

Minutes of Meeting of NKCC – 4 October 2022

<u>Present</u> Douglas Peacock (chair) Alasdair Macdonald (treasurer) Christine Alison (secretary) Merle Read Louise MacKenzie Murray Glen Frank Shennan Stuart Wallace <u>Apologies</u> David Conway Elaine Doherty Rowena Statt Councillor O'Neill	<u>Residents attending</u> Arthur Fairfull Jean Shephard Simon Bockman Andrea Fisher <u>Councillors attending</u> Ken Andrew Martha Wardrop <u>Others attending</u> Police Scotland representatives
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1. Election of minute secretary

Louise MacKenzie confirmed as minute secretary for tonight.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 6 September 2022 were agreed.

Proposer – Alasdair, Seconder - Merle

3. Follow-up on actions from previous meeting

Christine had written to the headteacher of the new North Kelvinside Primary School to arrange a meeting with the school and the Parent Council and possibly a tour. A response was still awaited and Councillor Andrew has followed this up with Education Services

There has been a further meeting with Glasgow City Council, NRS about the implementation of the RPZ, including Kelvinside Terrace. After discussion agreed to invite Andrew Beglin from NRS to the January meeting if there are still outstanding issues with the RPZ.

Alasdair advised that he is attending a meeting later in the week with NRS to discuss access for transport for disabled children attending St Charles Primary School.

4. Police report

Local police officers attended and provided an overview of crime in the area. Generally crime has reduced and is lower than some parts of the ward, Police had also successfully apprehended some individuals responsible for bike theft and the perpetrator of a recent attempted robbery at Tesco on Queen Margaret Drive had been apprehended. The Police also commented on an increase in thefts and carrying of knives in other areas

There continue to be challenges with drug misuse in the area, Community Councillors and residents highlighted that used needles had been found recently in Oban Lane and also near the top of the 60 Steps. Highlighted that Boots on Queen Margaret Drive will take used needles for safe disposal.

Merle asked if further detail could be provided about crime committed in the area. Police Scotland undertook to clarify this.

5. Councillor Reports

Councillor Wardrop

- Continuing to engage with local groups around the impact of Glasgow. Important to ensure that a risk assessment is carried out. The adverse affect on parking for residents was noted, there are possible options to allow residents priority parking which will be explored.
- Noted that cleansing services were still catching up following recent industrial action
- Hillhead Area Partnership has been discussing the Community Infrastructure Fund. This is the £1million which has been allocated to each council ward to address environmental issues as prioritised by residents. Submissions have already been gathered in from community groups across the Hillhead ward and a working group has been reviewing these (see further discussion at Item 6 on this agenda)

Councillor Andrew

- Has recently attended training organised by North East Drug Recovery Unit to train participants to assist drug users who have potentially overdosed.
- Is following up complaints about Glasgow Academy use of areas near the Kelvin. Apparently no permission has been given to the school to use this area and other users are reporting that the school are effectively excluding them from using the area. The Head of the Botanic Gardens has raised it with the school.

Christine asked if parking enforcement across the city could be enhanced. Councillor Wardrop advised that there were a number of vacancies in that service which may be contributing to the lack of visibility.

RPZ – noted that there were now no restrictions on visitor vouchers

6. Community Infrastructure Improvement Fund

Following the last meeting of the Hillhead Area Partnership, there was £780,000 remaining to be allocated across the Hillhead ward. NKCC had previously submitted a list of priorities for the area. Councillor Wardrop had received comment from NRS about that list, for example whether some of the issues identified would be addressed under existing programmes of work.

Agreed that Louise and Christine would review that list again in light of that feedback and the discussion at tonight's meeting and circulate a revised list to the community council members.

7. Planning Officer's report

The Planning Local Review Committee met today to consider the Kelbourne Street application (the 10 flat development). However the meeting had to be continued as not all relevant papers were provided.

8. HMO report

No new HMO applications this month

9. Communications report

The RPZ page on the website continues to be popular.

Information on energy has also been added to the NKCC website:

<https://www.northkelvincc.org.uk/energy/>

Glasgow Trades Union Council had written to the community council seeking support for industrial action in the city. Agreed to invite them to the next available meeting (February 2023)

The monthly newsletter has been sent out.

The meeting finished at 2030