

**FACT LHO Management Committee Meeting**  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008**  
**6 Crowlin Crescent**

**Present:**

Vera McGrath	Corran Street
Danny Muir	Malin Place
David Ford	Sumburgh Street
Joyce Carroll	Crowlin Crescent
Marie McCairns	Gantock Crescent
Janette Henderson	Lamlash Crescent
Ellen Downes	Lamlash Crescent
Jim Ward	138 Fastnet Street
George MacMillan	Strone Road
Malcolm Robertson	Newhaven Road

**In Attendance:**

David MacKenzie	FACT
Jenny Black	FACT

1. **Apologies:** William Brown
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **AOCB:** It was confirmed that Margaret Curran will be attending the meeting at around 7.15pm. Suggested discussion topics were put forward by the committee as follows:
  - **ENVIROS Report**
  - **Community Reference Groups**
  - **Bus Service**
  - **SST**
  - **Anti-social behaviour**
  - **Health**

A committee member advised that former member Hugh Devlin wanted to rejoin the management committee. David MacKenzie advised that Hugh should formally write to the committee regarding this.

#### 4. Previous Minutes and Actions Arising:

**Owners** – David MacKenzie advised that he will personally visit any owner occupiers that express an interest in forming an owner's group.

**Selection boxes** – See minutes of Housing Management Sub Committee.

**Gala Day** - Next meeting in a month's time. It was suggested that all of the organisations involved in the planning of the gala day each apply for £500 grant.

**Fence at Crowlin** – now repaired.

Action:  
D Mackenzie

**Drainage/Sewage Problem** – ongoing concern at Strone/Crowlin. Drains continually having to be cleared. Are owner occupiers going to receive more bills for this work? David MacKenzie to investigate.

Action:  
D Mackenzie

**Uneven steps at Fidra Street** – David MacKenzie to investigate.

Previous Minutes agreed.

#### 5. Performance Report Period 11:

It was pointed out that there was nothing highlighted in red on the report.

**Letting** – hardly any voids.

**Arrears** – back to pre-Christmas levels. Confident that figure will remain at this level or even reduce for next period.

Reduction of arrears appears to be reflecting the success of the new staffing structure of a Housing Assistant for each of the 4 Housing Officers.

**Abands** – David MacKenzie expressed concern over this – he wondered whether perhaps people were leaving due to unaddressed anti-social issues.

#### 6. Update on meeting with Taroub Zahran:

Taroub e-mailed both David Ford and David MacKenzie to thank committee for visit.

David MacKenzie advised that there was not enough time to show Taroub everything he wanted to.

After a short meeting in the FACT office with some committee members Taroub visited the multi-story flats. She visited a two tenant's homes, one of the tenant's was having a lot of problems with flooding. Taroub then met with Stevie Coyle and a group of tenants living in the multi's for a discussion. The meeting was mostly positive but the main issues highlighted were flooding and heating systems. Other issues discussed were lighting in the car park and putting in benches at the grassy area in front of the multi's.

Taroub then completed her visit by looking at a house in Crowlin Crescent that has recently undergone modernization work.

**Action:**  
**D Mackenzie**

David MacKenzie advised committee that he is going to be out and about more around Cranhill and speaking to residents.

Overall it was a positive morning. Taroub agreed that we will have to get to the bottom of the flooding issue.

David MacKenzie is looking into how much money has been spent on repairs regarding flooding and confirmed that a study needs to be conducted to ascertain what needs to be done to completely resolve the situation.

The future of the multi's will be discussed at the Housing Futures meeting in April this year and David MacKenzie should then be armed with facts and figures to support their future, including a study into the long term plans of the Polish residents.

## **7. FACT Membership:**

David MacKenzie produced a report clarifying the current position of the committee members as there had been a query regarding Joyce Carroll's position. It was noted that Joyce is a General Member. The report also provided a definition of General Member and Co-Optee.

**Action:**  
**D Mackenzie**

David MacKenzie to write to Frank Docherty and Marie Ward asking them to join committee as co-optees.

## **8. Committee Training and Away Day:**

Committee were asked if there was anything that they wanted training on. A Committee Member suggested that David look at last years training plan as this was not completed.

**Action:**  
**D Mackenzie**

Two training sessions to take place on 13<sup>th</sup> March 08. David MacKenzie to provide committee with possible dates for away day at these training sessions and the most suitable date will be selected.

**9. Community Reference Groups:**

Discussed with Margaret Curran **Item 11.**

**10. Meetings/Events before next Management Committee:**

- Housing Management Sub Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 08.
- Committee Training 13<sup>th</sup> March 08

**11. AOCB:**

**Discussion with Margaret Curran MSP**

**Action:**  
**D Mackenzie**

- **ENVIROS Report**  
David MacKenzie to forward reports and information regarding contamination to Margaret.
- **SST**  
GHA currently have 16 LHO's going through SST and that it looks unlikely that FACT will go through it.
- **Cleansing**  
Margaret Curran to write to Glasgow City Council regarding refuse uplift and backcourts. David MacKenzie to arrange for Margaret to see state of closes.
- **Bus Service**  
Margaret will try to arrange for First Bus to attend the next Management Committee meeting.
- **Anti-social behaviour**  
Margaret will look into who pays for the bus shelters that are continually being smashed on Edinburgh Road.
- **Health**  
Margaret advised that she is concentrating her efforts in trying to obtain better health care in Cranhill as there is no G.P's or back up health services based here.
- **Community Reference Groups**  
Committee advised that a chairperson had already been allocated before the groups were formed. Councillors had decided who the chair should be. The groups are meant to be community lead and

**Action:**  
**D Mackenzie**

should not be dictated by councilors. Committee also pointed out that CRG's will not be constituted groups therefore will not be able to apply for funding. Margaret Curran to speak to Patricia regarding CRG's.

## **12. Correspondence:**

- **GHA 5<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations on 5/3/08 at 6pm**  
David MacKenzie advised that he has 3 invites for committee and 3 invites for staff. He advised that the committee could have any staff tickets that were not going to be used
- **Letter from Cranhill Primary**  
It was agreed to give £25 to the school for Easter eggs and to approach St Maria Goretti's Primary to offer them the same amount.

<b>Action: D Mackenzie</b>
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**13. Date of Next Meeting:** Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2008 at 6.30pm