PRESENT: S Lee, B Donoghue, I Lowe, L Kettrick, J Healer, M McKinlay, Visitors J Burns (First Bus) M Duffy, M Balfour, J Brander (Minute Taker)

APOLOGIES: Rev B Hughes, M Hamilton, J Kettrick, A Davies (St Cl)

WELCOME: Steph welcomed everyone and thanks for coming.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Steph approved and Jean seconded

FIRST BUS: Jim Burns a representative from First Bus came along to find out if the bus company could change back the route of the 57. He listened to what Matty was saying about how someone like her who has mobility issues and can’t walk very far before getting tired, as the bus stop is no longer near her house and is now further up the road. She would be happy if a bus came back round once an hour. She asked if maybe they could put one of the small buses on the route but he said it wasn’t feasible as they were used for the rural routes. If there was some way the bus could go a slightly different way as the buses were finding it difficult to get round Hazelbank Gardens. There had been a few collisions. Maybe a compromise could be reached where the no 59 which is hourly and finishes at the bus station that could maybe be used to go down Woodside Road and then go along Ochil Crescent and then up to Laurencecroft and back to the bus station. Jim said that if it was off peak hours 9am -3pm. He would have to talk his bosses at the monthly board meeting and see if they would agree. Isabella asked about how some 57 buses come down the road and then don’t seem to turn up, this has happened several times. Jim said it could be a variety of reasons for this. But if you take down the time it is meant to come then you can then phone customer services at the bus station who can find out why they never turned up. As all buses are fitted with a tracker where it is recorded. Bus Drivers have retraining in customer services where they should wait until older persons are sitting down before moving off and also if a wheelchair user comes on they should be helping them by putting down the ramp.

ANY MATTERS ARISING: Ross Oxburgh (cllr) has confirmed that new street signs has been ordered for Ivanhoe Place and several other streets including Craighall Crescent, Duff crescent. Bins are changing. One lady has been trying to get a new bin as her old one disappeared but as everyone are getting new ones. She was given purple bin bags to use but couldn’t use them as cats or birds would open them. On 1st May 6.50pm there was a big red tractor travelling along Drip Road. Steph emailed the cattle market but hasn’t had a reply.

POLICE SCOTLAND: PC M Paterson sent his report in for April to May. There were several detected cases about drugs, female threatening behaviour, traffic, shoplifting, fraud, assaults. Undetected cases damage to window, damage to shed etc. Report can be seen.

CORRESPONDENCE: 2 Emails, short let legislation, gas and electric unconventional, fracking

FINANCE: £2886.15 in the bank and money for minute taker taken out. Steph needs to go online to fill in a form for to be a signaturee and Mary has to be there. There should be several other people on it too.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: AGM 3rd June @ 6.30pm.