

Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council

Minute of meeting held on Monday 6th December 2021 @ 7.30pm

From the constitution:

The objectives of the community council shall be to:

- (a) gather and articulate the views of the community which it represents
- (b) express fairly the views, diversity of opinions and outlooks of the community to Glasgow City Council; and other public/private organisations
- (c) act as a voice for their local area on any matters affecting their community's lives, welfare and environment
- (d) liaise with other community groups within their local area
- (e) take any such action in the interests of the community as appears to be practicable
- (f) promote the well-being of the community and to foster community spirit.

1. Note attendance, apologies.

Attendees - Claire Conaghan / Stephen Docherty(chair) / Russell Ecob / Christine Jess / Alistair King / Laurence Weir

Apologies – Evelyn Silber.

Visitors - Cllr Anna Richardson.

2. Approve minutes of last meeting

Previous meetings in October and November had been cancelled and there was no record of discussion from September meeting.

3. Matters arising from last meeting

This meeting had been first for three months due to unavailability of members and was a follow-on from the AGM.

4. Community Police report

No update provided.

5. Planning Report

There had been request for a presentation to members from the new developer for the site at 32 Mansionhouse Road. AK to circulate options and set up. RE confirmed there had been no news on the submission by Sanctuary for the Grange Road site.

6. Licensing Report

CJ had agreed to monitor the licensing applications and would make arrangements to get notifications.

7. Councillor's report

Cllr. Anna Richardson, talked on two main issues that are currently of relevance to the local community.

Liveable Neighbourhoods Project - As a means of mitigating the negative effects of the pandemic on local neighbourhoods and town centres, Glasgow City Council are currently in midst of project to create Liveable Neighbourhoods. This 10-year project aimed to improve the local public space and roads to make more people-friendly, better for socialising and improving commercial activity, improvement for sustainable travel and reducing speeding.

The council was adopting the 20-minute Neighbourhood approach and had included details on:

https://www.glasgow.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=27062

The process would comprise stages: Proposals, followed by funding submission, and implementation on acceptance.

The area covered by Battlefield/Langside/Mount Florida/Kings Park/Toryglen was one of the initial group of four areas and currently preliminary proposals for the area had been completed. Anna noted that the Battlefield Project, led by Sustrans would be rolled into the project and she would keep the CC updated on progress.

AR encouraged all to engage with the interactive maps and noted that engagement from the local area had been good to date.

Cleansing - The recent industrial action had created difficulties across the city and had created particular problems in the tenemental area of Battlefield. The council was trying to mitigate the effects and had started a process of catching up on collections.

Highly visible teams would be working locally to target areas being badly impacted and would follow on work to target fly-tipping that had been carried out during the period of Lockdown.

The delay in uplifts of food waste from houses (in brown bins) was regrettable but less problematic during the colder weather. A system for collection of food waste from flatted properties has still to be arranged.

The waste collection process was currently undergoing a longer-term change as GCC makes efforts to meet their commitments to the Recycling Charter. The Council was currently not fully compliant, and lack of stream-lining and poor separation practices were costing the city.

8. Summary of correspondence

CC said there had been no correspondence beyond that which had been sent direct to all members. There was need to redirect any mail now to new secretary (AK).

9. Treasurer's report

No changes in accounts as no monies spent. There remained the pressing need for change to signatories following Suzie's stepping down. Alison was unable to contribute in an on-line role and Evelyn had noted ongoing issue with payments to Library Garden account.

10. Report from Langside Area Partnership

ES had previously submitted link to minutes of meeting to all members.

http://www.glasgow.gov.uk/councillorsandcommittees/Agenda.asp?meetingid=17500

Christine Martin our Local Neighbourhoods officer wants to come and speak to us on items including the regular monthly meeting held of local officers to review local issues and needs, and the lanes funding stream and how to apply. SD/AK to arrange invite.

Kevin Kane as chair of Board for Langside Halls wants to come to meet us also. Their initial feasibility study has been concluded and he will be able to share details. SD/AK to arrange invite.

11. Library garden project update

A £500 grant to the Garden project as part of the c£1200 cost of remedial installation of the benches was approved and the payment will be made to the CC account (they won't send money direct to the Garden account since all payments go the same account as the original grant application for the project which was back in 2015-16) and so £500 needs to be paid to the Garden account.

12. Queens Park Steering Group

No report or minutes from QPSG. SD questioned progress on funding applications for play areas, specifically the skate park. AR said she would enquire. SD noted a meeting of the QPSG was in the diary.

13. Website update

The website remained live but was not being added to and was still looking for support to administer. The need for regular updates and a linked Facebook page with info on meetings and local issues remains and training on administration of website is now urgent.

14. AOB

As noted in minute of AGM, Suzi had notified CC in the summer of her having to step down from the chair due to family commitments. Claire noted also she needed to give up the role of secretary following this meeting. Stephen had agreed to act as Chair and Alistair could contribute by minuting meetings, although he noted he would need some further information on other duties of secretary. Although some correspondence was to all members, much was issued directly to Claire and/or Suzi and this would need to be re-arranged through Steven Dowling.

15. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 7th February 2022 - 7.30pm at Finn's Place, Small Hall

Councillor rota: Cllr Archie Graham (February), Cllr Tanya Wiseley (March), Cllr Susan Aitken (April), Cllr Anna Richardson (May),