



**Crosshill & Govanhill Community Council**

**Date:- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**Address:- Samaritan House, 151 Coplaw Street G42 7JG at 7.00pm**

**Attendees:-** Anne Marie Millar, Damian Tausney, Jennifer MacDonald, Cheryl McCormick (Chair), Andy Carberry, Marion Nisbet, Grant McManus, Alexander Belic, H MacMillian (GCC) Janice McCulloch (GCC) Joe Moffat (GCC)

**Apologies:-** Keith Hawley

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Matters Arising/Action Points**

Cheryl took everyone through the previous action points outstanding

**Cross Party Group – Agreed that Cheryl would write a letter asking what the benefit is for CGCC**

**Treasurer Report**

Damian advised that there is £898.59 in bank.

**Planning & Licencing**

Nothing to report

**Secretary Report & Mail In/Out**

Several items received in the mailbox this month which Jennifer forwarded to all members.

**Councillors Reports**

**Mhairi Hunter**

Councillor Hunter was not able to attend the meeting so no update

**Soryia Siddique**

Councillor Siddique was not able to attend the meeting so no update

**Alexander Belic**

Councillor Belic advised that Bulk removal is currently not been charged in the Enhanced Enforcement Area and that people are using this as a dumping group from outwith the area.

Since the change in Scottish Gas top ups there is currently no payzone in Govanhill for people to be able to top up their gas meter which he is working on resolving.

## Cleansing

Feedback from the first meeting was that Joe and CGCC found it productive and useful. Joe has contacted all shops about the cages outside the front of the shops and if no contact then action will be taken to remove the cages. The taylor bin from outside 97 Westmorland Street was removed which has stopped people using it as a dumping area. Joe has been speaking to IT about an analytical report which he will start sending to Jennifer.

Joe is looking to start a deep clean in May all members of CGCC asked if this could be planned and co-ordinated properly this time and Joe advised that he is currently in process of liaising with all the relevant departments to ensure this is successful.

Everyone thanked Joe for his hard work and look forward to what progress is achieved.

## Cross Party Group

Next Meeting has not been arranged as of yet.

**Action:- Cheryl to follow up on this**

## Social Work

Janet McCulloch introduced herself and advised that she has taken over from Susan Orr as Head of Children Services for the South of the city. She is looking at the needs of each community so she can tailor the services to provide the best value for money. One of the biggest spends is on accommodation outwith the community for young people so now they are looking at a new strategy to spend the money better with early intervention and enhanced support available to the families. They have saved over £4 million by accommodating children within the communities and this money is being redirected into helping to keep families together.

There is a dedicated team tasked to work with the Roma Community regarding attending school. Janet's teams support both Holyrod and Shawlands Academy to get people into school from this community. If the family do not accept the school placement then there is a multi agency approach to ensure that all children are going to school. If anyone has any concerns about a child they can report this via 0141 287 0555.

Janice and Joe advised that there are Youth Provisions and services within the area. Joe is currently working with the Joint Govanhill Youth Network and they will be producing a leaflet shortly which he will send to Jennifer to circulate. This network will be feeding into the hub

Janice advised she is happy to attend any further meetings to discuss any issues we may have.

## Thriving Places

Questions as to how the board was made up and why no one from the community was on the board.

**Action:- Letter to be written to Govanhill Housing regarding turning the empty shops into flats at Allison Street & Victoria Road**

**Action:- Cheryl to write to John Quinn and ask why no members of the community are on the board.**

## ACOB

Queens Park Arena Report given by Keith

## Public

None

## Close of Meeting and Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020 Held:- Samaritan House, 151 Coplaw Street G42 7JG at 7.00pm

