

NORTH KELVIN COMMUNITY COUNCIL ST CHARLES CHURCH HALL

1 KELVINSIDE GARDENS, GLASGOW – [6] AUGUST 2019 AT 6.30pm

PRESENT

Community Councillors:

Douglas Peacock (DP) - chair
Alasdair Macdonald (AM)
Merle Read (MR)
Christine Alison (CA)
Andrew Smith (AS) - minutes
David Conway (DC)
Elaine Docherty (ED)

Others in attendance:

Peter Bell, Police Scotland
Rod Sharp, Police Scotland
Barbara Murphy
James Murphy
Charlotte McEloney
Murray Will
Jamie Maclean
Mr G Barrie

Glasgow City Councillors

Martha Wardrop (MW)
Jane Morgan (JM)
Ken Andrews (KA)

APOLOGIES

Inta Bakewell
Denis Robertson Sullivan

1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of July meeting approved (ED, DC)

2. POLICE REPORT

Police Officer Peter Bell reiterated that he was unable to provide certain crime statistics as previously related and that the ability to give only crime trends, a snapshot, came from “way up the chain”. Concern in previous reporting concerned identifying individual victims.

Summary provided of crimes between July 6 and August 6:

- Recorded crime was down last month
- House break-ins decreased. Only burglary was in Kelvinside Gdns at property undergoing renovation.
- Number of incidents of theft remained the same. No change in pedal cycle thefts.
- In terms of serious crime, aware of problems with anti-social behaviour in QMD area.
- Sexual crimes amounted to one case in a facility and an internet dating offence under investigation.

ACTION

Cllr Wardrop to write a letter to the Safe Glasgow Group about unsatisfactory change of approach to reporting crime statistics. On anti-social behaviour issues, pointed out Glasgow Life leads on working with youth workers and youth partnerships in third sector in attempt to talk and listen more to young people.

CA to liaise with Cllr Morgan over placing a request for crime figures through an FOI. Problem is these figures could be out of date with multi-ward data collected quarterly. Cllr KA to invite representatives from social work and children's service to next area partnership.

2. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

JM:

- Approached by number of residents about bin collections in Botanic Cres, following risk assessment that resulted in lorries no longer going into lane, which is privately owned land. Not handled properly. On-going dialogue to restore collections.
- Issue with non-compliance regarding bus gate at Hotspur St. Looking at installation of camera.

KA

- Received notification of traffic regulation order (TRO) on QMD. Metered parking. Always concerned with knock-on effects of procedure. Got to get timing right.

MW

- Sent letter to council from NKCC over letters sent to BC residents saying no more bin collections. Questions over lane strategy in defending communities. No money to repair private lanes. Need to work with cleansing to prevent current impasse. Suggest survey of private lanes and identify risks if not maintained. Share information on-line.
- Received many letters on proposed controlled parking zone CPZ on QMD. Concerned cycle lane could be delayed. Businesses, cyclists and residents need clarity and want upgrade.

ACTION

Cllr JM to contact back lane associations and liaise with NKCC and MR to create a list of lanes and associations to be put on NKCC website.

4. PLANNING

DC reported no new planning issues. Flagged up latest with 127 Fergus Drive. Received letter in post that developers had appealed demolition order to Scottish government. It appears many 'interested parties' did not receive developers' appeal for demolition and development.

ACTION

DC to write to DPEA in relation to demolition in conservation area.

5. MEETING PLACE ACCESSIBILITY

Concern over wheelchair access being impossible through stair entrance to St Charles' church hall.

ACTION

CA to write to church organiser Jim Divers to request that entry to hall could be granted through church to negate any accessibility issues.

6. COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Suggested that Mingarry Lane would be area for monthly clean-up with August 24 between 10.30am and 12.30pm the date and time.

ACTION

Give notification of leaflet distribution Monday before.

UPDATE

Following an inspection of the lane was decided that the area did not require a clean-up. Further clean-up delayed till following month.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

ACTION

CA to write to Willie Miller of Glasgow University, over public engagement art proposals for new building and ask him to attend September meeting.

UPDATE

Unable to attend.

7. AOB

- Licensing matter as regards renewal of HMO for flat 21, 170 Wilton Street. Voted unanimously to object to renewal..

ACTION

AS to write to city council to lodge objection to HMO renewal at this property.

- Resident raised anger over lack of communication to local residents regarding tree removal programme that involves complete destruction of poplar variety around the campus area of new primary school in QMD, and removal of trees behind The Strathmore pub, which do not seem to be covered either by school footprint considerations, or council policy

ACTION

Cllr Wardrop to write and ask why poplar trees are being removed as part of new primary school in North Kelvinside.

ACTION

DC to write letter over traffic issues over new primary school.

Date of next meeting, September 3, 2019, 6.30pm St Charles [Church Hall]