

FACT LHO Management Committee Meeting
Thursday 31st January 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

In Attendance:

David MacKenzie	FACT
Sharon O'Hare	FACT
Jenny Black	FACT

1. **Apologies:** William Brown
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **AOCB:** None
4. **Previous Minutes and Actions Arising:**

Action:
D Mackenzie

Margaret Curran – Letter to be sent asking her to confirm her attendance at next Management Committee meeting on 28th February 2008.

Owner's Forum – Marie McCairns to attend next meeting with Joyce Carroll.

Action:
D Mackenzie

FACT Membership – David MacKenzie is to provide information on Co-optee and general members of FACT to clarify how many of each is permitted. Also to clarify Joyce Carroll's membership status. Cranhill Community Project members to be asked if they wish to join committee if possible.

Multistory Flats – Currently no voids and good antisocial statistics. Flooding is a big issue. David MacKenzie has a meeting in April regarding the flats and will be campaigning for their future. Committee member pointed out that there would be no point installing new kitchens and bathrooms if they are going to be ruined by flooding and suggested that FACT look to replacing the pipe work in the flats. David Ford advised that Taroub would be meeting with the committee on 22nd February to discuss the multistory flats.

Action:
D Mackenzie

Committee Members – Letter to be sent to all residents inviting them to join the committee.

Action:
D Mackenzie

Owners Groups – It was suggested that a letter be sent to owner's inviting them to form an owner's group.

Minutes Agreed.

5. Performance:

Arrears – Up by £18,000 over Christmas period. Will come down in January, could possibly be February before it is under £100,000 again.

Letting – David MacKenzie advised that he has instructed staff to focus on letting and to start looking at the application lists as soon as they are aware that a house is being given up.

6. FARE Integration Proposal 2008/2009:

Rosemary Dixon and Paul Humphries from FARE gave a short presentation to the Committee, explaining about the background of their organization and their complete reliance on obtaining grants and funding to carry out their projects.

They advised of their various ongoing projects:

- **Territorial History Project** – In Easterhouse. Teaching young people about gang culture and it's history. Aiming to change young peoples attitudes and aspirations.

- **Integrated After School Sports Programme**
- **Secondary School Territorial Programme** – to reinforce the message from the primary school project.
- **Mer Tae Me** – a programme for young people with anti-social behavioural problems. As part of this project participants take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. Paul Humphries advised that he has seen positive changes in the group he is currently working with.
- **Integrated Activities** – Activities that include young people that do not have behavioural problems.
- **Mentoring Group** – Additional support for those on the Mer Tae Me programme who require it.
- **Youth Football League**
- **Winter Bowling League**
- **Media Programme** – produce 5000 magazines.

The Committee requested that FARE update them on a quarterly basis.

FARE to send FACT a copy of documents on Show Board.

7. Panto Trip Report and Gala Day 2008 Discussion:

Sharon O'Hare advised that Councilor Frank Docherty called a meeting regarding this years Gala Day. Present at the meeting, as well as Councilor Docherty and herself, were representatives from Thenew Housing Association and Muriel from Cranhill Community Project. It was decided that tasks would be divided up and allocated and that each party would take responsibility for their tasks and report progress back to the Gala Day Committee. Several Committee members expressed an interest in representing FACT at these meetings.

It was widely agreed that stricter parameters need to be put in place when allocating tickets for this year's Panto Trip. It was discussed that tickets should only be given to FACT members and that priority should be given to those people who have not been selected to attend previous years. A Committee member suggested that we highlight in the Newsletter how to become a FACT member and to perhaps include an application form.

8. **Eviction Report:** to be discussed at Housing Management Sub Committee meeting 7th February 2008.

9. **Tenant Participation Action Plan:**

It was noted that the Panto Trip was a good opportunity to maximize memberships. A Committee member advised that some people were not being asked if they wish to join FACT when they were signing up for a house. It was suggested that young person's views could be heard through working with FARE. It was also suggested that perhaps we could do more to engage with minority groups.

**Action:
D Mackenzie**

David MacKenzie to ask Marie Ward to talk to the Committee about Community Project.

Should be looking to keep our website up to date with the latest local info and FACT news. Also to make use of the plasma screen in the office and to continue with regular information newsletters.

David MacKenzie suggested that we obtain pictures of people under the slogan "Proud to be from Cranhill". The pictures could include people of all age groups and perhaps even celebrities that have now moved away.

Committee agreed to put the Action Plan forward for GHA approval.

10. **GHA Consultations**

Environmental Framework Draft – David MacKenzie is producing an Environmental Action Plan which will feature the backcourts. He suggested that the small bins are replaced with wheelie bins for each household. A Committee Member suggested that perhaps people would not bother putting their bins out for collection. David MacKenzie questioned whether new bin stores are required and where they should be located. He suggested that a pilot scheme is run and we act on the feedback from this.

Neighbourhood Quality Improvement – Improvement works carried out need to be maintained e.g. lane at back of Crowlin Crescent. Fence running along the front of Crowlin Crescent needs repaired.

It was pointed out that the padlocks on gates keep being taken away and was suggested that the padlock be attached to a chain that is soldered onto the gate and a neighbour be given a key to ensure gate is kept locked.

Playbusters have been commissioned to look into building a play area in Strone Road. People living around this area will be asked their views on this.

11. Meetings/Events:

GHA Burns Supper – Wednesday 6th February 2008 – Janette Henderson and David Ford attending.

Committee Training – Committee were asked to look through SHARE's brochure and identify any training courses that they required. A Committee member suggested that perhaps one or two of the members attend the course then lead in house training with the rest of the Committee. Once training needs are identified then a training programme can be produced.

12. AOCB: None

13. Correspondence: Committee to read through correspondence provided.

14. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Thursday 28th February 2008 @ 6.30pm