## North Kelvin Community Council Meeting, 5, April, 2022 Minutes.

**Present:** Douglas Peacock (Chair), Alasdair Macdonald (Treasurer), Christine Alison (Secretary), Merle Reid, David Conway, Elaine Doherty;

**Apologies**: Andrew Smith, Alasdair Smith, Louise MacKenzie, Phil Crook.

Resigned: Hannah Graham

**Councillor**: Jane Morgan. Apologies from Cllr Andrew and Wardrop.

Sgt Andrew Freeland; Police Scotland

**Also present:** Lisa Le Grove GCC, David Russell GCC, Diana Fuentes, Jili Eccleston, Alison Gifford, Katy Barber.

1. Minutes of previous meeting: Accepted, Proposed by D. Conway, seconded by M. Read.

## 2. Actions in previous minute:

- I. Louisa Jordan memorial meeting held with heritage officer
- II. Citizen's Panels submission made by P. Crook and C. Alison
- **III.** Bank Account Additional access now active on BoS site. Merle Read to provide personal details to become additional card holder.
- 3. Police Report: Apologies from Sgt Bell for being unable to attend. Sgt Freeland reported that there had been no car crime and no housebreaking in the past month and that antisocial behaviour was low. Police Scotland is engaged in 'Operation Mother' relating to controlling large crowds of young people in Kelvingrove Park following concerns last year of very large numbers engaged in boisterous activities and drinking in a public space. However, in the Botanic Gardens, most of the drinking was being done by adults, but there was no disorder.

## 4. Councillor Report:

This is Cllr Morgan's last meeting before standing down. Douglas Peacock thanked her for her involvement with the CC over many years.

- I. Cllr Morgan said that although there were no Council meetings due to forthcoming elections, councillors are still responding to matters raised by constituents.
- II. Issues have been raised about anomalies in the lining of parking bays. The Garrioch area has been relined. On Kelvinside Terrace South, bays are to be moved to the other side of the street.
- III. No date has been set for activation of RPZ.

Thanks to Cllr Morgan for getting action on the installation of CC noticeboard on QMD. It ought to be installed 'within 6 weeks'.

Ms Eccleston stated that the fencing on the gap site at the Happy Park is inadequate and the space is being used for rubbish dumping and presents a general hazard to park users. Cllr Morgan will write to the relevant officer.

Although outside the area, the matter of the reopening of Ruchill Community Centre was

raised. It was decided that David Conway will write to the department urging it be reopened asap. [ACTION].

## 5. Matters relating to North Kelvinside Primary School:

The school will open for pupils before June 2022, at a date to be decided.

Most of the internal work is completed. There will be commercial kitchens to provide meals for other local schools as well. The War Memorial for the former North Kelvinside Secondary School has been installed within the building. Outside, the pitches have been laid and are being lined. There is a woodland path within the curtilage with wooded play spaces. There is an outdoor basketball court with lighting and security cameras. There will be a shared area with Belhaven nursery school. Staff parking, delivery access and a coach pick-up and drop off will be accessed from QMD.

There will be access to facilities out of school hours. These will be run by Glasgow Life and bookings can be made on the Glasgow Life website. There will be charges, but these are for the maintenance of the pitches and other facilities. David Conway asked if local groups could have preferential rates. This can be raised with Glasgow Life by the CC.

A list of questions raised by CC members had been sent to Ms Le Grove in advance of the meeting so that she could seek responses from the relevant officers.

With regard to the drop off point near the Fire Station, Ms Le Grove said that the Council will be pragmatic regarding issues of turning, parking, walking in the area. It will take some time for potential issues to emerge as there will be only c90 pupils in the first year of operation.

There was concern about Kelvinside Avenue as it has not been marked as the rest of the NK/Woodside RPZ is, although it is on the RPZ map as part of it. There is concern that this will be used as a drop off point rather than the designated area near the Fire Station. The Council Active Travel team will work with parents and the school to encourage parents not to bring children to school and to collect them by car. However, this will have to be persuasive rather than mandatory.

The bus gate on Hotspur St is being ignored. Sgt Freehand indicated that police resourcing does not allow for regular supervision. *NK CC will write to Roads to ask for the installation of CCTV to monitor the area [ACTION]. NK CC will also write to the Police Superintendent to make available sufficient Police resources to monitor traffic around the school and on the approach roads [ACTION].* 

The Council proposes that the default speed limit for all streets will be 20mph, with exceptions specified. This will take place over a three year period. NK CC will write to Roads to ask that 20mph be applied to QMD asap [ACTION]

- 6. Citizen's Panels: NK CC and many other CCs have objected strongly to this policy because it appears to bypass CCs. However, there is to be a pilot Citizen Panel programme in Canal Ward. Since part of the NK CC area covers part of Canal Ward, we have asked to be included in the pilot.
- 7. <u>Planning Advice Scotland (PAS):</u> This is a voluntary organisation based in Edinburgh which has a large number of professional volunteers from a range of relevant

backgrounds who can advise CCs and other groups on issues related to planning in a wide sense. There is a PAS website.

- **8. Community Clean-up:** This will take place on 24, April, 2022, from 10.30am meeting at the Triangle at the junction of Wilton St and Belmont St. This is to coincide with the national Keep Scotland Beautiful Campaign.
- **9. Planning Officer's Report:** Two residents from the former Fire Station in Mingarry St attended regarding long-standing concerns about proposed developments within the curtilage of the estate. They met Cllr Morgan prior to the meeting and agreed actions with her. The CC supports the residents in their campaign.
- **10. HMO:** there was no discussion on this item.
- **11. Communications:** Merle Read will rationalise the materials relation to Covid since much has been overtaken by events.
- <u>12. AoB:</u> The CC expressed its appreciation and thanks to Hannah Graham for her contribution over the past three years. Pressures of work have meant she can no longer devote time to being a member.