Mount Florida Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of 26 April 2022 Clincarthill Church Hall. 7p.m.

Present: Community Councillors Claire Charlwood, Mark Charlwood, Janet MacDonald (Minutes), Cassandra McLuckie, Amber Mohammed, Judith Pollock (Chair), Paddy Smith. Also attending: Mary Alexander, Laura Caird, Eddie Waldron. P.C. Ahmad.

1. Welcome

Judith Pollock chaired the meeting and welcomed those attending.

2. Attendance and Apologies:

Attendance as above; apologies were received from Chris Carus, Bernhard Hidding, Robert Pollock, Natasha Visser (Secretary) and Robbie Warringham (Treasurer).

3. Minutes of last meeting:

The minutes of the March meeting were approved (proposed C. Charlwood, seconded A. Mohammed).

4. Matters Arising:

(i) Cllr Aitken had not responded to Judith's email after the February meeting She has since responded, to say that some of the things we asked about could be done, and some could not.

5. Treasurer's Report:

(i) An advance payment for the Letherby Triangle project had been received from SusTrans. A grant had also been received for Winter Wanderland.

(ii) The grants for Stanmore Lane have been fully spent. About £600 of Living Streets money remains, and will be transferred into general funds.

(iii) Last month, the Miscellaneous section had included the newsletter, but this is funded by the Living Streets money.

(iv) The deposit has been paid to the artist for the mural on Clincart Road.

(v) The balance (un-ringfenced) stands at £1800l £5900 was allocated to planters.

6. Summary of Correspondence:

(i) Several Hampden-related items had been received.

(ii) Objection to planning application for another drive-through at Asda: Judith had objected on our behalf; there have now been 9 objections.

(iii) Queens Park Working Group and Queens Park arena are looking for a rep from MFCC.

Cassandra will represent us on the group.

Action≻ Judith will put Cassandra in touch with Bob Marshall.

(iv) Several licensing applications had been received.

(v) Primal Scream will be playing at the rec's 1-2 July.

(vi) Gerry Cinnamon will be playing at Hampden 16-17 July.

(We can object to applications for events - other than football - but would only do so if it was felt likely to have a significant adverse impact.)

7. Ward Councillor's Report:

No report. Three of our current four councillors are not standing for re-election in May.

8. Community Police Report:

PC Ahmad reported. There had been a relatively high volume of calls about the recent Hampden events, mainly the usual problems. An Action Plan has been set up to deal with antisocial behaviour. 1000 police attended the Sunday match; there was no serious disorder but still some antisocial issues. Tesco had to close due to the high number of people drinking on the street. The lane off Florida Avenue was identified as a hot spot. This had not been brought to the attention of the community council before. A resident also identified the whole length of the garages on Clincart Road being used as a public toilet.

Most problems seem to be taking place before matches; the police are clearing people away from the area quickly after matches. We will ask for a plain clothes officer with a bodycam to patrol the area to show the extent of the problem before and after matches.

9. Hampden (Amber Mohammed)

(i) An updated events list has been provided.

1 June - 7:45 Scotland v. Ukraine

8 June - 7:45 Scotland v. Armenia

Portaloos will be placed at the entrance to the station. Hampden are funding these portaloos pending permission from GCC.

(ii) Sectarian graffiti on Somerville Drive has been painted out.

(iii) Tree cutting: Amber will take this up with Colin MacDonald, as mature trees were removed.

10. AOCB:

(i) Bowling Club: The developer had attended the last meeting. The response to the consultation has gone on their website. They are proposing to put in an amended planning application for houses on Carmunnock Road. Judith has written to the planning dept and Planning Aid Scotland, but it appears that the clubhouse area is regarded as green space. Mount Florida Community Trust is holding a meeting in the church next Tuesday.

(ii) Paddy had suggested organising an event for the Clincart corner, and had enquired about street closure. The suggestion was made of the church gardens as an alternative venue. The proposal would be to have music, food, children's games etc.

Action>Judith will forward Mandy's email to Paddy, as she has experience of organising street events.

(iii) We had received word that the signage on Clincart Road/Bolton Drive was completed; lines have been painted but there is no one-way street sign.

(iv) The artist will work with the schoolchildren to create mosaic art for the bollards.

(v) Ideas for other projects (Bernhard): seating and garden at the red brick wall on Clincart Drive. Action \geq Judith to find out how funding will be allocated for the local ward.

(vi) Road markings - notices had been put on lamp posts indicating that parking was prohibited in certain areas to allow road markings to be applied, but this did not go ahead.

Action≻ Judith will ask Bernhard to follow this up.

(vii) There was a complaint of noise from the Clockwork Beer Garden during events at Hampden.

13. Close.

Next meeting: Tuesday 24th May 2022 at 7pm, Clincarthill Church Hall