



Dennistoun Community Council

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DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HAGHILL PRIMARY 8/3/16

Present: CCllrs John Bones (Chair), Lauren Amazeen, Brian Johnston, Ruth E. Johnston, Wesley Wright, Christine Quinn, and Jane Clark
PC James Sweeney, PC Peter Shaw, Cllr Russell Robertson, Cllr Frank Docherty, Lori Sullivan (North Glasgow Integration Network), Robert Craig (resident), Eamonn Campbell (resident), Gillian McDonald (GCC), Ewan Paterson (visitor)

Apologies: CCllr Ruth M. Jackson, CCllr Ally Meek, CCllr Stephen Birrell, CCllr Frank Plowright, John Mason MSP, Baillie Elaine McDougall, Cllr Greg Hepburn

Minutes provided by Wesley Wright

- 1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES:** As noted
- 2. POLICE AND CRIME PREVENTION ISSUES:**
 - a) Assaults:** Ruth E. noted two recent attacks on young women that have taken place on Westercraigs and Craigpark.
 - b) Statistics:** Police noted the following crime statistics: Wellpark area – 4 crime reports raised (1 theft, 1 attempted theft, 1 street drinking, 1 Misuse of Drugs Act); Drives area – 10 crime reports raised.
 - c) Shoplifting:** PCs highlighted shoplifting figures were highlighted: Iceland & Co-op (10 incidences) and Craigpark (11 incidences) – presented as indicative, but perhaps not fully representative due to differing levels of willingness by shopkeepers to report shoplifting.
- 3. PUBLIC INPUT:** Traffic problems, around Alexandra Parade Primary School in particular, was raised and discussed. Lack of enforcement of regulations on vehicles idling around schools was noted. Double yellow parking was noted as an issue. A proposal for the installation of pedestrian railing at Alexandra Parade PS has been submitted by Robert Craig to Sandy Carle (GCC Traffic and Road Safety) with positive feedback, and was presented to the meeting for discussion. Alternative suggestions, such as bollards, high kerbs and an extended no parking zone were discussed. It was alleged that, approximately two weeks ago, Police and Community Safety Glasgow were at the Armadale Street entrance/exit and Police advised Community Safety Glasgow not to issue a ticket for cars parked on zig-zags and to provide a '10 min grace period'. Police present at the meeting said that this is not a known standard policy. General disregard for traffic regulations (e.g. single yellow no parking lines) was again noted as a persistent problem throughout Dennistoun. Cllr Robertson will put together a working group to pull together the input on this and move things forward. Cllr Docherty noted that GCC are currently carrying out a survey to establish traffic levels. There will also be at least one public meeting. There was unanimous support for a formal request by DCC for a traffic consultation to be carried out. BJ and JB will liaise after the meeting and forward a letter accordingly.
- 4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (09/02/16):** Approved by Ruth E. Seconded by Wesley.
- 5. MATTERS ARISING:**
 - a) Billboard project** – It is understood that correspondence is ongoing between SB and Michael Melvin.
 - b) Ex-Golfhill school building** – It is understood that GCC/DRS are “considering offers”, as per the last four years. Little else is known about the plans for this site.
 - c) Haghill School site** – No update forthcoming. Status unknown. Viability of recovery is considered to be very low. Ruth E. will liaise with Cllr Docherty to consider proposals for the future of these schools. Cllr Robertson will have a report on

Haghill for presentation at the next meeting. **d) Food waste collections** – Gillian McDonald spoke about this and answered questions. Caddys and bags will be distributed to all households during the coming weeks. Tenements will have grey bins to empty these into from April. Link for further info: lovefoodhatewaste.com.

6. **DCC ACTION PLAN:** **a) Update:** No update available. **b) Working groups:** No reports available.
7. **FINANCE UPDATE:** **a) Bank balance:** £1,778.20. **b) Petty cash:** £54.61.
8. **CORRESPONDENCE:** **a) Planning:** Nothing of significance noted. **b) Licensing:** Nothing noted. **c) Correspondence:** As circulated by SB.
9. **REPORTS:** **a) East Centre Area Partnership:** As per Ruth E.'s notes on Dennistoun library restoration, dog fouling initiative, integrated fund review, and community budgeting pilot projects 2016. **b) Elected Members:** **Cllr Robertson** – Now represents the SNP and will be arranging surgeries in due course. Will monitor imminent (Thursday 10/03/16) GCC budgets for any impact on our locality. Is meeting with a representative of Glasgow health board, and those present gave consensus support from DCC to encourage attendance at a future meeting, if possible, to discuss local health planning. **Cllr Docherty** – Noted the budget announcement. Noted the new head of Whitehill Campus and Golfhill PS. Welcomed the arrival of the World Gymnastics Championships at the Emirates Arena and 2018 European Championships as an example of Commonwealth Games legacy. Confirmed that the Alexandra Park refurbishment is ongoing.
10. **AOCB:** **a) Meeting venues** – Our Lady of Good Council was agreed to be the first choice for the venue of the April meeting, based on availability and accessibility issues already discussed and established. Possibly the Alexandra Parade hub for May. FP to confirm. **b) University project** – Ewan Patterson invited those present to take part in an informal discussion about Dennistoun after the meeting. **c) Day Out In Dennistoun** – Robert Smythe (of dennistoun.co.uk) has offered to look into developing an app to complement the paper map. To be discussed when further details are forthcoming. **d) Community resources** – Lori Sullivan asked about community venues and resources, with a particular emphasis on availability and access to those seeking asylum.
11. **NEXT MEETING:** At 7pm on Tuesday 12th April 2016, at venue TBC. Please notify Stephen if unable to attend.