

Mount Florida Community Council

Minutes of the Meeting of 24 June 2025
Clincarthill Church Hall, 7p.m.

Present: Community Councillors Monique Adami, Gordon Brady (Secretary), Janet MacDonald (Minutes), Judith Pollock (Chair and Robbie Warringham (Treasurer)

Also attending: Tom Flau, Tracy Jolliffe, Allan Munro, Nicola Smith, Luke Stronach, PC Burmi, PC Taylor, Cllr Holly Bruce.

1. Welcome

Judith Pollock chaired the meeting and welcomed those attending.

2. Attendance and Apologies:

Attendance as above. Apologies were received from Chris Carus, Robert Pollock and Paddy Smith.

3. Minutes of last meeting:

The minutes of the May meeting were approved (prop. R Warrington, sec. M Adami)

4. Matters Arising:

- (i) Glasgow 850: The photograph with the schoolchildren did not go ahead, as there was insufficient time to arrange things with the school. Other photographs of the area will be taken instead.
- (ii) COP church: The scaffolding is still up, and there has been no word from the contractor.
- (iii) The school fair went well, with good weather on the day. There were lots of activities taking place.
- (iv) The Local Place Plan has now been validated.
- (v) There has been no update on the tender for the Triangle.
- (vi) A form had been circulated to Community Councillors who may wish to sign up for the event at the City Chambers in September.

5. Summary of Correspondence:

- (i) Community Engagement training is available to Community Councillors.
- (ii) We had received an email about insurance for activities held outwith regular Community Council meetings. We pay for some additional cover – **ACTION>** Gordon to check what we are covered for.
- (iii) InHouse – QP Arena events: block bookings are available for community groups.
- (iv) Lassani Tandoori has applied for a renewal of their late licence.

6. Treasurer's Report (R. Warringham):

- (i) The recent purchase of the metal bench came from the general fund. The trees were funded through the Parks and Open Spaces grant.
- (ii) Unspent money from the Area Partnership grant has been returned.
- (iii) At the end of the month we have around £1900 available.

7. Ward Councillor's Report (Holly Bruce):

- (i) The planning application for building on the site of Mount Florida Bowling Club has come before the planning committee. A site visit and hearing is planned; this probably will not go ahead until August, after the GCC recess, as planning officers will need to attend. The Hug the Club event had gone well. Lots of correspondence in support for the Community Trust plan is coming through to Cllr Bruce.
- (ii) Better policing of protests in town is planned.
- (iii) There is an aim to extend childcare facilities across the city; GCC have not yet committed to this.
- (iv) A campaign is underway to get Cathkin Park designated as a historic site. The fence erected should allow local people to enter the park.
- (v) From January 2027 there will be a tourist tax of 5% levied in city centre hotels, to be used for operational issues.
- (vi) Some emails had been received about the plan to remove librarians from Glasgow schools. Cllr Bruce will find out more about this.
- (vii) Glasgow City Council will break for recess on Friday 27th June.

(viii) Cllr Bruce holds a ward surgery from 5-6 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, except July and December. The next surgery will take place on 19th August.

8. Community Police Report:

PC Burmi reported.

(i) Crimes reported over the last four weeks mainly included vehicle disorder and drug swipes, and some quad bikes were seized.

(ii) A plan is being drafted regarding youth disorder, mainly for park patrols during school holidays, but officers on foot can attend any problem spots. Reports have been received of youths smoking cannabis in closes and in the bowling green. Residents are asked to report problem areas.

9. Hampden:

(i) The newsletter has been reinstated.

(ii) Parking restrictions have changed in some areas, e.g. road closure times have been extended on Bolton Drive. There has also been a barrier in place closing off Clincart Road. This will cause problems for local residents who need to park close to home. Cllr Bruce and PC Burmi will check on the legality of this. If an officer is on duty at the time, they may be able to use their discretion in allowing residents in and out. Judith asked to be copied into Cllr Bruce and PC Burmi's responses.

10. AOCB

(i) Letherby: Judith had met with the Sustainable Transport team officers. The drawings are still not online. It was felt that there was no need for three bus bays on the plan, as it is a clearway.

(ii) Three buses had been parked near the school at the last Hampden event. When asked to move by a police officer, they had refused. Parking is a council issue, and traffic offences a police issue. If vehicles are not causing an obstruction, they may not have to move.

(iii) Natasha is resigning from the Community Council due to parental duties; we may therefore hold a bye-election in September. We need to recruit some new Community Councillors.

(iv) There has been no movement on the business association. A speaker is still needed for the first meeting. Cllr Bruce suggested Harry who manages the Park Lane market. Judith will try to speak to him.

11. Close. Next meeting Tuesday 26th August 2025 at 7pm, Clincarthill Church Hall