Crosshill & Govanhill Community Council

Date:- Monday 10th November 2025

Address:- Daisy Street Neighbourhood Centre Meeting at 7pm

Attendees:- , Andy Carberry (Chairperson) Damian Tausney (Treasurer/Vice Chair), Anne Marie Millar (Secretary), Marion Nisbet, Linda Crumlin, K Hawley, K Walker, Liz from MP John Grady's Office, Police Scotland – N Morris, Cllrs Belic, Hunter & Siddique G. Scott GHA. I Craig - Agnew Lane

Public: 7 Members

Apologies:- NLO - L Thomson, MP J Grady

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes 13th October 2025 was agreed as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed by L Crumlin 2nd by K Walker

Matters Arising/Action Points from October 2025 Minute:

- Carried over from September meeting: Procurator Fiscals Office (PFO) – Find out how many cases sent to PFO by GCC regarding Commercial Waste to be dealt with in the last year and how many prosecuted in the last year. No response as yet – As Cllr Belic wasn't in attendance this is to be carried over to the November Meeting. Cllr Belic advised he had emailed them nut no response as yet **Action: Cllr Belic to follow up.**

Matters Arising/Action Points from October 2025 Minute Continued:

- Carried over from September meeting: Bin hubs coming in will be reviewed in the next couple of months. **Action: NLO will report number of streets involved number of bins. Action Secretary to email NLO for response.**
- Carried over from September meeting: A member of the Community Council asked Councillor Hunter how can a Van that is parked on the road obtain Road Tax without a current MOT Certificate? Action: **Cllr Hunter to look into this. Cllr Hunter emailed them but no response and she will follow up. Action: Cllr Hunter**
- Action Plan – The new NLO wasn't aware of this Plan but will find out and get back to us. **Action: NLO - L Thomson**
- Bankhall Street Chopped up cars also at Boyd st/Cathcart Road **Action: Police Scotland to update at November meeting See their report.**
- **Planning –** 55 Dixon Avenue Objection. Action: L Crumlin **Objection sent into GCC.**
- Do Supervisors of the Cleansing Department go around the routes to see how staff are clearing out binsets and also when emptying bins into the lorries to see if they pick up waste that falls out of the bins. **Action K Venables**
- Email from resident re: Flags on Victoria Road. **Action: Secretary to send email to members for their thoughts on this issue.**

Police Scotland

Fireworks – Asked for opinions how people felt the Firework Free Zone went. Feedback was mixed as some thought it was bad on the night but others thought it was quieter.

Stats were as follows for 31 October 2025-5 November 2025:

G Division	13% Fewer Fireworks tagged calls
Sub Division	36% Fewer Incidents
	92% fewer Firework Crimes with 13 last year and 1 for this year.
	5% drop in incidents

Police Scotland Continued

30% drop in all crime
44% drop in incidents
87% fewer crimes – 30 last year with 4 for this year.

Question asked - was asked if it was advertised enough.

Gorbals Police Station will close its doors on Monday 17 November 2025 with the staff relocating to Cathcart Police Office.

House Breaking – Somone has been arrested and remanded for 8 House Breaking charges.

Public raised the following:

Rangers v Celtic Match issue around buses parking on both sides of the Road Queens Drive at Number 10 as if driving you couldn't see approaching traffic. The Police officer will feed this back to Police Scotland. Also Issues with traffic trying to get out of Bennan Square and along Breretan Street.

It was also raised that Hampden does not advise local residents when events or matches take place, like they do at Queens Park.

Treasurer Report - £3,992.79 in account.

Planning

There were 3 applications – 2 applications for 44 Queens Drive External Works also Internal works and also 68 Queens Drive replacement windows. **No Objections**

Licensing

144 Allison Street Indian Restaurant also 14 Polmadie Street HMO – **No Objections**

Neighbourhood Liaison Officer – Lisa Thomson

Apologies given and report email only seen after the meeting**. Report as follows:**

Please accept my apologies as I will not be in attendance at this evening's meeting, however, I do have a couple of updates for everyone.

- The Parks manager has confirmed that there is more than £20k ringfenced for works in Riccarton Park, however, no dates for the work starting as yet
- If the Community Council members are able to agree their top 3 priority actions in relation to the Action Plan for work going forward, that would be greatly appreciated
- I have highlighted the lighting at Millennium Square to the Parks Manager and this could be possibly looked into through the Developers Contributions Fund, Stakeholders engagement required for this – Work in progress

Please also see FPN's for Govanhill for the last month below:

In the past Month 29 Litter FPN's and 1 Dog Fouling FPN has been issued in and around the Govanhill area.

Litter

Hollybrook Street 1
Annette Street 3
Inglefield Street 3
Kingarth Street 1
Prince Edward Street 1
Dixon Avenue 3
Coplaw Street 2
Bowman Street 1
Govanhill Park 2
Allison Street 3
Carfin Street 1
Westmoreland Street 1
Cuthbertson Street 1

Neighbourhood Liaison Officer – Lisa Thomson Continued

Calder Street 1
Pollokshaw Road 1
Cathcart Road 4

Dog Fouling.

Govanhill Park 1

Total 30 FPN's

I am awaiting the updates from Parking and as soon as I receive these, I will pass these on.

Secretary Report Mail In - Mail Out

All mail sent to Community Councillors – nothing requiring response.

Councillor & MP Reports

John Grady MP Update-November 2025

Millennium Square

- Following the previous community council meeting & walkabout, John raised with the Council Millennium Square, in particular tiles laying on the floor, mud on the cobbles creating a slip hazard, and mossy areas of the square blocking the fire exit from the Larkfield centre.

- The council responded to say they would remove loose tiles posing a trip hazard, clean mud from cobbled surfaces to reduce slip risks, and clear the moss obstructing the fire exit. They said they would also explore longer-term solutions to improve the upkeep and servicing of the hardstanding areas within the square.

- However, it was noted yesterday that tiles remain loose on the floor, so we have again pursued them today for a resolution.

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John Grady MP Update-November 2025 Continued

Transport/Roads

- Concerns have been raised that it is very difficult to cross Butterbiggins road, where it meets Cathcart Road. John has raised this and asked if a solution could be explored.
- John continues to pursue issues relating to cars without MOT/tax and we'll provide any update from the DfT when possible.

Fireworks

- How do the community feel the fireworks control zone went? Several concerns have been raised-if the CC are open to it, John would like to meet with the community council to discuss any concerns and see if there is a way forward for this and any future implementation (this would also be a good opportunity to meet and discuss further a plan going forward for issues pertaining to cleansing).

Surgeries

- John continues to hold surgeries across the seat and you can book in by calling or emailing the office.

Councillor Hunter

Millenium Square – Update :

Following the walkabout with council officers on 14 October 2025, arrangements have been made to address the immediate concerns raised regarding the hard landscaped areas within Millennium Square and the vicinity of the Larkfield Centre. This includes the removal of loose tiles posing a trip hazard, the cleaning of mud from cobbled surfaces to reduce slip risks, and the clearance of moss obstructing the fire exit.

We are currently coordinating with our maintenance teams to ensure these works are carried out promptly. While these immediate actions are being

Councillor Hunter Continued

Millenium Square – Update Continued:

scheduled, we are also exploring longer-term solutions to improve the upkeep and servicing of the hardstanding areas within the square. This will be considered in line with available budgets and future planning priorities."

Casework- Pavement outside the Govanhill Health Centre needs fixing as soon as possible this has been raised with the department.

Riccarton Park Play area to be renewed

Licensing and Landlord Registration Unit – Lengthy discussions around these environmental notices not mentioned in the legislation, non-payment of common repairs can see them brought in front of committee. When issues are identified they will check the conditions of property to ensure standards are being met.

Cllr Hunter has written to the Minister for Housing and will report back when she has a response.

Fireworks – she felt the zone should have included Albert to Cathkin Park too as people from Govanhill and Pollokshields travelled to this part of Crosshill due to the zones being introduced in Govanhill and Pollokshields.

The only issue outstanding was regarding Truancy in Govanhill and will bring the response hopefully to next meeting.

Councillor Siddique

Thank you for your follow up enquiry regarding the roof at Govanhill Library.
Glasgow Life's Facilities Management Team has instructed a full roof survey at Govanhill Library. The survey has concluded that extensive works are required to bring this roof up to a suitable condition. The results of the survey were then shared with our main contractor to provide a price for the works

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required which has come back at a cost of £266,283. Unfortunately Glasgow Life have insufficient capital funding to be able to instruct these works at this time. This works package will be added to our backlog maintenance for future instruction when funding becomes available. There is a small leak affecting the inside of the building for which we have instructed our main contractor to attend and carry out a repair to prevent any further water ingress.

Below is the response from GCC regarding fly tippping:
"Just to say that a FPN is being issued for the fly tipping of the car parts. It will be for £500.

I worked with Police Scotland and SEPA (Scottish Environmental Protection Agency) with regards to this. It was decided that the fastest and easiest route was for a FPN served by GCC."

I have requested an upgrade of Children's Play at Riccarton Street Play Area, Govanhill.

Did a walkabout in Govanhill concerned by the level of fly tipping. Raised the fly tipped car parts and I have been advised that a £500 FPN is being served.

There have been complaints about fireworks, missed bin collections, fly tipping, lack of enforcement and overcrowded housing.

I have asked the council how many FPN have been served in Govanhill in past three years.

Casework- Fltytipping, lack of family housing as there isn't enough of them.

Question for Councillors – Is the Sherpa Vehicle still in Govanhill on a daily basis, advised it was but it was raised that as it needs to go to Shieldhall to drop off bulk it doesn't get many runs to the depot in a day to remove bulk

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Councillor Siddique Continued

from the streets due to the distance. It was asked if they could drop off at Polmadie. **Action: Councillors to raise with the department.**

It was also raised that there were two points of issue: Lack of enforcement and failure of cleansing to get rid of fly tipping as Govanhill is the Fly tipping Capital of Scotland.

Public – raised that they pay £5/item to have bulk removed and is there not a way that they could identify fly-tippers. There is issues at Langside Road and also Riccarton Street all of which have been constantly reported to the Council and also Enforcement and nothing happens. One of the Community Councillors asked the elected members could they not put re-deployable CCTV cameras at sites that are renowned for fly-tipping. **Action: Councillors to investigate this.**

Tayor Bins at Bankhall Street - It was raised that the dentist complained to a community councillor who was at the dentist advising the bins cause smells in the dentist and it's no pleasant for them or their patients to have to put up with this. **Action: Councillors to look into this for a solution.**

Polmadie Depot - It was asked which part was Council – advised the van section is GCC and the recycle section is Virador.

Councillor Belic

Fireworks – Issues around the gap between Govanhill and Pollokshields possibly called Strathbungo area. We need to look at a Southside Area Zone. **Action: local councillors and also the Chairperson of the Community Council raise this at the next meeting of the area partnership and get it on the agenda and agreed before the window of the Fireworks zones are raised for next year.**

Bankhall Street - £500 Fixed Penalty Notice issued. The shop owners are looking at putting a fence up. It was asked if this was to happen could it be

to create a space that the community could benefit from.
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Councillor Belic Continued

Flags – The Councillor received a few emails regarding flags in particular about why were flags taken down from Battlefield Road.

No flags removed from Victoria Road.

The Community Council advised they received one email regarding a flag on Victoria Road via our website and the secretary asked members should we take any action as it was one person who had raised it. The response from members was that we should forward the email to NLT for them to look into and respond directly to the person raising the issue but before we could do that they had to agree to us forwarding their email details to the NLO and the Community Councillor who monitors the website email has contacted them for permission but to date they have failed to respond.

Agnew Lane

One of the directors came along to the meeting to give us an insight to what they do and they advised that they also stay on Albert Road, there is a community garden area within the lane to grow food, it's also a space for neighbours etc to come together. It is privately owned with no planning application currently as previous one has lapsed. Neighbours gather on a Sunday and if any members of the community council wish to pop along for a catch up they would be more than welcome to do so. There are raised beds in the lane and they run various events too. It was asked if it was similar to what South Seeds done.

Public raised the following:

Community Councillor raised issue of Graffiti which seems to be getting worse in the local area especially at Langside Road/Allison Street. They were advised by elected members that the Graffiti team were still out and about but if it was private property the Council wouldn't clean it.

AOCB – Fireworks – is it illegal to sell Fireworks within a Fireworks Free Zone **– Yes.**

Date of next meeting - after consulting with community councillors the chairperson advised the meeting that there would be no meeting held in December 2025 and the next meeting would be second Monday in January 2026.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 12th January 2026 – Neighbourhood Centre, Daisy St at 7pm