing ever increasing problems and Chryston Community Council are identifying, and where possible, addressing these problems, such as air pollution, education, health facilities, our roads, lighting and policing.

One problem which is on the increase and has been brought to our attention by many residents is parking. This problem has come about for many reasons and not just an increase in residents.

AN UNOFFICIAL PARK AND RIDE

It has been identified that many cars are being abandoned for the day while owners use public transport to travel onwards with their journey, mainly to Glasgow.

This, of course, is not against the law and may be done without any inconvenience to locals. However, when this is done in a thoughtless manner it not only becomes a problem for locals but can become a hazard (and illegal) when it blocks sight lines for road users or forces pedestrians to leave the pavement and walk on the road.

In addition to this, vehicles are being left illegally parked on double yellow lines, causing hazards to the public and other road users.

REPORT TO POLICE SCOTLAND

In an attempt to alleviate this we've been advised that vehicles causing any problems should be reported to Police Scotland by email (including a photo of the vehicle, its situation, and its number plate) on LanarkshireLPSTCumbernauld@scotland.pnn.police.uk

It will be assessed by the police and appropriate action will be taken if they feel the law has been broken.

Please help us and your community to make our area a better place to live.



UPDATE FROM NCCV

The Northern Corridor Community Volunteers (NCCV) continue to work closely with the Community Council on their continuing programme of brightening our area with planters and hanging baskets in parks and green spaces, and planters outside shops and businesses.

They recently obtained a couple of grants from North Lanarkshire Council, which meant they were able to buy a portable water wagon (*above*) that will make the job of watering all their tubs, planters and baskets a great deal simpler.

The remainder of the grants will be used to buy materials to refill many of the existing planters and baskets, and they'll be putting some brand new ones out too. The work on this has already started, and the group hope to be finished by the end of May.

We'd like to thank the Council for their generous grants, and all the hard-working volunteers who happily give up their free time to make the area we live in so much brighter for everyone.

YOU CAN JOIN US...

We're always keen to get new members, so why not come along and see what we do? Meetings are held on the last Monday of each month (except December), in Chryston Parish Church, Main St., from 7.30-9pm. Everyone is welcome.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.chrystoncommunitycouncil.org.uk
This newsletter and earlier issues are available on our website. You can read or print copies, subscribe, leave messages, read minutes of Community Council meetings and more.

BEACON FUND

The Beacon Community Fund provides financial assistance to local organisations and groups for the benefit of our communities in Mount Ellen, Chryston, Muirhead, Crowwood & Mollinsburn. To apply, simply request an application form at beacon@chrystoncommunitycouncil.org.uk