



Dennistoun Community Council

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Ordinary Meeting

MINUTES

19:00 – 21:00m, Tuesday 9 June 2020

Online, via Zoom

CCllrs Present CCllrs Lauren Bennie (LB); Angela Bretherton (AB) [Chair]; Elaine Docherty (ED); Brian Johnston (BJ); Ruth Johnston (RJ); David Williams (DW); Wesley Wright (WW) [Minute taker].

Others Present: Ivan McKee MSP. Cllrs Allan Casey and Kim Long. Members of the public D York and C Smith. Derek Young. Ben Raw (from *On Bikes*). N Akram (Co-op community representative).

		ACTION
1	Welcome / Introductions / Attendance / Apologies	
Welcome and thanks for attending.		
Apologies: Stephen Campbell (SC); Jonathan Deans (JD); Stephen Birrell (SB); Deborah Hamilton (DH); Sean Kelly (SK); Paul Lavery (PL); Valery Tough (VT); Mary Wallace (MW). Cllr Kim Long. Anne McLaughlin MP.		
2	Previous Meetings	
	a. Minutes of 10 March 2020 Ordinary Meeting	
Proposed by WW; Seconded by ED.		
	b. Minutes of 12 May 2020 Ordinary Meeting	
Minor note amended. Proposed by AB; Seconded by WW.		
	c. Matters Arising	
	SCDC Workshops >>> Arrangements of dates. Postponed until August at earliest.	AB
	Review of our area / Place Standard Tool >>> Written summary deferred, pending SCDC arrangements.	AB
	Bank account signatory changes >>> Arrangements underway, but issue raised by RBS.	JD/SB
	Correspondence about potential golf course title deed conditions >>> Circulated.	
	Alexandra Parade PS induction event stall >>> N/a.	
	Noticeboard installation >>> Confirm details with VHE.	LB
	Interim election for three of five vacancies >>> On hold until further notice.	AB
	Zoom Pro account setup (£11.99 pm excluding VAT, £14.39 including VAT) >>> Done by JD.	
	Covid 19 response >>> LB will forward some funding details for review.	LB
	Accessibility of meetings >>> Looked into. Provision of specific assistance services offered, but deemed as not something to go ahead with for the time being. We will continue to review.	
	Covid-19 Support Glasgow North East group >>> AB to apply for £500 toward cost of delivery of 7500 flyers.	AB
	Co-ordination/discussion between local groups via Zoom conference/meeting >>> Ongoing.	DH
	Space for Distancing/active travel provision >>> Correspondence sent. Ongoing.	WW
3	Space for Distancing/On Bikes	
- <i>On Bikes</i> (St Paul's Youth Forum)campaign summarised by Ben Raw. Suggestions made: get Cllrs on board; involve shops, headteachers, community map, petition, 'small wins', etc.		
- DCC focus so far summarised by WW.		
- Discussion of relative impact on shops of passing vehicular traffic vs active travel.		

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- Cllr Long expressed concern about the effectiveness of temporary measures. In favour of the move towards permanent unless a good reason not to exists. Cllrs didn't see proposals due to delegated authority. Priority should be segregated cycle lanes.
 - An increase in car use over the last ten days was noted by LB.
 - The [recent GCC programme announcement](#) of 'Neighbourhood Space' Phases 1 and 2, and 'Active Travel Routes' Phase 1 not including any specific measures in Dennistoun was highlighted by WW, despite Duke Street/Dennistoun getting mentions in the initial press releases.
 - Cllr Casey and Ivan McKee expressed support for measures mentioned so far.
 - Support for campaigning undertaken by Go Bike was expressed by D Young.
 - Overhanging/excess vegetation onto footways and poor parking were reiterated as prevalent throughout Dennistoun, being relatively easy wins that ought to be dealt with if GCC is to live up to the claimed priorities in terms of Space for Distancing.
 - GCC *Liveable Neighbourhoods* and *City Centre Strategy* flagged up by WW as something relevant to DCC which it should be actively involved with as those projects progress over the coming months.
 - Cllr Long confirmed that the two popular maps in circulation ([Spaces for People](#) and [StreetsForAll](#)) are both being used by GCC to identify potential upgrades to provision.
 - WW raised the idea of the sub-committees being reconfigured to best accommodate DCCs recent, current, and future activity focus. Eg. A s-c focused on all aspects of physical spaces, infrastructure and environment, to combine and build on the currently separate Environment, and Parking and Traffic s-c's? This could perhaps be wee complemented by a new s-c focused on social and community links?
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4 Community Outreach with the Co-op

Naila Akram spoke as the new Co-op community representative. Noting that Dennistoun is one of the least engaged areas in the Co-op programmes compared to other nearby areas. The Community Shopping Scheme for vulnerable people during lockdown was highlighted. Co-op Local Causes (5% given back into local causes) was mentioned, with suggestions sought, to be forwarded to ED. Community Room availability was noted.

5 Public Input

- Enquiry made regarding the status of the RPZ proposal. Cllrs Long and Casey noted that this was believed to be on hold as it does not constitute emergency work.
 - Enquiry made regarding sources of records for Dennistoun Private School. Dennistoun Online and Dennistoun Conservation Society were identified.
 - RJ noted a request already made for security for the Necropolis statues, with some defacement having been identified.
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6 Elected Members

Cllr Long

- Thanks given to the Covid NE Support group.
 - Reminder given that Council meetings (including Full Council) are resuming soon.
 - Update given on asylum case work.
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Ivan McKee

- Updates given on involvement in PPE supply chain work and Business Support measures.
 - Food support arranged for isolated and vulnerable individuals.
 - Covid NE Support group has multiple options to assist those in need (e.g. fuel, food, etc).
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Cllr Casey

- Thanks given to the Covid NE Support group.
 - Recovery plan discussed.
 - Public disorder (Hogarth Park) identified as not being an isolated occurrence. Some key individuals have been placed under curfew.
 - Milnbank HA and Glasgow Life are in discussion regarding the forward plan for the Alexandra Park golf course.
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7 Officer Updates

a. Chair/Vice-chair

None.

b. Treasurer

- Correspondence regarding signatory changes acknowledged, but not confirmed as actioned.
- WW is still due a cheque to cover website hosting fees, but is content to wait for the time being until in-person meetings of relevant signatories are more easily arranged.
- JD has paid himself to cover the Zoom subscription.

c. Secretary

- SK correspondence summarised pesticide concerns. Cllrs Long and Casey have forwarded these to the relevant personnel and have requested an update in return. Cllr Long/
Cllr Casey
- Enquiry received regarding a potential eastern entrance to the Necropolis. Similar enquiries have been received in the past. RJ will respond, noting that the Necropolis is not just a park, but an active graveyard, the Grade A listing and that, as such, Historic Environment Scotland would not give permission. Additionally there are vandalism issues that have reduced significantly since Friends of Glasgow Necropolis was founded 15 years ago, but it still occurs. ALL means of making it safe have been addressed and considered (along with GCC) to no avail. Until the housing on Firpark Street is built and there are people living overlooking the wall and/or an access from the east, support is very unlikely to be given to this proposal. RJ
- Enquiry regarding potential for a mural on the wall at Amore on Alexandra Parade. LB will respond. LB

d. Planning and Licensing

Nothing to note.

e. Dennistoun Area Partnerships

Nothing (no meetings).

f. CC Development Sessions

On hold.

8 Sub-committees

a. Strategic Communications

More Cllrs are now able to access and administer the DCC Twitter account.

b. Environment

N/a.

c. Parking and Traffic

N/a.

9 Any Other Business

- No responses yet to the request for a 'rollover' of the booking fees, for use at a future date. ED
- A reply to correspondence inviting a response regarding potential phone masts is not required at this stage: DCC will respond to a planning application as/when it occurs.

10 Note of Next Meeting

Ordinary meeting, 7-9pm, Tuesday 14th July 2020, online via Zoom.

Agenda for Ordinary meeting will be circulated, and published to [Dennistouncc.org.uk/dates](https://dennistouncc.org.uk/dates).

Apologies to be submitted to secretary via hello@dennistouncc.org.uk.

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