



STRATHBUNGO NEWS

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LEAVING NO STONE UNTURNED! PROPOSAL TO IMPROVE THE BACK LANES WINS SUPPORT.

A major facelift could be on the cards for Strathbungo now that several Scottish agencies have lined up behind our campaign to improve the back lanes.

After two years of intensive lobbying, the Strathbungo Society has been given the go-ahead by Scottish Enterprise, the Glasgow Development Agency, and Glasgow City Council for plans which will greatly improve the appearance of the neighbourhood and enhance the value of our property.

Historic Scotland, a statutory agency responsible for ensuring that restoration work in conservation areas reuses natural materials, has agreed to support the project because of the Grade A and Grade B listed status of much of the property in the area. They have confirmed that our proposals meet the criteria for a conservation repair grant which would substantially reduce the cost to residents of carrying out the work

Years of decay and neglect in the lanes behind Regent Park Square, Queen Square, Marywood Square and Moray Place have created eyesores which are dangerous to drive on, liable to subsidence and which have helped to depress property prices. Now all that could be put right

if residents are prepared to support the scheme proposed by the society.

Full details

Full details of the proposals will be put forward at the society's AGM on Monday, May 12th. The discussion will be led by consulting surveyors William Frame and Associates who have undertaken similar restoration work in other parts of the city. They describe the Strathbungo scheme as "a substantial conservation project."

The project will involve digging up the stones or setts from the lanes in question, repairing and relaying them to provide a strong, even surface. The work could be carried out under a Glasgow Works Training scheme supervised by skilled craftsmen. Scottish Enterprise have agreed in principle to donate additional granite setts which have been removed from other historic parts of the city.

A spokesperson for the Strathbungo Society said last week:

"This is a major renovation of the lanes behind our properties which can go ahead if we get the support

of residents. It is in all our interests to contribute to the scheme - not only will we be able to make better use of the lanes for parking and recreation, but if they look better people will use them more and they become safer. We can also consider improved lighting and surveillance once they have been upgraded.

"Most of all, the improvement will greatly add to the value of property in Strathbungo. A relatively small investment in the repair work will pay for itself many times over."

What we need to do next.

The Society needs to estimate the number of households affected by the proposals and to encourage residents to support the project.

What you need to do next.

Complete the tear off slip below, indicating your interest in the project. This will be collected from you by a member of the society later this week.

COME TO THE **AGM ON MAY 12TH** AND FIND OUT MORE.

STRATHBUNGO BACK LANE RENOVATION

- I am interested in supporting the project to renovate the back lanes. Please keep me informed.
 I am not interested in supporting the project.

Name _____ Address _____

Tel. no. _____

Householder Tenant (If tenant, give name and address of householder.) _____

I do/do not have access to the garden and lane behind my house.
(delete as appropriate)

I do/do not have parking space in the lane.

Strathbungo Society
**ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING**

Monday May 12th 1997

**Titwood Resource Centre,
Titwood Road at 7 p.m.**

**RENOVATING
STRATHBUNGO'S LANES.**

WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

WHAT WILL IT INVOLVE?

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

- Come along and discuss the proposals for the biggest project to be undertaken in Strathbungo since the houses were built.
- A presentation by Consulting Surveyors, William Frame and Associates. Your questions answered.
- Other business: your chance to elect a new committee, put forward your ideas, request action from the Society.

*Coffee, tea and biscuits will be served
after the meeting.*



NEIGHBOURHOOD
**WATCH
WARNING**

The Neighbourhood Watch Group have issued a warning that a small group of young teenagers are currently operating in the area causing vandalism and breaking into property. Residents are reminded not to leave their doors open - even when they are in the garden or working on their cars - and to keep windows closed and locked when the house is empty.



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