

MINUTES OF MEETING OF NORTH KELVIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL ON 9 JANUARY 2018
6.30pm, St Charles Church Hall

Present

Members: Christine Alison (CA, secretary NKCC), Merle Read (MR)
Councillor Martha Wardrop (MW), PC Peter Bell (PB)

Apologies

Elaine Doherty, Alasdair Macdonald, Douglas Peacock, Jamie Thomas-Harley (Chair), Martin Venherm (Treasurer), Councillor Jane Morgan

1. CA chaired the meeting and welcomed those present.
2. Approval of the last minutes was deferred as insufficient members were present.
3. **Police report:** PB stated 36 crimes were reported in roughly our area over the preceding month:

	Detected	Not detected
Vandalism	0	7
Theft from vehicle	0	1
Housebreaking	0	3
Theft of a bike	0	2
Other theft	1	5
Dishonesty	0	2
Public order	4	1
Sexual crime (not assault)	1	1
Road traffic	1	2
Violence	1	4
Total	8	28

The housebreakings were reported in Striven Gardens, Garrioch Road and Murano Street. The detected act of violence was robbery of a taxi driver and the 4 other were assaults.

Vandalism to cars attributed by witnesses to youngsters on BMX bikes has been reported in Wilton St, Doune Gardens and Striven Gardens. People who have challenged the bikers have been verbally abused. Police advice: phone it in. MW said it had been reported at her surgery.

For some time a car had been abandoned in Doune Gardens. An attempt to remove it failed because the tow truck couldn't get access. MW was to follow up, and the police were to speak to the owner. [The car was destroyed by fire a few days later and has since been removed.]

4. **Councillor's report.** A report from Land and Environmental Services (LES) on the **Queen Margaret Drive improvements** was due later in January. A meeting will be held on 6 February at 231 George St, 10am, to which NKCC members and QMD business representatives have been invited, to ensure officers are led by the community. A preliminary design will be developed and there will be a further public consultation.

Plans are awaited re **Belhaven Nursery and the new school**. The existing nursery building will be retained rather than form part of the rebuild. It has been proposed that the Portakabin showers are relocated for the benefit of Victoria Cricket Club.

Doune Gardens Lane: a JCB is awaited.

Melrose Gardens Lane: ownership has been clarified and Hacking & Paterson factors are taking the lead in getting the lane cleaned up.

Wilton St Gardens: 4 rotten trees are due to be removed in February.

Wilton Crescent Lane: a planning application is likely to go to Planning Committee because of the number of objections.

Workshops and a public drop-in exhibition were planned by **Scottish Canals** in January in relation to work at the Stockingfield Junction. [Since postponed because of the work being rescheduled; new date not yet known.]

West End Festival: MW was due to go to a meeting on a 5-year plan for how the festival is organised.

MW is trying to get clarification on GCC maintenance of **street lighting in lanes**. The policy seems to be that failed columns won't be replaced but bulbs will be replaced. MW has asked for details of the policy and wants it to be published and put out for consultation. A policy statement is needed.

5. Clean-ups. Deferred.
6. **Planning officer's report.** Two applications for HMOs had been received and objected to (as is our policy).
7. Treasurer's report. Deferred.

8. **Communications report.** Agreement has been reached with LES for the erection of a community noticeboard at the top of Belmont Street, near the steps going into the park. MR had emailed LES about the height of the planned noticeboard as it was too high to be suitable for eg wheelchair users but had not received a reply. MW to follow up. [We have since been advised to liaise with the manufacturer of the noticeboard.]
9. Correspondence. A leaflet on the **new Woodside Health Centre**, *New Woodside Health and Care Centre News*, was circulated. The new centre is on target to be completed and operational by the end of 2018. Copies can be obtained by contacting May Simpson, Community Engagement Officer (0141 314 6250; May.Simpson@ggc.scot.nhs.uk).
10. Licensing. No information.
11. A O B. **Food banks:** Glasgow NW Citizens Advice & Woodlands Community Food Development Project have produced leaflets on local food banks, including a map of food distribution points and list of locations and opening times. [The leaflets can be downloaded from their website.](#)

The Maryhill Song Book has been produced by Maryhill Burgh Halls and can be [purchased online](#). [“The book is 18 pages long, with music sheets of 7 original melodies composed by Maeve Mackinnon and Maryhill Heritage Choir with 19th century poetry as the lyrics and includes an historical narrative for each song.”]
12. CA closed the meeting.

Date of next meeting: 6 February 2018, 6.30pm, St Charles Church Hall, 1 Kelvinside Gardens.