



Dennistoun Community Council

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DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT GINGERBREAD HALL 12/8/14

- Present:** Stephen Birrell (chair), John Bones, Andy Campbell, Ruth Johnston, Brian Johnston, Jennifer McGlone, Jane Clarke, Lauren Amazeen, Christine Quinn, Wesley Wright (Community Council Members)
Bernard Elliott, Shaik Sharif, Frances Graham, Elena Trimarchi (Members of public). Colin Durie (GCC LES Cleansing). PC Nadine Hendry and PC Marc Augaitis.
- Apologies:** CClrs Ruth Jackson, Ally Meek, Frank Plowright, Anne McKenna, and Vicky Melvin. MSPs John Mason, Humza Yousaf and Drew Smith. Councillor Jennifer Dunn. Joe Scott (Milnbank HA).

Minutes provided by Wesley Wright

1. **POLICE REPORT:** Housebreakings are reported as being the main issue in Dennistoun presently. Convictions have been made. The police van on Onslow drive is linked to this. There was a stabbing (considered to be an isolated feudal incident rather than part of something more endemic). Vandalism: 74 offences in N & S Dennistoun between 30/6 and 31/7. 44 non-detected (although all 'serious' crimes were detected). Youth disorder not currently identified as a relatively common problem of note. Necropolis crime not reported as being significant (in response, Ruth passed the Necropolis incident report to the PCs present).
2. **PUBLIC INPUT:** Bernard raised the following issues: Onslow Square dog bins (privately owned) are not being maintained. Alexandra Park (points noted by Colin): CCTV obscured by foliage, mesh bins removed and emergency help points inoperative. Frances raised the issue of house renovation waste material having contributed to a fire in a back court. Dealt with well by rapid response council cleanup team. But a persistent problem. Additionally, poor recycling practice of residents and a reduced service during the Games. Colin noted the points raised. Further reports can be made via 0141 287 9700. AC suggested a yearly drive for awareness, possibly in Sep/Oct, to tie in with new student intake. SB added that using registered landlord list as a source of contact points might be an option worth exploring.
3. **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8/7/14:** Pending some minor amendments, the minutes were otherwise proposed as accurate by Brian and seconded by John.
4. **MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:** a) Meeting with John Quinn. JQ unable to meet with SB regarding communications with LES (about potholes, bins, fouling etc) in advance of meeting. b) Meeting with Community Safety Glasgow. SB unable to meet with JQ regarding communications with CSG in advance of meeting (due to Commonwealth Games commitments). c) Development Plan. There will be a published "Inner East Strategy" to which DCC will respond. On 25th August at The Lighthouse there will be a consultation on the health impact of the development plan. SB/BJ to try and attend. d) SCDC Supporting Communities scheme. 27th August (7pm) proposed as date for initial session to determine future opportunities for SCDC input.

5. **GCC LES CLEANSING.** Colin Durie attended as a follow-up to the presence at previous meeting from Community Safety Glasgow. Dog Fouling: More bins are being arranged. Road sweeping: Parked cars are inhibiting sweeping taking place. Road closures are an option that would allow access to litter in channels of road, drain cleaning, and weed growth at walls, etc. Requires resident backing. Requires LES Cleansing management buy-in. Requires LES Parks buy-in. Requires LES Roads buy-in. Request for service: SB to submit a request for service via the area committee.

6. **ACTION PLAN:** a) Day Out In Dennistoun. Funding is secure for the initial run of the print version. Content is virtually complete, at the proof reading stage, with only a minor delay in determining the photography. The digital version will initially be in the form of an editable layer or section within the app being developed by OpenGlasgow. Details of a launch event TBC (to tie in with Doors Open Day?). b) Duke Street. Stephen has circulated the Duke Street report via e-mail. Various options are available regarding how best to take the information forward. These will be considered over the next month. c) Action Plan 2014/15. To be relaunched to tie in with the new membership, post-AGM. Input encouraged for publishing in October.

7. **FINANCE:** Jane reported current balance as £1555.36. Big Gig spending vs income is nearly 'balance neutral' (£120 venue, £180 PA). The petty cash balance is £115.63, with approx. £100 to be taken to cover sundry receipts and some big gig food provision.

8. **CORRESPONDENCE:** a) Planning. Nothing substantial to report. b) Licensing. No applications received. c) Correspondence. A full list was circulated. Discovery of commemorative WWI brass plaque reported by John Mason MSP was noted. Resignations were received by SB from Anne McKenna and Vicky Melvin – flowers to be sent by WW.

9. **A.O.B:** a) WW proposed that correspondence be sent to the team behind the new citywide cycle hire scheme, noting general DCC support and a specific request for coverage to be extended to cover Dennistoun. b) JB to draft a correspondence in support of a Sunday train service to Cumbernauld with a stops at Duke Street and Alexandra Parade. ScotRail due to report back to Transport Scotland on this issue week commencing 25 August 2014.

NEXT MEETING: At 7pm Tuesday September 9th at the Gingerbread Hall, Armadale Street. Please notify Wesley if unable to attend.