

North Kelvin Community Council

Chairperson Report FY2018

We began the year with a satisfactory refusal of planning permission for the Curves Building at 127 Fergus Drive but would end the year with a new planning application to review for this site.

During the year we had ongoing discussions within our community council on having North Kelvin as part of a Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) like other neighboring West End areas. No firm dates have been given from the Council on a timeline for a public consultation on this matter. The issues regarding parking have increased for this area for some time now.

We did feed back into two formal public consultations that the council raised. The first was our submission on the Council new Licensing Policy statement in November 2017 and then in May 2018 on Houses of Multiple Occupancy (HMO) policy. We continued to object to new and renewal HMO licence applications.

During the year a gang of BMX bikers / young people caused much antisocial behaviour and vandalism to cars and property. We discussed with the local police on how to resolve these issues.

In terms of planning the main item for us, along with the Curves building development mentioned previously, was the new proposed primary school at the old red blaes playing field at the corner of Maryhill Road and Queen Margret Drive.

About halfway through the year our Chairperson Jamie Thomas-Harley resigned. My colleagues and I gave Jamie many thanks for his sterling efforts in steering this community council forward.

Our lack of numbers in our community council had been an issue for some time, so it's very pleasing to report we end the year with a much increased membership count.

However, even with a low membership count in the first half we still kept our activity level high and for example carried out our regular community clean-up events throughout our area. Another action well

executed was putting up our community council notice board on Belmont street. The new intake of colleagues has already started driving forward some actions, for example following up on potentially having a defibrillator within our community.

I'd like to thank all past and present members of the community council for their work during this last year and I believe with an increased membership we go into FY2019 in good shape to help make North Kelvin a better place to live and visit.

Chairperson
Douglas A Peacock
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