Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Drumchapel Community Council

Date: Monday 10 October 2021

Time: 18:00 – 20:00

Venue: Goodyear Social Club, 307 Duntreath Avenue, GLASGOW, G15 6SA

Attendees

Community Councillors: Andy Lynch (AL), Noel Slevin (NS), May Inglis (MI), Alexis Kerr (AK), Diane Macmillan (DM), Elaine Shaw (ES), Helen Thomson (HT)

Elected Representatives: Cllr Elspeth Kerr (EK), Bailie Malcolm Balfour (MB)

Others: Tracy McKenzie (TM)

Agenda Items

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies were received from Selina Tyrell (ST).

AL acknowledged the current venue isn't ideal, as it is outside the community council boundary, but options are limited given the status of Glasgow Life facilities. Other options have been explored but no appropriate and available venues have been found.

ST has given her apologies and indicated she is considering her position as a member of the community council.

2. Approval of previous minutes

DM proposed the minutes of the September 2021 meeting as correct. This was seconded by ES.

3. Matters Arising

AGM

The AGM was originally scheduled for tonight, but has been postponed until November, for several reasons: the AGM was not advertised correctly by GCC; people needing to action some things contracted COVID; the Secretary didn't have time to chase things up.

Meeting Location

There was a discussion around possible venues to hold community council meetings within the Drumchapel CC boundary. This included local schools and churches. Some had already been explored. The meeting decided it would be best to continue to meet in the current location under the current circumstances.

There was a question whether it was allowed to hold a meeting within licenced premises, but MB confirmed this is not an issue if no alcohol has been purchased.

4. Community Council business

Correspondence

Kinfauns Drive works

The road is now partly open. It was meant to be one way, but traffic was regularly driving through in the wrong direction, so traffic lights have been installed with traffic allowed both ways. The road should be fully reopened by 15 October.

COP26

COP26 will result in road closures across the west of the city. There will be more traffic on Maryhill Road / Great Western Road / through the Clyde Tunnel as the Expressway will be shut for three weeks from 31 October.

Planning and Licencing

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report

There is currently £33.50 in petty cash. TM has agreed to help with the community council accounts.

Area Partnership

Nothing to report.

5. Community Issues

Growchapel

The community council needs to decide what to do with this plot. CCTV cameras are installed and running.

Flooding

Cllr Carey has been doing a lot about this locally. Rainfall is causing more regular issues and it seems the drains are not big enough. Even when they are, they are often blocked, and they don't get cleared enough. MB has asked about getting the burn diverted at Drummore.

The drains belong to the council, but the pipes belong to Scottish Water. It seems no one is tsking enough responsibility. Meanwhile, there are people who can't get insurance for their houses, have sewage washing up to and into their homes, and this has a major impact on these people's lives.

The problem seems to be the pipes can't deal with the amount of water, but no agency is proposing a solution.

COVID Memorial

The Area Partnership awarded £1,500.03 for the COVID memorial. There has been some confusion about this, but the money was awarded for the whole community, not just for one individual. The award was to the community council. MB pointed out £73,000 has also been made available throughout ward 14 for parks and open spaces.

MB suggested the community council visit the park to identify a space for the memorial. AK suggested using Facebook to try to find people who could help with design/materials/labour.

MB mentioned the Glasgow Airport Flight Path Fund has reopened, providing another potential source of funding.

Fireworks Night

Karen Venables is our contact for NRS at GCC. Jedworth Avenue was full of bottles and cans. This was removed. Bollards have been installed at Lawrence Gardens.

6. Any other business

There is a public notice published advertising vacancies on the community council. There was a discussion about whether the community council should explore using the Church on the Hill, but it was felt the venue is a little too isolated. NS said he would enquire to see if the UF Church might be available. Those present were happy to revert to the existing venue if that wasn't possible.

7. Date of next meeting

Monday 8 November, most likely at the Goodyear Social Club. AGM followed by a regular meeting.