

Chryston Community Council

Minutes of meeting held on 30th June 2025 at Chryston Parish Church

Attending – Brian Elder (Chair), Collin Little, Norma Corrigan, Stuart Dallas, Tommy Echlin, Danielle Harris, Brian Rice, Maureen Santosh, Alex Taylor.

Guests – PC Neil McBain, Mhairi Robertson, Cllr. Claire Williams.

Apologies - None.

Chairman's Remarks – The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, noting that all members were in attendance this month.

Minutes of previous meeting – Adoption was proposed by T. Echlin and seconded by B. Rice.

Business Arising – Nothing raised.

Secretary Report – No correspondence requiring action. The Change of Treasurer form has been submitted to NLC. A spare key has been procured for the noticeboards.

Planning – Construction of the new school is ongoing. The land opposite Crowwood appears to be up for auction again.

Finance – M. Santosh presented the monthly accounts. R. Boyd and M. Santosh have arranged transfer of account signatory permission.

Northern Corridor Community Forum – The next meeting is expected to take place in August, although the exact date doesn't seem to be available yet.

Northern Corridor Community Volunteers – Having received less grant funding than expected, NCCV applied to the Beacon Fund to cover the shortfall. This was permitted and used to organise hanging baskets and planters in time for the Gala Day.

Community Police Report – Fifty-two incidents were reported to Police across the Chryston, Muirhead, Mount Ellen and Mollinsburn area during March. A total of thirty-nine crimes were recorded, with the breakdown as follows:

Assault	3
Vandalism	4
Theft	8
Drugs	3
Road Traffic related	11
Other	4
TOTAL	39

A high number of crimes have been recorded this month; however, these can be attributed mainly to three incidents which account for fourteen of the crimes recorded.

Roads and Lighting – The streetlights which were out on Station Rd have now been fixed and the give way road markings repainted at the junction by Crowwood fuel station. The electrical box at the junction of Station Rd and Elmira Rd has been replaced with a much larger unit which has resulted in dangerous narrowing of the pavement. Cllr. Williams offered to look into the legality of this and inquire if there are any alternatives to the current configuration.

[Action CW]

Beacon Fund – The Beacon Fund held their AGM on 9th June. There was no change in office bearers, with B. Elder remaining as Chair, A. Taylor as Treasurer and T. Echlin as Committee Member.

Beacon Newsletter – No development at present.

Local Place Plan – C. Little created a flyer and poster promoting the Local Place Plan and providing information on the community council. The flyer was distributed at the Gala Day, although due to inclement weather the turnout was quite poor and consequently engagement was not as good as hoped. The poster was added to the noticeboard.

AOCB – PC Neil McBain from the Northern Corridor Community Policing Team presented the monthly Police Scotland update for the area.

Signage indicating speed cameras are no longer operational has resulted in a notable increase in incidences of speeding.

Anti-social behaviour has also increased in certain localised areas.

Residents are encouraged to report any incidents or unusual/suspicious behaviour, either by phone or email, as police attendance can act as a deterrent.

The Community Policing Team requested the DVLA visit Mollinsburn due to the chronic parking problem in the area. The DVLA do have limited enforcement powers but can impound untaxed vehicles left on the roadside. Unfortunately, they have an extremely large area to cover meaning they can only be in attendance sporadically.

PC McBain explained that there has been a change in how crimes are reported; previously one incident would be counted as one crime, whereas now a single incident can result in multiple crimes recorded. Not all logged calls result in a crime being recorded; some calls are simply requests for advice.

The Community Police Officers attended both the Chryston Primary summer fayre and the Gala Day. It was noted that there was a problem with car parking around the bowling club which should be addressed for the 2026 Gala Day.

The community council asked if it would be possible to have a camera installed at the lights on the junction of Station Rd and Cumbernauld Rd, due to the high number of vehicles running red lights. Cllr. Williams will make inquiries on this with North Lanarkshire Council.

[Action CW]

The issue of pollution/air quality in Station Rd was raised again. Cllr Williams suggested that the community council could apply to the Beacon Fund in order to purchase air quality monitoring equipment.

Closing Remarks – The Chair thanked all for their attendance.

Next meeting – 25th August at Chryston Parish Church.