

Mount Florida Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of 25 June 2024
Clincarthill Church Hall, 7p.m.

Present: Community Councillors Judith Pollock (Chair), Graeme Boyle, Robert Pollock, Janet MacDonald (Minutes), Cassandra McLuckie, Paddy Smith, Robbie Warringham (Treasurer).
Also attending: Cllr Holly Bruce, A. Gillespie, Gordon Brady, PC Burmi

1. Welcome

Judith Pollock chaired the meeting and welcomed those attending.

2. Attendance and Apologies:

Attendance as above. Natasha Visser (Secretary) and Chris Carus sent apologies.

3. Minutes of last meeting:

The minutes of the April meeting, held over from last month, were approved (proposed RW, seconded JM) and the minutes of the May meeting were also approved (proposed CM, seconded JP).

4. Matters Arising:

(i) Community Council election: We need 12 community councillors but currently only have 9. Judith has emailed council officers to start the recruitment process.

5. Summary of Correspondence (Natasha):

(i) Several complaints about parking at recent football matches and events were received. Though 14 wardens were on duty, none were observed south of the stadium at the Foo Fighters concert, but it was reported that some cars were ticketed on the day. The Pink concert will take place this coming weekend; 81 police will attend but trouble is not expected.

(ii) A request to community groups to fill out a survey was received from Scotland's International Development Alliance. It was suggested that Chris might wish to fill this out for Loco Home Retrofit.

6. Treasurer's Report:

(i) The £500 for Hangingshaws (unspent) was sent back to GCC.

(ii) Last weekend's street party was a great success. After expenses for the party, we are left with around £1500 in un-ringfenced funds.

7. Ward Councillors' Report (Cllr Holly Bruce):

(i) Cllr Bruce has been working with Hampden and the police on the protest that took place during the women's qualifier match. There was a good police response.

(ii) Area Partnership and NIF: Cllr Bruce asked what we would like to see as an outcome.

(iii) A paper was submitted on 20m.p.h. streets. A city-wide exercise is taking place. Some streets will have their current 30m.p.h. limit reduced to 20m.p.h., but it appears that part of Battlefield Road will remain at 30, with the rest at 20. Residents pointed out that Carmunnock Road is supposed to have a 20m.p.h. limit but it is not being enforced, and is regularly broken. Cllr Bruce said that as this is UK legislation and not the sole responsibility of the city council, enforcement is difficult. Residents are asked to let Cllr Bruce know of any areas where speed calming is felt to be necessary.

(iv) Cathkin Park: Holly has been supporting residents. She attended a meeting of the Friends of Cathkin Park and the council. The ongoing legal challenge limits what can be done at the moment.

(v) Bowling Club: The revised application has not yet gone to the planning committee. The Trust is currently waiting for Scottish Water to do an assessment. The application is likely to be heard in August.

(vi) Letherby: we have been assured that funding will be committed by GCC. Holly is meeting with Angus Miller, convener for transport, tomorrow and will raise the issue again. GCC is awaiting money from the Scottish government.

(vii) Cathcart Circle: the rail service is now back to twice hourly in the evenings. A resident asked about Sunday train services, which do not start early enough for those who work on Sundays.

(viii) On Thursday, a motion is being put forward for a visitor levy for the city: this would be a percentage of the visitors' hotel stay. Cllr Bruce wishes to put in some exceptions to this, for

those who have to be in the city for purposes such as health care etc., but is also keen that any monies generated be put towards public services such as transport, street cleaning etc. If the motion is passed, it will take around 18 months to be implemented.

(ix) Signage for one-way street (Bolton Drive): Drivers are still going the wrong way. Signage has not been fixed. PC Burmi said he will look into this.

(x) Community Council election: Holly will put word out. Our next community council meeting will take place on 27th August and notice of any potential candidates must be submitted before then.

(xi) Holly asked that residents are reminded of her surgeries, held in Mount Florida Primary on the third Tuesday of every month: next surgery in August.

(xii) Tartan Coo extension to licensing: there is noise nuisance at present which will likely only get worse if this goes ahead. MFCC has submitted an objection. Residents are reminded that noise and public nuisance issues can be reported via the GCC app.

(xiii) Neighbourhood Infrastructure Fund (NIF): Judith has submitted our Liveable Neighbourhoods project.

8. Community Police Report:

PC Burmi reported.

(i) Letherby Triangle: speeding can be targeted if necessary.

(ii) Parking: two vehicles were recently removed from loading bays at Tesco. Lots of businesses have been emailing the police about parking on Cathcart Road. PC Burmi will arrange for another day of targeting parking on Cathcart Road and Bolton Drive.

(iii) Graffiti on mural at Sunshine No. 1: the tag has been identified and the information will be sent to the police.

9. Hampden:

(i) It looks likely that Ibrox stadium will not be ready to open for the season, and there has been talk of matches taking place at Hampden. Holly will speak to the Head of Operations at Hampden.

(ii) A pre-season friendly match between Queens Park and Celtic will take place on 10th July. This will be corporate tickets only, but some fans are likely to turn up to the area.

10. Local Place Plan:

(i) This is now in action. An online survey can be found on our Facebook and Twitter pages, and shops have posters with a link. A workshop of interested groups including South Seeds, MFC Trust etc took place last Tuesday.

(ii) Another street party will be held in September with a further opportunity to contribute views to the plan.

11. Area Partnership:

(i) We do not currently have a rep on the partnership group. This will be held over until after the CC election.

12. AOCB

(i) Street party: street closure dates are 27-29 September. We will check if any football fixtures are planned and try to avoid those dates.

13. Meeting closed. Next meeting Tuesday 27 August 2024 at 7pm, Clincarthill Church Hall