



Dennistoun Community Council

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Notes of the Dennistoun Community Council Planning Meeting

held on Tuesday 8th August 2023, from 7pm,
held at St Andrews East Church Hall, 685 Alexandra Parade, G31 3LN.

Cllrs Present

Steven Campbell (SC); Lisa Clifford (LC); Tom Dickson (TD); Brian Johnston (BJ); Ruth Johnston (RJ); Frank Plowright (FP); Ian Sheerer (IS); Valery Tough (VT) [Chair]; Wesley Wright (WW) [Minute taker].

Apologies: Cllr Fiona Nixon (FN).

Not present: Jane Marley (JM); Callum McLennan (CMcL); Ellen McVey (EMcV); Lewis Thomas Hughes (LTH).

	ACTION
<p>1 AGM Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Venue: St Andrews East Church Hall. - VT and WW will not be standing for the roles of Chair, Secretary and Minute Secretary. - FP is willing to stand for Vice-chair for another year, and would potentially take on the Minute Secretary role. - LC is willing to stand for Treasurer for another year. - The suggestion of co-chairs was raised, and met with some enthusiasm. The constitution formalises the naming of the roles, but there's nothing to stop a Chair and Vice-chair having an equal share of the workload. 	
<p>2 HMOs and Short-term Lets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DCC has had a policy for a number of years that an objection is submitted in response to applications for new HMOs, with applications for renewals not being objection to unless there are applicable specific circumstances. - It is understood that there are currently 21 in the DCC area. - Generally it was felt that the HMOs in place are generally not a problem, whereas short-term lets have a more variable track-record. - The various competing housing market pressures of, for example, students requiring residences vs families requiring residences was noted in terms of demand for a similar type of housing stock. - Noted that a few HMOs have been sold and converted back to single private residences. - Vote on the following motion: Keep the existing DCC policy of objecting to applications for new HMOs and extend it to include applications for Short-term lets (from when that application system becomes operational). Motion passed with eight votes in favour, and one abstention. 	
<p>3 Treasure Hunt</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GCC grant condition requires the GCC logo be included on promotional material. - No response to email (or follow up) to the Co-op community rep. - Prize to be a voucher for art materials. - Prizes to be distributed to schools for awarding (rather than holding a single prize-giving). 	FP
<p>4 Any Other Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pedestrian crossings. Submit to AP. CC to Cllrs. Publish on website. - GCC comms on maintenance (gully cleaning, bike rack outside library, etc). Letter sent to Cllrs, with some responses. Responses have been generic forwarding, and therefore largely unsatisfactory. To be followed up with a further response (FP to draft) before investigation options. 	WW/VT FP/VT

- Planning permission granted for Coias cafe on the Duke Street Bellgrove corner, but with reduced outdoor seating and without a statue on the newer set of drawings added to the planning portal.

- Invite Fire Service and Police to September meeting.

LC/WW

5 Next Meeting

- Ordinary meeting on Tue 12 September 2023, 7pm, at St Andrews East Church Hall.

- Agenda to be circulated with invites in advance, and published to [Dennistouncc.org.uk/dates](https://dennistouncc.org.uk/dates).

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