

# Udston Parent Council Minutes – 1<sup>st</sup> February 2016

## Attendees

Sharon Smit  
Jean Miller  
Caroline Ferry  
Jude Irwin

Carol Mitchell  
Lisa Warren  
Gillian Scott  
Faiza Baqir

Diane Strang  
Helen Thomson  
Judy Watton  
Catherine Dawson

Liz Morrison  
Chris Barclay  
Sheena Chadwick  
Nicola Philp

## Apologies

Mrs Henry  
Laura Rainbow

Mrs Turnbull

Mrs Drenan

Mrs MacLeod

## Financials

£4,303.16

Signatures for bank have been finalised.

## School Update

- Library Furniture – as discussed at AGM the Parent Council agreed to pay for furniture for the new library. Cost has come in at £1483. DS will organise a cheque.
- The library will be going into the old GP room. The children have picked a space theme.

## Secondary school Bus Issue

Online petition but if anyone wants a paper copy they have to let SS know.

Next protest will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> February – SS, HT, CF going.

SS has emailed Jean McKeown again asking about their cuts & costs.

## Constitutions

We agreed to reduce members to 17. There are a few wee changes being proposed.

SS will send a copy to each member to look over and agree the changes.

## Fundraising

### Christmas Fayre

- Raised approx. £1250. Got good feedback

### Tea Party

- 9.30 – 12 noon. Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March
- £2.50 Adult, £1 Child – Lucky ticket wins a prize.
- School are doing table runners.
- Raffle can be set out in the hall on way in.

## Future Events

- Think of Ideas and put a questionnaire at parents night
  - Movie night – ask school how much they made.
  - Social night

## Summer Fayre

- Date change – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June

## **AOB**

- DS – parking situation
  - People parking on zigzags
  - People parking in the disabled space who don't have a badge including some afterschool cars.
- School - The on-going parking problems are a nuisance. Only by parents complaining to the Community Police may there be an improvement. The janitor closes the gates at the start and end of the school day & only staff, pre & post-school companies, transported pupils & two families, whose circumstances are such that we have arranged for them to use the car park, should be inside the staff car park. The school isn't aware of the pre/after school companies had parked their minibus in one of the disabled parking bays, - they may well have a mobility badge because of the range of children they will work with. It might be a good idea for the Parent Council to remind parents about the no parking rule inside the car park, as well as following the Highway Code outside of it. The number of parents whom we've seen actually stopping in the middle of the mini-roundabout to drop off their children is very bad. Perhaps if the PC approached the Community Police on our behalf, there might be a bit more clout in terms of them committing to coming out more often.
- Parents with children at afterschool – could they speak to them individually before we look at other options.
- Contact Community police
- Mention in the newsletter & minutes.

**If you would like the Parents Council to raise any issues with the school on your behalf, please provide them to us by the Thursday before the next meeting.**

**Date of Next meeting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March**