

**DENNISTOUN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT WHITEHILL SCHOOL 8/5/12**

Present: Stephen Birrell (chair), Lauren Amazeen, Jenny Boyd, Jane Clarke, Janette Cochrane, Annette Fowler, Brian Johnston, Ruth Johnston, Mary McCabe, Anne McKenna, Frank Plowright, Wesley Wright (Council Members)  
Police Community Liaisons PC Johnny Dalziel & Sharon Campbell  
Tom Smith from Edzell factors

Apologies: Helen McCarthy, Jenny Mulholland, Louise Williams, Sarah Welford,  
Councillor Elaine McDougall, MSPs John Mason, Drew Smith, Humza Yusaf.

Minutes provided by Frank Plowright

1. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 13/3/12: Pending a few corrections the minutes were approved via Ruth Johnston proposing and Anne McKenna seconding.
2. POLICE REPORT: a) The figures presented covered March 14<sup>th</sup> to date. In Reidvale it wasn't possible to correlate the exact figures for the area within the Dennistoun boundaries as the police area it's included in stretches to the Gallowgate. There were 140 incidents and 31 of 49 reported crimes had been detected. These ranged from noise complaints to assault and disorder. b) North Dennistoun incorporates the area around Necropolis and hospital and 18 of 45 crimes have been detected. These are primarily vehicles being broken into. The advice is not to leave any items in plain sight, although the police have requested CCTV cameras in the area. c) In Wellpark there have been 121 incidents and 5 of 26 reported crimes have been detected. These are largely disorder and vandalism issues. d) in the drives there have been 150 incidents, and 44 of 81 crimes solved. These include break-ins, but also vehicle thefts and noise problems. e) The Parade area covers Milnbank and there have been 284 incidents and 18 of 30 crimes have been detected. There are drug issues here as well as theft and vehicle crime. f) In Haghill 54 of 78 crimes have been solved, and there have been 349 incidents, although it should be noted that as with Reidvale, the police area including Haghill stretches well beyond the Dennistoun boundaries to Carntyne. Metal theft remains a big problem, and the police noted that not all scrap dealers are complying with legislation outlawing cash transactions. There is to be a focus on this.
3. MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: a) Stephen outlined participation in the Big Lunch on June 2<sup>nd</sup> between 1pm and 3pm. This will be in the three locations within Dennistoun that we have partners. Central and Reidvale are confirmed, and Stephen remains confident about Milnbank. An appeal for partners in Haghill and Wellbank was posted on Dennistoun Forum, but received no response. The idea is to foster neighbourhood spirit by sharing a meal, and we have posters prepared and have contacted assorted suppliers about providing food, although the idea is that those attending bring something along. The money allocated from the East Centre grant will purchase gazebos and trestle tables that will be available for community benefit on an ongoing basis. Tony Smith from Edzell, the factors responsible for Dennistoun Village, spoke of his commitment to community links, and was surprised that so few people attended the Community Council meeting. b) Regarding Community Spirit, Annette mentioned that in the past DCC had made donations toward community groups. There was some doubt if this was permitted under the DCC funding agreement, but it will be investigated and placed on the agenda for the next meeting. c) DCC's response objecting to extension of licensing regulations permitting pubs to open at 11am on Sunday has been submitted, but there has been no overall decision as yet. d) Wes has still to submit the bulk uplift documentation, but will include something noting Janette's problems with the unsolicited uplift of items that weren't rubbish. e) Frank will submit an application for funding the Dennistoun

Treasure Hunt to the Scottish Community Foundation. The total amount will be £260, covering £25 book tokens for a boy and a girl in each of the Dennistoun area primary schools, and £60 for a drawing tablet for the winner of the poster design competition. There may be a possibility of having the winning design turned into a postcard. The poster will be themed this year, possibly using 'what I like about Dennistoun' as a starting point. I members are not receiving minutes and agenda through the post. Frank will prepare a timetable for the event for the next meeting, presuming a prizegiving at the October A.G.M.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT: a) Stephen and Jane still haven't been able to co-ordinate a meeting. The current bank balance is £2259.40 with cash in hand of £153.67. The only money spent since March has been on stamps and the booking fee for WASPS. Wes will require money for paper and printing cartridges. b) Stephen has submitted approved accounts to the Community Council Resource Centre and we now await the triggered admin allowance of £650.01.
5. CORRESPONDENCE: a) Planning Applications. There is concern that DCC is not being consulted regarding major planning applications in the area, arising from not being notified about the proposed development in vacant land adjacent to Duke Street station. A detailed submission has been made to the planning department to demolish existing buildings to place mobile homes and storage for travelling show people. Despite a deadline for objections to be submitted being imminent, it is expected that this will be called in for review by the planning committee, so we have time to consider the implications and submit a response after next month's meeting. There has been little contentious in planning terms over the past few months, although the issue of land ownership for Onslow Square has now apparently been settled and an application submitted. Other applications include one retrospectively for the gym on the Lidl site, and for back court improvements at Aitken Street, and a training academy to be constructed within the Tennant's brewery premises.  
b) Licensing Applications. There have been none. c) Correspondence includes a letter from MSP Patrick Harvie regarding his Better Buses campaign, an invitation to the Glasgow Disability Alliance Learning Festival on May 31<sup>st</sup> between 10.30 and 4pm. The grant for Assisted Garden Maintenance has been renewed, and the Stalled Spaces initiative has funding for ideas concerning the temporary use of unused local space. d) Wesley provided a quarterly update regarding DCC website traffic and hits, noting that the total number of visitors remains broadly the same, but the Facebook and Twitter feeds are seeing increased use. An update will be appended to the minutes.
6. EAST CENTRE AREA COMMITTEE: There has been no meeting in the run-up to the local elections.
7. COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP: Nothing to report.
8. CRIME PREVENTION PANEL: The next meeting is on May 10<sup>th</sup>.
9. ELECTED MEMBERS UPDATE: None present and no reports submitted.
10. A.O.B. a) The Action Plan will be placed back on the agenda for the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Our next meeting will be at Whitehill School at 7pm on Tuesday June 12<sup>th</sup>.

# Some DCC Internet Stats, as of 7 May 2012

## DennistounCC.org.uk

### Visits, this quarter

<u>Home page</u>	
February	303
March	171
April	208

Avg. per day 8

### All pages

February	904
March	595
April	638

Avg. per day 24

### Visits, last quarter

<u>Home page</u>	
November	279
December	207
January	278

Avg. per day 8

### All pages

November	859
December	556
January	958

Avg. per day 26

### Visits, previous quarter

<u>Home page</u>	
August	243
September	179
October	334

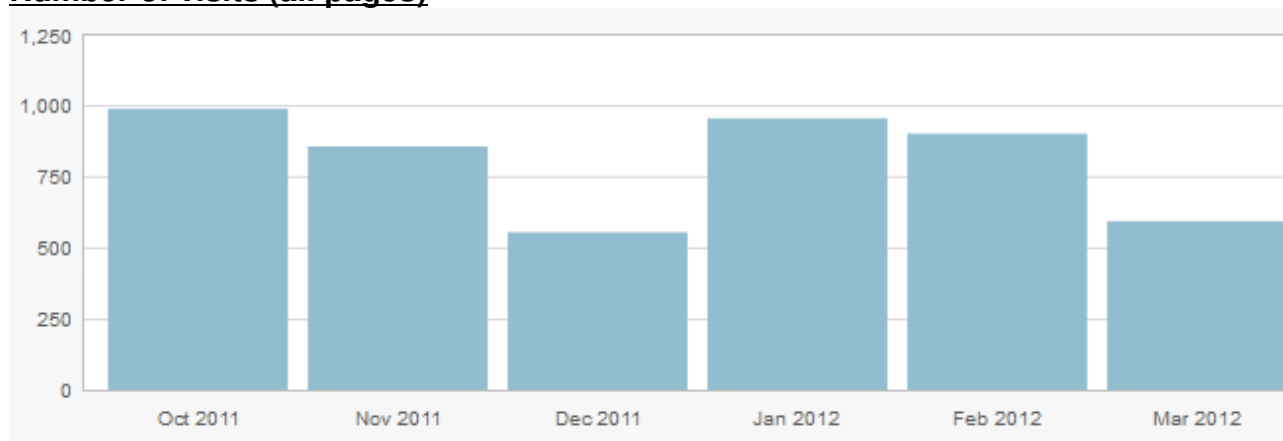
Avg. per day 10

### All pages

August	636
September	670
October	992

Avg. per day 25

## Number of visits (all pages)



## How people have found DennistounCC.org.uk

### This quarter

Search Engines: 684  
Facebook: 120  
Dennistoun.co.uk: 73  
Twitter: 53  
Communitycouncilsglasgow.org.uk: 18  
Wikipedia.org: 8  
Dennistouncommunitytogether.org.uk: 7

### Last quarter

Search Engines: 555  
Dennistoun.co.uk: 75  
Facebook: 68  
Twitter: 34  
Communitycouncilsglasgow.org.uk: 14  
Wikipedia.org: 7  
Dennistouncommunitytogether.org.uk: 6

Traffic from Facebook has nearly doubled. Traffic from Twitter is up approximately 50%. The site now seems to be appearing regularly on the first page of results for a Google search for "Dennistoun". Google remains the main way for people to find us (and it accounts for 90%+ of search engine traffic to the site).

<u>Page views, this quarter</u>		<u>Page views, last quarter</u>		<u>Page views, prev' quarter</u>	
Home page	686	Home page	731	Home page	757
Dates	116	Minutes	231	Minutes	218
Minutes	101	Dates	144	Dates	124
Applications	72	Representatives	74	Representatives	76
Links	62	Action Plan	72	Applications	67
Representatives	54	Applications	65	Locality	57
Action Plan	52	Links	46	Links	55
Contact	52	Contact	41	Action Plan	50
Locality	50	Locality	39	HELP!	48
HELP!	40	HELP!	36	Contact	39
About	28	About	17	About	29

### News/blog post views

### This qtr

### Last qtr

Dennistoun Dog Fouling Initiative	119	84
Glasgow Stalled Spaces	83	n/a
Onslow Square Community Consultation Event	73	28
James Blackshaw Gig at Whitehill School	49	n/a
Dennistoun Community Council Response to Rail 2014	44	n/a
Rail 2014 Public Consultation: Duke Street Railway Station	39	64
On Paper at 27 Hillfoot Street	39	n/a
Luther Blissett vs The Other at Market Gallery	33	n/a
Proposed Strathclyde Police Headquarters at Dalmarnock	28	50
Glasgow Neighbourhood Management Survey 2010/11	28	n/a
Community Clean Up: Saturday 2nd April 2011	26	n/a
Glasgow Necropolis Tours: January to July 2012	22	41
Dennistoun Oral History Project	21	24
2011 Dennistoun Treasure Hunt Winners	21	22
Next Meeting: March 13th 2012	16	n/a
Open Gardens Event with Dennistoun Diggers	16	n/a
Brownies and Guides in Dennistoun	13	n/a
Assisted Garden Maintenance Scheme	13	n/a
Become a Better Buses Inspector	13	n/a
The 2011 Dennistoun Treasure Hunt	13	13
Community Clean Up: Saturday 4th February 2012	13	17
Art and Music in and around Dennistoun	12	10

### Subscribers

The ability to sign up and receive instant notification via email of all new site posts was added in early 2012. The modest number of subscribers has levelled off since last quarter but it is hoped that DCC can expand this readership by promoting the mailing list at future events such as the Big Lunch.

## Facebook.com/DennistounCC

### Currently

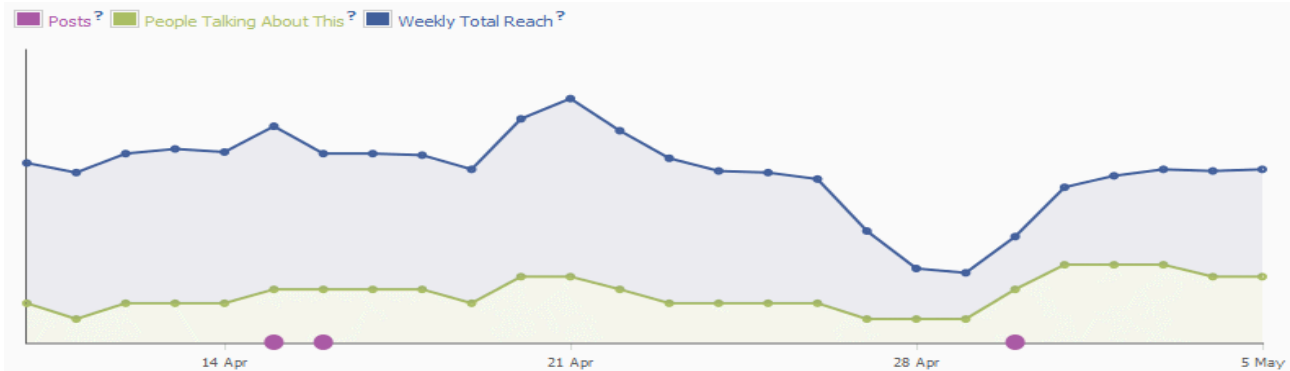
81 followers  
85 monthly active users

### Last February

71 followers  
85 monthly active users

### Last November

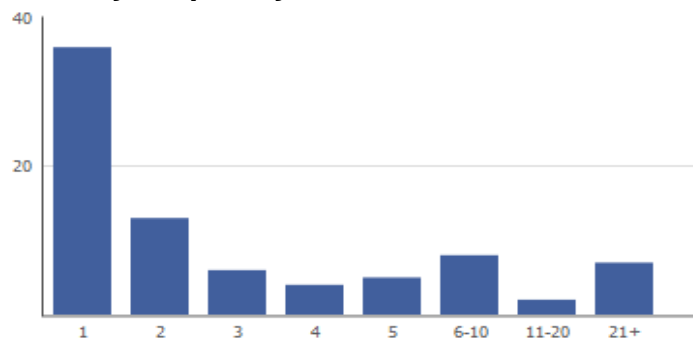
60 followers  
78 monthly active users



### Age breakdown of people reached via facebook over the last month

(prev' q)	(n/a)	(7%)	(35%)	(7%)	(2%)	(0%)
(last q)	(54%)	(0%)	(35%)	(11%)	(4%)	(5%)
Female	56%	3%	31%	12%	4%	7.7%
<i>Age range</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-34</i>	<i>35-44</i>	<i>45-54</i>	<i>55+</i>
Male	38%	5%	15%	15%	3%	0%
(last q)	(42%)	(4%)	(18%)	(14%)	(5%)	(2%)
(prev' q)	n/a%	(7%)	(18%)	(8%)	(7%)	(3%)

### Unique number of users by frequency



E.g. 36 people were reached once, 13 people were reached twice, etc.

## Twitter.com/DennistounCC

### Currently

DCC has 128 followers  
DCC is following 41 others  
DCC has sent out 198 tweets

### Last February

DCC had 113 followers  
DCC was following 39 others  
DCC had sent out 182 tweets

### Last November

DCC had 89 followers  
DCC was following 38 others  
DCC had sent out 151 tweets