



**Minutes Crosshill/Govanhill Community Council Meeting
Monday 10 April 2017**

Present: J Beaver C McCormick M Nisbet
 D Tausney G Mc Manus E Pollok
 M Wright A M Millar A Carberry
 R Sadiq I MacInnes

Sgt Eadie (Police Scotland) GCC

Apologies: K Hawley, J Adair, Cllr Siddique

Public

As per the Sign in sheet for 10 April 2017 held by Govanhill Housing Association

Chairperson

The chair opened the meeting advising that the Hustings meeting will take place on **Tuesday 18 April in Holyrood Secondary School at 7pm** and we have access from 6pm - 10pm. There will be 400 seats set out and Greens, Labour, SNP have confirmed, UKIP, Conservatives, Liberal Democrats are aware of it and the Independent Candidate the Chairperson will contact them via Twitter account.

Previous Minutes from 13 March 2017

Proposed by D Tausney and **Seconded by** A Carberry

Matters Arising + Action Points

Promotional Material for Community Council

The chairperson advised that they have been busy with work and that they will have costs by the May meeting. **Action: Costs to be investigated by the May meeting**

GCDT - Shop Front

The response from GCDT was discussed and it was agreed that this wasn't what the Community Council had spoke about as a shop front and thinking back on it we were requesting a shop front for the 'Hub' and not the GCDT and one that was disabled friendly accessible to all in the community and also for it to be confidential so that if a resident was there giving issues of concern they would not be heard by others in the shop.

The Hub shop front that we had requested would be advertised in the local community to all residents regardless of who they rented from or were factored by as many in the community are unaware of the existence of the GCDT shop front and the lack of external signage advising what it is they deliver. It was felt that this shop front of the GCDT seemed to promote volunteering rather than what was advised in their letter of response after this had been raised by a member of the community council as their experience when they visited it. **Action: To be on the Agenda for May to take forward with the Leader of Glasgow City Council**

Unite Community Re: Get Glasgow Moving

No response to our email sent to them and the email address given was wrong but managed to located correct address

Treasurer

Letter still to be sent to Treasurer as Vice Chairperson has to give secretary their home address. **Action: Vice Chairperson**

Letter to Housing Minister

We have received a holding email

Matters Arising + Action Points Continued

No contact from Roma Society Scotland re: setting up a meeting with the community in relation to a local resident coming on to the community council as a Community Councillor.

Hustings

As above in Chairperson Report

LES Re: Issues at Holyrood School at crossings

Apologies given they had double booked but will attend May meeting.

Police Scotland Monthly Report

4 local priorities

Drug Dealing & Use 14 Reported to the Procurator Fiscal for possession, none for the supply/cultivation

Violent Crime 10 Common Assaults, 4 Detected remaining on-going

Youth Disorder /annoyance 17 Reports - no detections. The reason for this youths fled when police arrived.

Litter/Fly-tipping NO reports to Police Scotland

Sgt Eadie advised that a few more officers have been trained up in Crime Prevention and are providing free advice/survey for residents and premises in the local area.

There is issues with house breaking which is being given high priority. There is a gang of around ten active and they chap on doors if no answer they then break storm doors and are in and out of house within minutes, they are looking for mobile phones, laptops, money and Jewellery, Police Scotland asks that everyone is vigilant and report if you suspect a break in is happening.

Police Scotland Monthly Report Continued

It was also advised that if you are a ground floor property to be careful when opening windows particularly in kitchens as the group are accessing properties through them.

Police Scotland are offering Prevention, Enforcement and Intelligence and are working with partner agencies to address this matter and that Sgt Smith is leading on this.

Sgt Eadie advised the Community Council about Smart Water to mark property and that it can be purchased on the internet, they did have some to issue free but supplies are no longer available but for it to be effective you have to register it.

Police Scotland are also offering Bike Marking free of charge at the GCDT Shop front on Allison street.

CCTV was raised and Police Scotland advised they have used some footage and there has been some displacement to Crosshill and Pollokshields.

Issues of Anti Social Behaviour were raised with Police Scotland at the open space in Westmoreland Street (Old Clada Club Site) Police have attended but youths run off as soon as they see them. It was suggested that a mobile unit could be sited outside this open space as it might deter young people from gathering and give respite to residents.

Police Scotland Action from last month's meeting

Re: issue with school children running across Aikenhead road. Police Scotland have discussed with Ms Layden at Holyrood who has been making daily announcements to the pupils. They have also been in contact with Charlie Nicholson LES who are going to carry out a survey at Lunch times and 3pm. In relation to the suggestion of barriers LES advised it isn't suitable for barriers due to the fire paths.

Sgt Eadie advised that he is retiring after 13 years approximately working in Govanhill and he thanked the Community Council for the support they have given him over the years. The Community Council wished him well in his retirement.

Secretary Report

Mail In

Letter from MP Thewlis re: Anniversary of the death of MP Jo Cox who was murdered and the Jo Cox Foundation are asking that communities come together to share food etc. After a discussion it was **agreed** that we did not have the time nor volunteers to arrange something.

Invoices to be paid

Govanhill Housing Association Hall Hire	£ 80.00
Larkfield centre Photocopying	£ 15.12
Active Life Club	£150.00
Chairperson Hire of Hall for Hustings	£ 49.75

Email from V/Chairperson re: Issues of resident - more information required before we can action it.

Email from V/Chairperson re: Investment request from Govanhill Community Baths Trust. After a discussion it was **agreed** that we could not use Community Council Funding but individually the community councillors could.

Parliamentary Group

4 members of Community Council G Mc Manus, J Beaver, C McCormick and M Nisbet, **agreed** arrangements to be discussed by those members via email, it was further **agreed** that the group was to be set up so that the List MSPs could work with the Community Council on the issues that the community had been raising with them and keep them highlighted at the Parliament as the Community Council are the legal structure to engage with the community and help direct the work being carried out in the local area to make a difference and that those attending were to raise this and that meetings should be held in the local area. **Action: Agreed Community Council to meet travel costs.**

Treasurer Report

There are outstanding bills to be paid as noted above in Mail In **Action: Chairperson to speak to treasurer.**

Community Councillor Raised issue of Funding/Duplication of work

The issue was raised that there seems to be funding being distributed for duplication of works that are being carried out by grassroots' organisations to larger organisations and that as a community council we should be consulted on this as we do not want to lose grassroots' organisations as they are in daily contact with what is going on in the community. After a discussion it was **agreed** that we should wait until after the local Government Elections and raise this with the leader of GCC and Scottish Government. **Action: to be discussed after local elections**

Facebook Page

The chairperson advised that he is unable to manage the page and during the discussion it was suggested that if no one wants to step forward then maybe we should look to close the page down. It was then **agreed** that we should discuss this at the May Meeting as someone might come forward once they have had time to think about it. **Action: Agenda Item for May meeting**

Development Day

The community Council felt that as a Community Council we were being undermined in the local area by large organisations as statutory organisations were engaging with them rather than the community council and we find that people working in the area were getting a bigger say on issues in the local area and after a discussion it was **agreed** that we should hold a development day. **Action: Secretary to contact the CCRC to see if we can use funding for this or if there was any funding available to do this.**

Planning

There was several planning applications two for backcourt improvements Allison street/Westmoreland street. Erection of detached single story function room in curtilage of Hotel. 346 Langside road two applications to re-roof of flat roof property associated repairs and infill of existing pond. After a discussion it was **agreed** no objection to these applications. But it was raised that a Sub-

Planning Continued

way outlet was to open near Holyrood Secondary a after a discussion about the amount of fast food outlets that are to be opened near Holyrood school after a discussion it was **agreed** that we should invite someone along form planning to discuss our concerns. **Action: Planning to be invited to a meeting**

HMO License

We received an application for an existing HMO at 56 Queens Drive and after a discussion t was **agreed** that we would not object to this application

AOCB

The secretary raised that Govanhill was to become a Thriving Place and that she was advised this by a resident from the Gorbals, it was felt that as the community council we should have been advised of this.

**Date of Next Meeting 8 May 2017 at 7pm
Samaritan House, Coplaw Street**