



## **Crosshill & Govanhill Community Council**

**Date:- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

**Address:- Zoom Meeting at 7.00pm**

**Attendees:-** Anne Marie Millar, Damian Tausney, Jennifer MacDonald, Cheryl McCormick (Chair), Grant McManus, Andy Carberry, Keith Hawley, Alexander Belic (Councillor), Soriya Siddique (Councillor)

**Apologies:-** Marion Nisbet, Mhairi Hunter, Joe Moffat

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **Matters Arising/Action Points**

Cheryl took everyone through the previous action points outstanding

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

Cheryl to write to John Quinn and ask why no members of the community are on the board – Cheryl wrote to John who advised that the board would consider this at their next meeting. Cheryl will chase this up.

Planning – Jennifer sent 2 emails and had no response from either to advise if they were working or not. Alexander advised that they started back 3 weeks ago and are working from home doing virtual meetings with no planning issues coming up within the area so far.

Councillors – Jennifer emailed all councillors and only had a response from Soriya. Alexander gave update on behalf of Mhairi and himself at meeting.

### **Previous Minutes approved**

Slight amendment – expand on what the boxes are on Aikenhead Road at Cathcart Road to ensure that people reading the minutes understand what we are talking about. Minutes amended to Electrical/Power Boxes.

1<sup>st</sup>:- Grant McManus

2<sup>nd</sup>:- Cheryl McCormick

### **Treasurer Report**

Damian advised that there is £888.94 in bank. He has received a letter from BOS asking us to do a business swap to another bank after researching Damian feels Co-Op bank is the best option for us. After discussion it was agreed to change to Co-Op.

### **Planning & Licencing**

Nothing to report.

## Secretary Report & Mail In/Out

Everything that has come in Jennifer has forwarded to all members throughout the month including updates. Update from Myleen MacKinnon who is overseeing the build of the children's home at Butterbiggins Road to advise that due to covid they have not currently been building and their timescales have now been put back. She will be in touch as soon as she has any update to keep us informed.

## Councillors Reports

### **Mhairi Hunter**

Councillor Hunter was not able to attend the meeting Alexander gave an update on both of their behalf's.

**Action:- Jennifer to email all councillors regarding issues with Bulk Uplifts, Flytipping and Street Sweeping not being done. As well as issues with parking on dropped kerbs especially at Dixon Avenue and about the concerns for safety at Victoria Road with the new cycle lane.**

### **Soryia Siddique**

Councillor Siddique advised that throughout covid she has been extremely busy with helping people within the community delivery vouchers, food parcels and dealing with enquires regarding food poverty, mental health, business grants, furlough, digital inclusion and the issue with sqa results which have now been overturned. Cleansing was not a big issue throughout lock down but it is now becoming a bigger issue the more restrictions that are lifted. There was a discussion about bulk uplift, parking on dropped kerbs, street sweeping and fly tipping all being an issue within the area.

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### **Alexander Belic**

Councillor Belic updated that Mhairi Hunter as Head of Social Work was extremely busy throughout lockdown trying to find accommodation in hotels for homeless and she continues to be very busy coordinating this operation. He advised his biggest issues he were dealing with pay zone issues as there were no shops in Govanhill providing this service only the post office which was operating shorten times throughout covid and the barrier at Polmadie being down not allowing larger vehicles to enter. Some discussion regarding this barrier as CGCC were assured by Stevie Scott that this barrier would be removed several months ago and it has not been done. Alexander to chase this up. Question raised about Govanhill Library and Alexander advised that this will be opening back up but everything is opening up in phases, due to the restrictions being put back in place this has now been delayed so can not give a timescale as to when it will open but it will definitely be opening back up again. AMM asked if Alexander knew why there was so many electrical/power boxes fitted at Aikenhead Road and if there was any planning permission sought for them. There is too many boxes and poles there now and it is a cause for concern. Alexander did not know the answer but will look into this for Anne Marie.

**Action:- Jennifer to email all councillors regarding issues with Bulk Uplifts, Flytipping and Street Sweeping not being done. As well as issues with parking on dropped kerbs especially at Dixon Avenue and about the concerns for safety at Victoria Road with the new cycle lane.**

**Action:- Alexander to chase up removal of the barrier to Stevie Scott.**

**Action:- Alexander to look into the amount of electrical/power boxes on Aikenhead Road at Cathcart Road and whether there was permission sought for them all.**

## Cleansing

Joe is on Annual Leave this week but sent an update via email.

Bulk service: This will undoubtedly be what most are asking about however this service is still under review. I do however think that I will be able to provide an update on this service for the next meeting and hopefully provide clarity.

Food waste: this is also still suspended and following requests to remove I have arranged a number of grey bins removed within the neighbourhood due to the Environmental impact. When this service resumes I will engage specifically with people to find out if people want this service or not. Most so far have fed back not wanting this service as people not recycling food waste correctly.

2 green bins Allison Street/Langside Road - as cleansing do not own these bins was not able to get them removed however our Commercial team has got in touch with contractor who has advised will remove these this week.

General: Working closely with problematic addresses for missed collections and seemed to have resolved some long term issues. However with recent industrial action this has put us behind so blue collections are currently behind schedule.

Question was asked about whether bottle bins were being collected as these seem to be constantly full.

**Action:- Andy is working with Joe doing site visits throughout the area and will continue to do so as no Bulk Uplifts, Street Sweeping and Fly Tipping is being done.**

**Action:- Jennifer to email Joe about Bottle Bin collections.**

### **Police**

Jennifer and Andy had a meeting with Inspector Menzies. Notes attached. Jennifer and Andy will continue to work with Inspector Menzies to feed back any issues within the area.

**Action:- Jennifer to arrange follow up meeting with Inspector Menzies**

### **ACOB**

Discussion took place if we wanted to continue with Zoom meetings until we could get back to meeting in Samaritan House and this was agreed to be the best way to communicate in the meantime.

### **Public**

None

### **Close of Meeting and Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Held:- Zoom Meeting at 7.00pm