

## **Note of North Kelvin Community Council online meeting, 6.30pm, Tuesday 4 August 2020**

### Present

NKCC members: Inta Bakewell, Douglas Peacock (chair), Merle Read, Hannah Graham (HG, associate)  
Councillors Ken Andrew (KA) and Martha Wardrop (MW)

2 members of the public

### Apologies

Christine Alison, David Conway, Alasdair Macdonald, Andrew Smith, Cllr Jane Morgan

The meeting was not quorate so no decisions could be taken.

### 1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Deferred to next meeting.

### 2. POLICE REPORT

Police are unable to attend Zoom meetings.

Issues discussed: burglary, vandalism, antisocial behaviour, noise.

### 3. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

**Curves redevelopment:** concerns were raised about the lack of traffic management, specifically due to closure of Fergus Drive to through traffic without warning (for half an hour on afternoon of Friday 31st July) and lorries reversing up from Queen Margaret Drive. Roads Dept have been asked for comments. Environmental Health have been asked to investigate the level of dust raised.

Other issues discussed:

- Car-free zones around schools.
- Repairs have finally been carried out to Stair St (thanks to MW for pursuing this).
- Antisocial behaviour in Botanic Gardens. Support needed for youth work activity, police involvement, support for young people.
- MW is having online surgeries and is available by phone.
- KA noted Tesco have a defibrillator in the store.
- Problems with grey food recycling bins being used incorrectly, not being serviced or disappearing.
- KA aiming to set up meeting re the gap site on Wilton St.

### 4. VOLUNTEER NETWORK UPDATE

HG reported on feedback to her volunteering survey. Most respondents had received thanks for offering help but only a few had received or acted on requests for help. The situation has now quietened down. Most people seem to have made arrangements. Looking ahead, it would be useful to keep some kind of befriending ticking over. HG to report further.

MW: pension credit uptake poor. Public transport not being used as much as previously.

Other options for support: Age Scotland, Home Energy, Glasgow Disability Alliance, Re-engage (Contact the Elderly).

### 5. DISCUSSION ON COUNCIL SERVICES REGARDING THE PANDEMIC

Most services were kept going and did well in the circumstances. Communications were a big frustration because of staff working from home, esp. in first 6 to 8 weeks.

Councillors lost use of their council laptops just at the time when leadership most needed. More pressure on frontline staff.

GCC website did not have up-to-date info for community councils.

Local businesses got business support grants to help tide them over.

Positives include Space for People being rolled out across the city; improvement in air quality; closure of Kelvin Way to traffic positively received; more people cooking at home; homelessness being tackled.

6. COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Deferred.

7. COMPLAINT ABOUT NOISE ON KELVIN WALKWAY

MW had passed this to Sgt Bell. Additional patrols were taking place on the Walkway.

8. PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT

Deferred, but in passing it was noted an application had been made to convert an HMO into a single dwelling.

9. LICENSING

Deferred.

10. COMMUNICATIONS REPORT

Newsletter has been issued.

11. AOB

Overgrown hedges restricting pavement use on Fergus Drive.  
Zero-waste shop soon to open on Queen Margaret Drive.

Meeting ended 7.45pm.

Next meeting: Tuesday 1st September 2020 (via Zoom)