



Crosshill & Govanhill Community Council

Date:- Monday 8th February 2021

Address:- Microsoft Teams Meeting at 7.00pm

Attendees:- Anne Marie Millar, Damian Tausney, Jennifer MacDonald, Grant McManus, Andy Carberry, Keith Hawley, Alexander Belic (Councillor), Marion Nisbet, , PC Stevenson, Cheryl McCormick (Chair), Baillie Soryia Siddique

Apologies:- Laura Moran, Councillor Mhairi Hunter

Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Matters Arising/Action Points

Cheryl took everyone through the previous action points outstanding

Councillor Hunter & Jennifer – outstanding action to arrange meeting with roads and police – no response to Councillor Hunter so she will escalate.

Hustings:- Jennifer has been unwell and has not started looking at this will try and confirm dates with parties before next meeting even if candidate is not confirmed yet.

Previous Minutes approved

1st:- Andy Carberry

2nd:- Keith Hawley

Treasurer Report

Damian advised that there is £889.16 in bank.

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.

Councillors Reports

Mhairi Hunter

Mhairi was unable to attend but sent update via email which was passed out to all members copied below:-

There was a meeting with GMB/Living Rent and Cllr Anna Richardson and NS staff last week.

Other issues that have been raised with me include new lamp posts which many people feel are being placed in a strange way. I have been in touch with the Dept and happy to pass on their response if anyone wants to see it.

I have also raised issues about persistent obstructive parking (the same issues we wish to discuss with Roads) particularly around Victoria Road.

More generally, the focus in the Council over the past few weeks has been on continuing to support the Covid response and vaccination roll out which is going well. I am really pleased that the vast majority of our home care staff have now been vaccinated and regular testing is now in place and also that regular testing is going to be rolled out in schools. In terms of what is coming up, the Council will be setting our budget on 11 March (subject to this date being approved by the City Administration Committee on Thursday). The allocation announced by the Scottish Government means that this budget will be a bit easier than in previous years, which is good news.

Soryia Siddique

Councillor Siddique advised that she has mostly been dealing with queries regarding cleansing, gmb/living rents meeting and blocked gullies.

Alexander Belic

Alex advised he has mostly been dealing with flooding and blocked gully issues.

Cleansing

Laura was unable to attend the meeting but sent in the following update:-

Neighbourhood Co-ordinator – Interviews be completed by end of this week. I'll let you know as soon as I can who has been successful and put them in touch.

Polmadie depot manager – New depot manager been appointed at Polmadie, now in post.

Polmadie (tipping etc.) – Disposals Manager looking into whether a bespoke arrangement can be made at Polmadie for tipping.

Thriving Places – Marzanna (Thriving Places, Community Connector) will be sending out invitation to environmental sub-group meeting to be held in next few weeks.

Food waste - Food Waste Collections for Flatted Properties

Neighbourhoods and Sustainability will resume food waste collections in the South area of the city from 15 February 2021.

A review of food waste bins has been undertaken in the South of the city and this has identified two specific issues in flatted properties, these are -

- ! Significant levels of repeated contamination in bins within specific backcourts
- ! Unacceptable risks to staff in terms of servicing bins – this is largely around stairs, access and weight of bins

As a consequence of these issues, bins will be removed from around 2,300 backcourts (2,700 bins) in advance of the service resuming and removals will commence on 8 February 2021. For those properties where bins are being removed, a letter will be issued to residents, week commencing 1 February 2021, advising them of alternative ways to recycle food waste. For properties where bins have been removed, residents who still wish to recycle their food waste will be able to access an enhanced network of public food waste bins sites across the South of the city. A list of these locations can be found on the Council's website - <https://glasgow.gov.uk/RecyclingPoints>. The location of these public/on street facilities means that bins will be placed a short distance from areas where bins have been removed from.

Food waste bins that remain in backcourts will move to a 16 day collection frequency, which mirrors the implementation of the Bin Replacement Programme blue bin frequency, and ensures that the same vehicle, driver and crew will service the same properties on each shift. We are committed to improving our services therefore we encourage households to continue to fully utilise all recycling bins which have been provided, helping to increase recycling in the city and reducing our carbon footprint. The average family household could also save up to £460 per year by throwing away less food.

As noted above, residents will continue to have the opportunity to recycle food waste. It is anticipated that there will be efficiencies in terms of vehicle movements leading to a reduction in our carbon footprint and also increasing the quality of food waste collected.

If you require any further information, please contact Steve McGeedy on steven.mcgeady@glasgow.gov.uk.

Bulk – From 10th December we have been operating a by-request-only service for bulk uplifts from residents in flats and main door properties.

A request-only service means the council will no longer be collecting bulky waste from designated pick-up points on 'bulk day'.

Residents can place a request for a maximum of 10 items on MyGlasgow App or by using our [online form](#).

Residents will receive an email acknowledgement and once the request has been processed they will receive a further email with their Collection Date.

Bulky waste should only be presented on the day before Collection Date.

Bulky waste should be placed within the grounds of residents property (e.g. a backcourt or garden) and it should be ensured it does not obstruct bins or common pathways. Just leaving items on the street or in a back lane will be regarded as fly-tipping and the people responsible will be open to enforcement action.

It was agreed we need more information on the bins as we have concerns about the level of collections, bins on the street, commercial use using them.

Action:- Jennifer to email Laura and Steven to ask questions and ensure that they will be at environmental meeting.

Roads & Pavements

Mhairi and Jennifer advised that they are getting nowhere with roads who are not responding. Agreed that this now needs to be escalated.

Action:- Jennifer to email all councillors and Anna Richardson

Action:- Jennifer to email all councillors to action the sever flooding at Queens Park Avenue/Queens Drive

Police

PC Stevenson advised that crime rates are all lower and this is a mixture of prolific offenders being targeted and now remanded in prison and covid stay at home orders.

Thriving Places

There has not been a meeting this year yet but it was agreed to nominate Jennifer as representative, with Andy being involved in all cleansing issues.

Marzana is organising an environmental sub group which Jennifer will send to everyone once arranged.

ACOB

Eldritch has advised he wishes to be removed from Community Council. Cheryl has informed Steven Dowling and has requested for nomination forms for temporary appointments during covid. Cheryl will create poster for everyone to social media.

Jennifer advised she can not access facebook messages, Grant tried and couldn't either, Keith can access.

Marzana has asked Marion to be part of a Language Festival and give a session on Glesga Banter which is on 21st February

Public

None

Close of Meeting and Date of Next Meeting

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