

Mount Florida Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of 27 June 2023 Clinicarhill Church Hall. 7p.m.

Present: Community Councillors Judith Pollock (Chair), Chris Carus, Janet MacDonald (Minutes), Amber Mohammed, Paddy Smith, Natasha Visser (Secretary).

Also attending: Cllr Paul Leinster, Cathie Laycock, Shane Goodbody, Stephen Kenny, Mandy Burke, Grainne Hayes, Rachael Gillespie, Pamela Little, Linda Wilson, Nicola Smith, Ginny Allwood.

1. Welcome

Judith Pollock chaired the meeting and welcomed those attending.

2. Attendance and Apologies:

Attendance as above; apologies were received from Cassandra McLuckie, Robert Pollock, and Robbie Warringham (Treasurer).

3. Minutes of last meeting:

Approval of the minutes of the May 2023 meeting were approved (proposed Paddy Smith, seconded Natasha Visser).

4. Matters Arising:

- (i) Cllr Aitken didn't attend but had sent a report. Gulley cleaning had been mentioned, Judith got back to Cllr Aitken about this.
- (ii) There has been no sign of the deep clean promised, and Judith has raised this with Christine.
- (iii) An objection to the Clockwork's proposed 3m wall had been submitted.

5. Summary of Correspondence:

There had been no correspondence.

6. Treasurer's Report (submitted in advance):

Money for the general allowance had been placed under ring-fenced funds – this should be moved to the general figure along with the hall rental.

7. Ward Councillors' Report (Paul Leinster):

- (i) Langside Liveable Neighbourhoods had its initial application for funds refused, but this will be resubmitted with new proposals. Connecting Battlefield programme has received funding for phase 1, which includes footway improvements, cycle lanes etc up to the hospital from Victoria Road. A TRO is required, but we as a community council have not been consulted, and part of the scheme will be in Mount Florida. Cllr Leinster will check about this.
- (ii) South Seeds have taken over the old changing rooms at the recs and will turn this into a community garden.
- (iii) There had been a considerable mess left after recent events at the recs; the organisers eventually paid for the clean-up, but any future applications will have this taken into consideration. Cllr Leinster agreed to ensure that the repairs were made – NRS has not completed agreed repairs after events at Bellahouston Park and Glasgow Green

- (iv) The charge for parking tickets has been doubled, which it is hoped will deter some from inappropriate parking at events.
- (v) Gulley cleaning has been taking place in Langside. There have been issues with drains, which need deeper cleaning.
- (vi) Lots of comments had been received about the planning application submitted for Cathkin Park. Cllr Leinster explained that he cannot comment as he is on the planning committee, but is willing to take concerns on board. Our objection points out that the Jimmy Johnstone Trust is not adhering to the terms of their lease. It was also pointed out that we had not received notice of the planning application. See further below (note 10).
- (vii) MF Bowling Club – Following the drainage survey, new designs are awaited to deal with surface water drainage. This has held up progress on the application process.
- (viii) The LEZ has been implemented in the city centre.
- (ix) The UCI cycle championships will take place in August. Local groups have received funding.
- (x) Cllr Leinster was made aware that horse manure had not all been cleared up following the recent match at Hampden, and was still lying on the pavement at Clincart Road/Bolton Drive. Nicola offered to uplift it for the community garden.
- (xi) A Fanzone licence was granted for Hampden, and this took place in the car park, which was supposed to be for the benefit of the community, but we were not notified about the application. Cllr Leinster was asked whether any income generated for this might be channelled back to the community, for example for toilets for future Hampden events, and he will look into this further.

8. Community Police Report:

Officers did not attend as they had been called to an incident elsewhere.

9. Hampden update (Amber Mohammed):

- (i) A meeting had been held with Hampden, Police Scotland and others, but Amber was unable to attend. Hampden will be putting out a community newsletter.
- (ii) Toilets – there has been no movement on this. The Action Plan required as part of the Participation Request is still not happening.
- (iii) Parking is also an ongoing issue during matches (but see above at 7iv).
- (iv) Judith attended the Licensing Committee to object to the application for the Red Hot Chilli Peppers concert. This was granted, subject to conditions agreed by the multi-agency group. We would like to sit on this as our concerns are not currently being addressed. Cllr Leinster will look into this.

10. Cathkin Park Fence Application):

We had submitted an objection to the development. The Placemaking principle is not being adhered to, accessibility and movement across the site will be affected. In addition, no environmental impact survey appears to have been carried out, and there are contradictions in the application itself. At least 161 objections have been received. The Friends of Cathkin Park will take a lead on this, with our support. It was suggested that Area partnership funding could be applied for to employ a sessional worker to carry out some work on this.

11. AOCB

- (i) Cathcart and District Community Council had shared a survey with us about cuts to Scotrail services on the Cathcart Circle. We shared the survey through our networks. Scotrail say that the

service operates at lower capacity than others, and that there is a shortage of drivers, but hope to have more services in place by the end of the year.

(ii) We will rearrange the tables and chairs for our next meeting to allow easier participation as the acoustics make it difficult to hear for those seated further back.

(iv) We are currently three members short, and aim to recruit for August.

(v) Battlefield and Langside Community Council are putting out surveys on hogweed, Hampden parking, recycling and food waste. We have been invited to take part, and it was felt that we could usefully be involved in the recycling and food waster surveys; we have collected lots of feedback on Hampden parking already. Rachael is involved with Olio, and they are looking for new distribution points.

(v) It was reported that some bin collections have been missed. Residents are asked to report this via the app.

14. Close. Next meeting: Tuesday 22 August 2023 at 7pm, Clincarthill Church Hall