



# Dennistoun Community Council

email : [hello@dennistouncc.org.uk](mailto:hello@dennistouncc.org.uk) [www.DennistounCC.org.uk](http://www.DennistounCC.org.uk)

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HAGHILL PRIMARY 9/2/16

**Present:** John Bones (Chair), Stephen Birrell, Brian Johnston, Ruth E. Johnston, Ally Meek, Frank Plowright, Wesley Wright (Council Members), PCs Cameron Smith, David McWilliams,

**Apologies:** Lauren Amazeen, Jane Clarke, Ruth M. Jackson,(council members), Hanzala Malik MSP, John Mason MSP, Councillor Greg Hepburn

Minutes provided by Frank Plowright

- 1. POLICE REPORT:** a) Cameron Smith detailed crimes reported and dealt with in the past month. Wellpark had 10 reports with 4 detected, none serious. Duke St north to Onslow Drive had 13 reports, but only two detected, although again nothing the police considered serious. Onslow Drive to the motorway saw 22 reported crimes, mostly traffic offences and vandalism, although there were also assaults. 8 were detected. Haghill had 30 reported crimes, primarily vandalism and drug related, and half were detected. b) There has been a positive identification of a suspect for December's armed robbery at Subway, and an arrest was made for an assault with intent to rob on January 24<sup>th</sup>. c) Officer Smith mentioned someone wanting to start a Neighbourhood Watch scheme in Marwick St. It was suggested they come to a meeting, and post on the Dennistoun Forum. Stephen noted there has been previous interest, and there's an incentive for cheaper home insurance. John mentioned Milnbank Housing have properties in the area and it would also be worth contacting them d) John asked about the vandalism to cars, and this appears to be random and not linked with theft.
- 2. PUBLIC INPUT:** None present. Frank contacted Land Services and David Mulholland was to attend, but Stephen passed on that there has been an emergency preventing this. He was given information about a query sent in advance. Organic recycling is to be introduced to the flatted properties this year, but no date has been set. Flats will receive caddies and bags, and brown bins will be placed in back courts. Someone will attend the next meeting.
- 3. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 12/01/16:** Approved by Ally and seconded by Brian.
- 4. MATTERS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:** a) Brian has attempted to contact DRS about the missing wall at old Golfhill School, without response. It was decided to write to Education Services about the longstanding decline of the old Golfhill and Haghill school properties and copy in all four local councillors. Brian has been in touch with Councillor Docherty about the matter, but he claimed it wasn't in his area. The three Labour councillors divide the ward with each dealing with a specific boundary, but it was noted that they're elected to represent the entire ward, not just the area they select. b) Loretto Housing were very helpful when Ruth E. contacted them, noting they intended to jet wash the old Duke St Hospital, but this hasn't manifested in action and there has been no update. Stephen didn't receive the circulated correspondence about this.
- 5. ACTION PLAN:** Stephen circulated copies of the plan as re-formatted for the December meeting he couldn't attend. Assorted revisions were mentioned, and Stephen asked that people e-mail him with corrections and he'll update for the next meeting. a) Day Out in Dennistoun: There was a successful launch at Dennistoun Library on January 30<sup>th</sup>. Andy and Brian have now distributed to all venues on the previously circulated list. We need to check

with Andy if Milnbank and Reidvale Housing Associations have been provided with copies, and Frank will provide a bundle to all elected representatives, noting more are available if required. Two boxes were left with the library for distribution, Frank has five, Brian has two and we believe Andy still has some. b) Frank passed on to Stephen that Michael Melvin has been forwarding correspondence regarding the Billboard project to Stephen, but is unsure if it's being received as there has been no response.

6. **FINANCE:** a) Our balance is £1778.82. Petty cash stands at £64.75. Wesley has paid £10.14 for renewal of our domain name for three years, and in a year we'll also need to pay £58 to renew the hosting for a further three years.
7. **CORRESPONDENCE:** a) Planning: i) The problems on Glasgow Council's website notifying planning applications has been rectified, but Brian is again no longer receiving automatic updates of applications in our area. Neither of the two applications over the past month are of concern. ii) Wesley mentioned the Clyde Valley Development consultation running until February 29<sup>th</sup>. It was proposed we modify and submit the response prepared for the Glasgow consultation last year. The plan is online at [clydeplan-sdra.gov.uk](http://clydeplan-sdra.gov.uk), and interested members will meet before the deadline to discuss. iii) In light of continuing changes to usage of commercial premises it was decided to compile a register. Ruth took pictures of Duke St frontages for the Action Plan, and Wesley believes historical pictures are available on Google street view for comparison purposes. iv) Brian noted the conservation society has put in an objection to the removal of old gateposts at 37 Broompark Drive. While this seems strong, the planning system is such that any comment has to be submitted as an objection. b) Licensing: As per policy Stephen has objected to a new HMO application. There is a problem with a rented property in Oakley Terrace dumping furniture in the lane behind. c) Correspondence: A full list is appended. Stephen ran through some items of more immediate note. i) The reporting of potholes via the Council website has experienced problems, now rectified. ii) The Council are reviewing their gambling policy suggesting new conditions. Public input is solicited with a deadline of March 21<sup>st</sup>. iii) There is a campaign regarding the possible building of new waste incineration facility at Scotstoun, with over 1000 objections on the basis that it's unnecessary and the wrong site has been chosen. The community council has asked for support, and it was noted our Councillor Robertson is on the planning committee holding a hearing at the end of February. iv) We've been invited to a meeting concerning integration networks at the Red Road Family Centre at 10.30 on 17/2. v) We've received an invitation to the Queen's annual Garden Party at Hoyrood. The usual stringent conditions apply. Frank suggested this could be passed among the wider community, but was told the invitation only applies to elected members of community councils.
8. **REPORTS:** a) East Centre Area Partnership: Next meeting is March 2<sup>nd</sup>. b) Elected Members: None present.
9. **A.O.B:** a) Frank highlighted the Stalled Spaces application deadline of February 29<sup>th</sup> b) It was decided to book the Haghill premises for April's meeting, and Frank will prepare a list of local venues for discussion at the next meeting. Some members felt that using church halls carried no message, and others considered use of specific denominations could leave some members of the community feeling excluded. c) Frank raised that Stephen's approach to circulating minutes and agenda before a meeting differed from previously, but Stephen said his intention was to circulate a week in advance in future. d) We have been told that there is to be a consultation on traffic in Dennistoun in March following an audit. Brian will follow up. e) It was raised that the Community Council Liaison Office still haven't received our accounts.

**NEXT MEETING:** At 7pm on Tuesday March 9<sup>th</sup>, at Haghill school. Please notify Stephen if unable to attend.