

Mount Florida Community Council

Minutes of the (Zoom) Meeting of 26 October 2021
7p.m.

Present: Community Councillors C. Carus, Claire Charlwood, Mark Charlwood, Bernhard Hidding, Janet MacDonald (Minutes), Amber Mohammed, Judith Pollock (Chair), Robert Pollock, Natasha Visser (Secretary), Robbie Warringham (Treasurer)
Also attending: Mandy Burke, Mandy Evans-Ewing, Marine Lannic, Paddy Smith.

1. Welcome and Apologies:

Judith Pollock chaired the Zoom meeting, which is to be regarded as a regular community council meeting, and welcomed those attending. Cllr Aitken sent apologies.

2. Minutes of last meeting:

The amended minutes of the September meeting were approved (proposed R. Pollock, seconded A. Mohammed).

3. Matters Arising:

(i) Item 3(i) At the last meeting we had discussed the possibility of resuming meeting in person in Clincarthill Church hall. The hall is about to undergo repairs, and work may not get underway until November, so there has not been an opportunity to test the equipment. The church was offered, but it was felt that the space is not so conducive to hybrid meetings.

Action ➤ Judith and Robert will try to find an opportunity to test the equipment and will bring word back to the November meeting.

(ii) Item 6: Cllr Richardson had attended the last meeting and had agreed to investigate the arrangements in place for SECC events, issues with recycling, glass and food waste bins, and whether the allocation of funds through the Parks and Open Spaces fund had been approved; we have not heard back. Cllr Aitken was due to attend tonight but had sent apologies.

4. Summary of Correspondence (Natasha Visser):

(i) Various licensing applications had been received.

(ii) Safety information on bonfires had been received from the Fire and Rescue Service; this will be circulated.

5. Treasurer's Report (Judith Pollock):

(i) No money has been spent since last month. A grant of £3800 had been received from the National Lottery/IKEA 'Place Called Home' fund (see further below).

(ii) Mandy Evans-Ewing spoke about the Hampden Lane project. The grant awarded for Hampden Lane East has been spent only on improvement to the eastern spur of Hampden Lane East (approx 50m). So far the grant awarded for Hampden Lane West has been spent only on Hampden Lane West. The western spur of Hampden Lane East has been cleaned up but has not had any infrastructure improvement. It was proposed that the unspent part of the Hampden Lane East grant be added to the funds remaining in the Hampden Lane West grant and used for improvements to the western spur of Hampden Lane East to bring this part to a similar standard to Hampden Lane West. This was agreed.

6. Ward Councillor's Report:

No report.

7. Community Police Report:

No report.

8. Letherby Triangle Project:

(i) The application for stage 4 of the design project has been submitted. A meeting is to be held on 23rd November. Around £50,000 is needed to finalise the design and complete the TRO to move the taxi rank. Judith had given a presentation on the project at a Liveable Neighbourhoods meeting, after which Derek Dunsire (Head of Liveable Neighbourhood team) said that they will support the project. Two further funding applications have been submitted; we hope to get some money from the Landfill Tax operations.

(ii) At an informal meeting with Bernhard, Derek Dunsire had suggested putting in an experimental TRO (relating to the closure of Carmunnock Road in front of the shops) to help speed things up.

Action ➤ Judith will write to Derek Dunsire to ascertain how to put this into effect.

9. Liveable Neighbourhoods Plan:

(i) The Commonplace consultation is online – residents can put forward ideas for what they would like to see in the area, e.g. more street bins, planters, one-way streets etc. The deadline is coming up soon so those interested in commenting are asked to use this link

<https://langsidetotoryglenln.commonplace.is/>

A small in-person event had taken place at Bolton Drive; the consultants had seemed animated by the ideas being put forward. Another event is being held in Toryglen tomorrow (27th). This is the last opportunity to put forward ideas in person. Plans will be drawn up in the next couple of months. Bernhard had spoken to Derek and Alex today; they would be open to speaking to MoFloCoCo but are very busy at present.

Action ➤ Judith will write and welcome them to attend any of our meetings.

(ii) Bernhard has asked for planters and benches for Bolton Drive from the Langside Area Partnership. It is unclear what is happening with traffic changes around the build-out at Bolton Drive, as some signs have been uncovered and some remain covered. Bernhard asked those living in the area to send him photos of the signs and he will pass on to the officers and to local councillors. We still await the road markings due to staff shortages in GCC.

11. Lottery/IKEA grant:

(i) Judith had applied for this grant (for GOMoFlo activities) some time ago. If we get additional money from the Area Partnership we may also invest in planters.

Action ➤ Chris will write to Anita, the Area Partnership contact person, and will copy in Amber and Judith.

Action ➤ Judith will write to the lottery grant body to ask how flexibly the grant may be applied.

12. AOCB:

(i) Amber had been in touch with Colin Macdonald (Hampden) and he agreed to be more proactive on social media, etc. but there has been no change so far. They are not prepared to send anyone to our meeting, but said they would send a written report. This was not received this month.

There will be a match on 15th November with a 7:45 kick-off The Premier Sports Cup semi-finals will take place on 20th-21st November.

(ii) Amber had contacted Denise Hamilton about the lack of consultation with Mount Florida Community Council about the women's football and Euro matches. Denise had said that she would forward the information but we have not received a reply so far. GCC is supposed to include us on key decisions on major events under the terms of the Community Participation Request, but this has not happened. We need to look further at whether we wish to continue to be involved in the participation discussions.

Action ➤ Amber will follow this up and we will revisit it in the new year.

Mark suggested that we write to our MSPs as this is legislation that is not being implemented.

Action ➤ Amber will research the legislation and will write again if discussions continue to draw a blank.

(iii) Bernhard had also flagged the issue to Alex Robb, as Hampden and Langside College should be involved in the Liveable Neighbourhoods scheme.

(iv) A new zoom account will have to be set up for meetings.

Action ➤ Natasha will register MoFlo for a new zoom account.

(v) Terms of Reference for sub-committees renewal:

(a) Letherby – the terms of reference have been distributed and accepted (proposed C. Carus, seconded M. Charlwood). Members of sub-committee: Judith, Amber, Chris, Robert, Gavin (associate)

(b) GOMoFlo – the same terms of reference were readopted (proposed C. Carus, seconded R. Pollock). Members of sub-committee: Natasha, Robbie, Bernhard, Amber, Judith

13. Close.

Next meeting: Tuesday 23rd November 2021 at 7pm, online (Zoom).