

NEWLANDS AND AULDHOUSE COMMUNITY COUNCIL, 12th October, 2017

PRESENT

Robert McElroy (Chairman), James Cooper, Jim Dryburgh (Treasurer), John Duthie, Scott Ronald (Secretary)

IN ATTENDANCE

Bailie Josephine Docherty

6 members of the public, Bill Carson (Pollokshaws and Eastwood CC), Marie Cavanagh, Marie McMahon, Ken Nicolson (Lanton Park Owners' association), Scott Robertson (Rector, St Margaret's Church), Maggie McTiernan (Assistant Rector)

APOLOGIES

Charles Gallagher, Sandy Walls, Councillor Stephen Curran, Bailie Kyle Thornton

MINUTES 7th September

These were approved, proposed by James Cooper and seconded by Jim Dryburgh.

MATTERS ARISING

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A notice has been received advertising a sailing course, organised by the RYA, that is taking place in the Scout Hall later in October. Those interested should contact Sandy Walls.
2. Secretary has been advised by the Information Commissioner's Office that Data Protection issues make publishing details of Planning Applications on the CC website impractical.
3. A Community Safety Conference has been arranged in the Jennieburn Centre, Castlemilk, on 20th October from 11.00 – 13.00. It will be attended by representatives from the Consumers' Association and Police Scotland. Subjects covered will include:
 - a. Dealing with nuisance phone calls
 - b. Avoiding "scams"
 - c. Advice on home security and crime prevention from the Police.

POLICE REPORT

PCs Dougie McKinlay attended the meeting.

Since the last meeting, there have been 13 crime reports – 1 misuse of drugs, 2 road traffic, 1 theft, 2 incidents of vandalism, 2 assaults, 4 cases of shoplifting and 1 breaking and entering.

Chairman has had complaints about the behaviour of a gang of youths who are causing a disturbance and committing acts of vandalism. PC McKinley said that the Police were aware of this gang and that their activities have been quite widespread but the fact that they are "underage" limits the options that are open to the Police when dealing with them. He went on to urge members of the public to help the Police by reporting these incidents and assured the meeting that these reports would be taken seriously.

Police Scotland is undertaking a survey called "Your View Counts" in which members of the public are invited to express their views on how Police Resources should be allocated. The objective is to obtain as many responses from as wide a cross section of the public as possible. The survey can be completed on line at:

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts>.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. The "Doggy Park"

Marie Cavanagh said that the situation is unchanged and that the site visit promised by Councillor Steven Curran at the September CC meeting had not taken place. Baillie Docherty said that such visits can take up to 2 months to arrange.

Marie Cavanagh and Ken Nicolson have had a separate meeting with Councillor Curran at which they reminded him of the Terms of the Deed gifting the land to Glasgow City Council. Ken Nicolson expressed concern that the Council did not seem to understand that the terms of this gift obliged them to maintain this ground.

Baillie Docherty asked for and was given a copy of the Deed of Gift. She also undertook to pursue the question of the site visit.

2. Weeds on the Muirend Road Roundabout

Following on from the above, Secretary reminded the meeting that a complaint about the condition of this roundabout had been received at the June CC Meeting in the presence of all 3 of the councillors for our ward. The matter was reported at the time using the "My Glasgow" App and again in August but nothing has been done.

3. Pollokshaws

Bill Carson (representing Pollokshaws and Eastwood CC) asked for the NACC's support in objecting to the use of the road leading into the Auldhouse Retail Park by a motor trader, who is using the road as a "showroom", by parking vehicles for sale along both sides of the road. The road is already quite narrow, the volume of traffic has increased considerably following the opening of the Aldi store, further increases are expected as other new businesses open and these vehicles are causing a serious obstruction. NACC agreed to support a letter from Pollokshaws asking for restrictions to be put in place to prevent this practice.

A fireworks display has been arranged on 5th November, at Pollokshaws Burgh Hall, starting at 07.00 pm.

Discussions are ongoing between GHA and Police Scotland with a view to GHA's acquiring the Pollokshaws Police Station for use as a new office in the event of its becoming surplus to Police requirements.

Plans are also being considered for demolishing the former Sir John Stirling Maxwell School and building a new state of the art library on the site (which must be used for educational purposes under the terms of the Deed of Gift to Glasgow City Council).

COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Baillie Docherty said that a drop in public exhibition, which will give further details of the Phase 3 works of the White Cart Flood Prevention Scheme, will be held in Newlands South Church, between

12.30 and 19.30 on both Tuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th October. This event will be staffed with representatives from both Glasgow City Council and their consultant engineers, CH2M.

FETE

Chairman reiterated the comments made at the AGM re. the splendid attendance and thanking those concerned with the organisation of the Fete.

Treasurer reported that final accounts for the fete are not yet available, as the bills for the printer and the hire of barriers have still to be received. 3 invoices for advertising in the programme are also unpaid.

FINANCE

The Treasurer reported a balance of £4,244.10. This does not include the items referred to above.

PLANNING

Secretary reported that he had received the following notices of planning applications since the last meeting:

6-Sep-17	Mr & Mrs Steven Mailes Mr Alison Berry	15 Broom Road Glasgow G43 2TP 66 Monreith Road Glasgow G43 2PE	Installation of bi-fold doors, formation of stepped access with balustrade and infill of existing side access.
13-Sep-17 None			
20-Sep-17	Mr Tony Gill	43 Langside Drive Glasgow G43 2QQ	Erection of two storey side and rear extensions and formation of window openings to side of dwellinghouse.
27-Sep-17	Mr Jim Coulter	21 Langside Drive Glasgow G43 2EP	External alterations to workshop at rear of dwellinghouse including dormer extension and formation of access stairs.

Marie McMahon said that the situation in Quadrant Road remains unchanged, i.e. no new planning application has been made by her neighbour.

A.O.C.B.

James Cooper said that “all of the trees” in Auldhouse Park were leaning over and in need of support. Baillie Docherty said that she would notify LES of this.

James also raised the condition of the road at the bus stop in Riverford Road, which is badly rutted. The problem is being exacerbated by the introduction of double deck buses on the route, which has increased the wear and tear on the road surface. Secretary said that this had been raised at previous meetings and reported to GCC but nothing had been done. However, after some discussion, it became apparent that the previous report related to the bus stop opposite Morrisons, whereas James was now referring to another bus stop nearby – i.e. there are 2 bus stops in Riverford Road with the same problem. Baillie Docherty will report this to the Roads Dept.

John Duthie said that a “Wounds of War” exhibition, featuring the work of the field hospitals in WWI, was taking place at “Digging In” at Pollok Park this weekend (14 – 15 October).

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 2nd November, 2017 at 07.15 pm in the Scout Hall.

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