

Minutes of monthly meeting of North Kelvin Community Council

5 June, 2018, at 6.30pm in St Charles' Church Hall, 1, Kelvinside Gardens.

Present

Members: Douglas Peacock (DP), Merle Read (MR), Alasdair Macdonald (AM), Christine Alison (CA);
Councillor Ken Andrew (KA), Councillor Jane Morgan (JA);
Police Scotland David Watt (DW), Vicky Shaw (VA)
Local residents Inta Bakewell (IB), Andrew Smith (AS), Craig Anderson (CA)

Apologies: Elaine Docherty, Martin Venherm

1. Chair DP opened the meeting, which was not quorate.
2. Minutes of April meeting not approved because meeting not quorate.

3. Problems at North Kelvin Meadow/ Children's Wood

DP raised issues over acts of vandalism that have become prevalent in recent months, out of keeping with relatively problem free previous 10 years.

DP explained it appears to be a group of around 12 youngsters, with setting fires and destroying fixtures such as mud kitchen. Attempt to engage this group with food making activities have had limited success, not sure where these problems will lead to.

CA brought up problems in scrublands at stairs across from St Charles caused by youth congregating and leaving alcohol and drug paraphernalia.

Action: DP still learning curve. Have volunteers who visit area on number of nights, might require youth workers/ paid help.

Action: PB said they would ensure that plain clothes officers would attend the areas every night for a week.

Encouraged residents to phone 101 if they witness any problems so that incidents were lodged by police.

Would see how National Theatre Of Scotland event that was running from June 11 passed off.

Action: KA said he would take the issue up with the chief inspector.

4. Police report

Recorded crimes for May, 2018 in Kelvin

Theft: 1 incident

Assaults: 1 incident, 1 arrest

Vandalism: 1 incident

Police also reported... there had been a theft from nursery, mostly envelopes, not detected;

...an incident of culpable and reckless behaviour in the form of a bus being stoned, not detected.

...a Sect 2RTA/Secc 38 at Queen Margaret Drive.

...a Sec 170 RTA in form of damaged BT box.

...an assault.

5. Presentation by Stuart Matthewson (St John Scotland) of defibrillators

Provided demonstration of defibrillator and explained the placing of these in community area can save lives.

Idea to make available to public in phone box/local shop to ensure early CPR, with the need to attend those

suffering cardiac arrest between three and five minutes to improve greatly survival rates. Explained

community council fundraising would see St John's meet 25% of costs, with the defib costs to be met between

£750 and £1,000.

Action: Community council to discuss whether to pursue fundraising for such a purchase.

6. Councillor reports

Cllr Morgan:

*Supported objection to HMO request for QMD, seven people in 40 Clouston St. Enquire about planning permission, may be entitled to licence.

*The planning consultation for NK primary school cancelled. Will review assets and land being built on. Asked question at last meeting, said review concluded. Intention is to build school. Planning process now has to recommence.

Cllr Andrew

*Expressed concern over proposed NK school location, currently to be sited on eastern-most border of Maryhill, almost in North Kelvin. School is to serve community in Maryhill, current proposed site may not best serve.

*Wellbeing, Empowerment, Community and Citizen Engagement city policy has been approved. It is now in final consultation period, which will be up to four weeks. This might be too tight, fairly lengthy document. Idea to work on four or five points before AGM in October.

* Attended WEG, went very well.

* Liaising with Heartstone Chandra, based in Dingwall, which is an organisation that works with schoolchildren in late primary early secondary to tackle prejudice and discrimination.

* Received a flurry of requests over a regulated parking zone.

8. *Clean up - Wilton Street - 16/6/18*

MR reported that she would bring the necessary implements for the clean up running for a few hours from 10.30am.

Update: Clean up carried out.

9 *Street closures - Braeside St 22/6/18 & QMD 24/6/18*

Groups Streetlife, Communities Areas Glasgow and Free Wheel North were organising these events to allow children to play safely on closed streets and bring the local residents together.

Update: Ventures reported to be successful and well attended.

10. *Planning officer's report*

Nothing to report beyond objection to HMO in Clouston Street.

11. *Treasurer's report*

No treasurer's report.

12. *Communications report*

Noticeboard to be installed at Belmont Street Bridge.

Update: Noticeboard now fully operational.

13. *Correspondence*

None

14. *AOB*

*KA raised topic of participatory budget element of community empowerment act that will result in certain council wards having direct access to 1% of the council budget, which is £23m. Misapprehension that this would mean each of the council wards receiving £2.3m each, but the funds will be targets to those wards with pronounced needs. Currently Canal, Calton, Pollokshields and Pollokshaws are taking part in pilot scheme.

*DP informed the meeting that they may see many more honey bees than normal in their gardens , window boxes etc. This is because North Kelvin Meadow and the Children Wood now has a honey bee hive consisting of about 30k bees. They will forage within a mile of their hive. Patrick Grady MP opened the "beedokit" last Sunday. The beedokit is a housing that has the bee hive elevated about 10 feet up so as the traffic going in and out of the hive isn't a problem for dogs and kids etc.

15. *Date of next meeting - 7 August 2018*