

NACC AGM Thursday 07 October 2021 7pm - 7.40pm

1 Present Jade Graham (Chair), John Duthie (notes), Jim Dryburgh (JimD), Colette McAlpine, Alison Mitchell, Sandy Walls (SW), Stephen Dowling (Community Councils Officer, City Council)

Apologies – Jules Murphy (JM), Police (written report in lieu)

In Attendance – Jason Murphy, Lawrence Schmulian

2 Previous AGM Minutes

- The minutes of the March 2021 AGM were approved. Proposed by JimD; Seconded SW.

3 Chair Report

- Since the start of Lockdown in March/April 2020, the Community Council has managed to meet online on a regular basis. For the first 9 months this comprised informal Zoom calls among members. Official meetings resumed at the start of 2021. The Chair proposed that the online meetings format continue meantime, with the option to resume face to face meetings in due course. This was agreed.
- The Community Council was notified last year by a local resident that the phone box on Lochlea Rd at Auldhouse Road had been included in the BT Adopt a Phone Box scheme. Its consequent application has been successful. The Chair proposed that the Council assume responsibility for this adoption. This was agreed. Plans to refurbish the site include replacement of the (18) missing glass panes and the installation of a defibrillator.
- Early in first Lockdown, 2020, the Community Council agreed to donate 1,000GBP from its funds to the Pollokshaws Hub. For various reasons this did not happen. The Hub has indicated that it would welcome such a donation. This will be revisited at a future Council meeting.
- Julia Radcliffe and her team at Friends of Newlands Park (FoNP) have been doing some wonderful work this past year, including securing funding for some joint public offers which are to be taken before the end of April, 2022. These would be shared between Newlands Park and Auldhouse Park.
- The FoNP's 'development plan', as outlined in previous meeting minutes (new plants, tools, tool shed, signs, interpretation materials and an event), has undergone a rigorous assessment process by the Mushroom Trust. This included a trustees' visit, with two landscape historians present. In the event, the Mushroom Trust has awarded FoNP a grant of 2,100GBP.
- The more recently established Friends of Auldhouse Park is in need of more help and support from local residents in order to develop projects for Auldhouse Park.
- At the Newlands Auldburn Area Partnership meeting held on Thursday 12th August 2021, options for the allocation of the Local Parks and Open Spaces Improvement Fund were

discussed with Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability proposing a walkabout around various sites within the Ward. Locations focusing on biodiversity enhancements, trees, access and questions on railings etc., which I am more than happy to walk and talk about and discuss the potential. Much of what we discuss could be seen as a template that we can replicate across the ward and in doing so if the community wishes open up some opportunities for them to partake in planting of bulbs or plug plants that will go on to support pollinators.

- Discussions included:

Parks and open spaces

Auldhouse – Plant flowers on grassy triangle at Mamore Street/Glenspean Street; install bench in this location.

Newlands Park – Installation of Play Equipment for Older Children

Auldhouse Park – Repair of the fence and gates; planting flowers on empty beds at the edges of the park; clearance of growth from paths; wheelchair accessible swings.

Disease in Birch Trees – This may affect 15% of the trees in Glasgow, which will need to be replaced somehow.

In conclusion, this report, while covering the year just past, includes a number of positive things to be looked forward to in the year ahead.

4 Finance Report

Our Accounts have been passed by our Treasurer to the Chair and on to the Community Councils' City Council Officer, in which regard Stephen Dowling confirmed to the meeting that these had been approved and accepted.

5 Election of Community Councillors.

At this point the Chair handed control of the meeting to Stephen Dowling, in his capacity as the Community Councils' City Council Officer.

Stephen explained that, as this was the end of a four year cycle, the entire council had to stand down. He had received nomination papers from seven local residents. Since this number exceeded 50% of the 12 places available, all seven were duly elected:

Jim Dryburgh, John Duthie, Jade Graham, Collette McAlpine, Alison Mitchell, Julia Murphy, and Sandy Walls.

From these, the executive roles were filled as follows:

Chair	Jade Graham	Collette McA	Sandy W
Vice-Chair	Sandy Walls	Jim D	Collette McA
Secretary	John Duthie	Sandy W	Jade G
Minutes Secretary	John Duthie	Sandy W	Jade G
Treasurer	Jim Dryburgh	Collette McA	Jade G

Planning Contact	Alison Mitchell	Collette McA	Jade G
Licensing Contact	Alison Mitchell	Collette McA	Jade G
Area Partnership Lead	Jade Graham	Alison M	John D
Area Partnership Sub	Jade Graham	Alison M	John D

At this point control of the meeting was returned to the chair.

7 Appointment of Independent Examiner of Accounts.

Jim D reported that was prepared to continue in this role. This was accepted.

8 Associate Members

There are none at present.

9 Inventory and Additional Resources

Stephen explained that, finances permitting, Community Councillors were permitted to purchase e.g. laptops and phones with which to conduct Community Council business. In addition to the annual administration expenses grant, application could be made for an additional grant to be put towards such equipment. The Treasurer would be required to maintain details of such inventory items.

Regarding mention made earlier of the defibrillator. The City manages a discretionary grant fund, to which an application could be made to help with the purchase of such an item. The position regarding insurance in this case would require to be investigated.

10 Date of the Next Annual General Meeting.

Thursday 06 October 2022.