



**Minutes Crosshill/Govanhill Community Council Meeting
Monday 13 March 2017**

Present: J Beaver K Hawley C McCormick M Nisbet
 D Tausney G Mc Manus E Pollok
 M Wright A M Millar A Cardberry

Sgt Eadie (Police Scotland) GCC Cllrs Siddique

Apologies:R Sadiq

Public

As per the Sign in sheet for 13 March 2017 held by Govanhill Housing Association

Chairperson

The chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and spoke about the forthcoming Council Elections and will we as a community council hold a hustings inviting all the candidates after a discussion it was **agreed** that we hold a Husting on **Tuesday 25 April 2017** and if this date clashes with another local hustings we revert to the 18 April 2017.

Action: Chairperson to book Venue

Police Scotland Monthly Report

4 local priorities

Drug Dealing & Use 19 Reports possession - 1 Reported to PF for production of illegal substance.

Police Scotland Monthly Report Continued

Violent Crime	9 assaults reported with 2 detections and others are on-going
Youth Disorder /annoyance	26
Road Traffic/ driving Offences	16 reported to PF for various offences advised the penalty for use of mobile phone whilst driving increased last week happy to report a decrease in the use of mobile phones whilst driving.
Litter/Fly-tipping	0

Sgt Eadie advise that the local Problem Solving Team had gone on training and now able to deliver sessions for Child Safety online & No Knives Saves Life's, happy to deliver to schools, groups of parents, organisations. Contact Gorbals Police Office.

Question by a Community Councillor regarding children crossing Aikenhead road at lunch time and at the end of the school day they don't look were they are going and run across the road. After a discussion Sgt Eadie **agreed** to pass this issue to the Problem Solving Unit who will speak to M Layden at Holyrood School and they will monitor the situation and update at next meeting. It was also **agreed** that we should invite someone from the roads department to discuss this issue also.

Action: Sgt Eadie to raise with Problem Solving Unit and Secretary to write to roads department.

Previous Minutes from 13 February Meeting

Proposed by G Mc Manus and **Seconded by** D Tausney

Action from previous meeting

- ! **School enrolment campaign awareness.** Update - Cllr Siddique advised there will be a paper brought to the Govanhill Regeneration Group and this will be shared with the community council in due course. **On-going**
- ! **ALC Event 11 March** - busy event and it showed that we need to obtain more promotional materials such as a pop up display advertising unit, banner, pens and bugs **Action: Chairperson to get costs.**
- ! **GCDT Shop** - secretary sent email but didn't receive any reply and has now emailed K Mc Dougall at the GHA and he has passed to D Zabiega to respond. **On-going**
- ! **Newsletter and Community Engagement Cards** - Printed and were used at the ALC Event and given to Community Councillors to distribute. **Completed**
- ! **Cross Party Forum at Scottish Parliament** - Update - 2 emails sent since last meeting re: Inclusion of local MSP in group plus what the secretariat of the group would entail. **On-going**
- ! **Notes of Meeting with the Leader of GCC** - sent to Council Leader. **Completed**
- ! **Democratic Services** - Name of representative sent to them to represent us at Govanhill Regeneration Group. **Completed**
- ! **Secretary to write to GCC Leader, MSP, List MSP's Councillors re: Protection of services in Govanhill when making budget decisions. Services have been completed see Cllrs Report. Completed**

Matters Arising - none

Secretary Report

List of Mail In and Mail Out was distributed pre meeting to community councillors and there were a few actions arising from them:

- ! **Licensing Renewal of Street Traders License** plus a grant of a street traders license. after a discussion it was **agreed** that no action be taken.
- ! **Letter from UNITE Community re: support for Get Glasgow Moving Campaign.** After a discussion it was **agreed** that

Secretary Report Continued

List of Mail In and Mail Out Continued

secretary to write to them asking for more information on what it is they want us to endorse. **Action: Secretary**

- ! **SUSCOM (Cycle path Victoria Rd) after** a discussion it was **agreed** that the secretary holds back on contacting them until the two community councillors have attended the focus group on 20 March and reported back. Then if things are not any clearer we invite both them and GCC to a meeting.

Treasurer Report

No report given as Treasurer was not present. It was noted that there are two outstanding bills to be paid (i) **£150.00** to Active Life Club for table at community event (ii) **£6.72** Larkfield Centre for printing after a discussion it was **agreed** that the secretary writes to Treasurer and advise that if they can't attend a meeting they should send a report to one of the other office bearers and ask them to write cheques as above.

Councillor/s Report

Councillor Sidiqque advised that we had asked GCC to protect services in the local area and she confirmed that they have been protected with an additional £6m for 142 additional cleansing operatives across the city which Govanhill will see some additional workers from this. £5m to replace the out-dated galvanised bins again Govanhill will see some of these in the local area. Integrated Grant Funds no cuts to them this means that a lot of community facilities will continue to operate in local areas.

Advised a paper has been **agreed** at the Executive meeting of GCC and this will mean an additional £45m investment in the local area to improve housing, this will be over a 2/3 year period. The enhanced enforcement area is to be extended to include the following Victoria Road - Cathcart Road and Dixon Avenue to Cathcart Road and looking at an acquisition programme of 350 properties. Question by a Community Councillor - Will there be Compulsory Purchase Orders included and will GCC set out a

Councillors Report Continued

Councillor Siddique

criteria for CPOs. The community council were advised that they will be included and will happen if needed and the criteria will be the standard already set. There are also 350 new properties to be built in the Govanhill area and she advised of a new concept of a Housing Association becoming a letting agent as a pilot and that under the current acquisition programme 60% of them were not home owners.

She also spoke highly of the Active Life Club event and how well attended it was.

After a discussion about the councillor's report it was **agreed** that the secretary should write to the Housing Minister, GCC DRS Duncan Thompson and A Lear Director of Govanhill Housing Association to a special meeting of the community council to discuss this in full.

Planning

Planning officer advised that there was nothing new to report.

Govanhill Community Baths Trust

The above didn't attend the meeting and the time that we had set aside to hear from them regarding the 'Govanhill Festival' was allocated to issues as they arose throughout the meeting.

AOCB

Chairperson raised that the Roma Society Scotland had asked about a member of the local Roma community becoming a member on the Community Council had been advised that if someone wished to become a community councillor they would need to be on the electoral register and after a discussion it was **agreed** that a special meeting to be called to enable the Community Council to speak to the Roma Community even if this means going along and meeting with them at their church.

Display Material for Community Council

Those who attended the Active Life Club Event realised the Community Council needs promotional materials such as pop up display, banner, pens & bugs to give away. after a discussion it was **agreed** that we should do this and that the chairperson to obtain costs from greenprint who printed out cards and newsletter. **Action: Chairperson Public at Meetings**

It was raised that more time should be given to the public to speak at meetings and that a slot should be set aside for this after a discussion it was suggested that 8pm - 8.15pm should be for public to speak. It was **agreed** that this is to be trialled at the April meeting but it was advised that we must still be able to get through community council business within the 2 hour let.

Art School Student

We had a student attend the meeting and was looking to work with a group of local people to assist with mapping of the area with a view to creating a possible product design for community to use. Details of organisations that could assist were given to the student.

Executive Paper re: Govanhill

In relation to the executive paper that was agreed at the executive meeting of GCC last week that the councillor mentioned in her report a member of the public advised how to access the link to see the 40 page report.

**Date of Next Meeting 10 April 2017 at 7pm
Samaritan House, Coplaw Street**