



Langside, Battlefield and Camphill Community Council

Meeting on Monday 7th February 2022 @ 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 - Stephen Docherty / Christine Jess / Alistair King / Evelyn Silber / Russell Ecob/ Claire Conaghan / Laurence Weir

Apologies – Councillor Tanya Wisely

Visitors – There was no representation by either local councillor or Community Police

2. Approve minutes of last meeting

Approved January Minutes - All agreed.

3. Matters arising from last meeting

CJ noted she had confirmed her role as Licensing Contact to Steven Dowling.

ES noted that Alison McDonald was unlikely to be returning as a councillor. SD would contact Suzie McCheyne to check whether she would be remaining as a councillor. Currently there were seven councillors who were active/attending meetings and there was an urgent need for a recruitment drive (see AOCB).

4. Community Police report

. AK had issued minutes to PC Gurvinder Singh but he would make contact to ensure he No update provided remained the contact.

5. Councillor's report

No report provided. SD reported that Archie Graham would be retiring and stepping down at next election.

6. Area Partnership Report

ES had circulated notes from recent meeting. It was noted that Alison McDonald was deputy representative for these meetings and ES doubted whether she would be able to continue in this

role, due to ill health. This was not an issue currently and ES would make contact with others when she was unable to attend.

7. Correspondence

CC had forwarded any correspondence that had arrived via the CC address. She would also enable access to this address to AK as secretary for distribution.

A paper on the Local Place Plan was noted to be difficult for the lay person.

Otherwise, noted correspondence included circulars on fly-tipping. It was noted that the placing of discarded Christmas trees in January on corners of Langside Place and Cathkin drive had become problematic. This should be addressed by GCC possibly through better publicity w/r options for disposal. There remained a recycling point in Pollok Park close to Burrell.

SD noted proposed Low Emission Zone would exclude pre-2015 diesel cars.

8. Treasurer's report

Suzie had submitted annual accounts to Steven Dowling and had been thanked for this. There had been no changes in accounts as no monies spent with exception of the payment to the website designer, Ewan..... Suzie continued to receive statements for the account and this needed to be amended.

The requirement for 3 named persons on account – usually the main office bearers - was a requirement and would be arranged over coming month. This could be set up in meantime with SD, AK and LW. CJ noted that Bank of Scotland continued to support a treasurer's account with internet access and issued a card for this.

9. Planning report

Notes had been issued on behalf of the CC for planning application at Grange Road by Sanctuary HA/Collective Architecture and following pre-application consultation on the site at 32 Mansionhouse Road. RE reported there had been around 15 letters issued on the Sanctuary submission for Grange Road including one each from MFCC and LBCCC. No further info had been received from neighbours w/r possibility of representation and he would make contact with local planner, Neil Moran to query next step.

On 32 Mansionhouse Road, AK had received no response back from the developer. The submission was planned for around February/March. SD noted this imminent application had highlighted ongoing issue with the maintenance of Iser Lane and need to confirm responsibilities between Council and residents. Residents at the higher end of Camphill had flights of steps to their collection point on the lane and SD had concerns both with H&S issues with uplift and likely damage to surface/trees if lorries were to be driven onto lane itself. The collection of bins via lanes remained an issue generally that he felt should be clarified by the Council.

No further correspondence or application had been received on the proposed telecoms mast adjacent to Queens Park entrance.

There were no further notices of interest.

10. Licensing report

CJ noted receipt of paper seeking our comments on proposed regulatory changes to proprietors of licenced properties. She noted that major item was on clarifying responsibilities (to proprietors) for safeguarding of children in respect of gambling. CJ would confirm the CC's agreement to this.

11. Website update

The website remained live but without any recent postings. Following discussion, it was agreed that AK would arrange an invite to the next meeting for the website designer for a training session, to enable members to upload posts. The website designer was also able to provide support to administer the website and this could be discussed with him.

12. Library garden project update

ES noted that benches had been installed and upkeep progressing with help of a group of volunteers but with no further landscaping work as yet. She had circulated a questionnaire and encouraged all to fill this in and submit. Also to pass to others in the area. After collation there would be a public meeting to generate ongoing community involvement and to confirm the constitution for ongoing maintenance and operation as drafted with Fiona Porter, Head Librarian.

13. Queens Park Steering group

SD had circulated minutes from QPSG. He reported increased reliance on volunteers for maintenance and waste collection etc and said this was an issue the group would be pursuing further.

14. AOB

Guests

RE noted outstanding guest invites to both Kevin Kane from Langside Halls Trust and Christine Martin from GCC Cleansing. It was agreed that immediate priority for the March meeting, was for the website training but that an invite should be extended to Christine Martin for the April meeting.

Membership

The need for new members was discussed further and need to raise the profile of LBCCC. Various actions were proposed including posters and flyers but it was agreed we should develop a strategy that combined virtual presence and live engagement. We needed to both publicise the CC's ability to enable positive change to the area and to seek out issues that were concerning the community. A questionnaire would be a good start, placing this on the website and circulating through library and targeted mailshots. Meeting people in the street was an option that might get a better response. A follow-up coffee morning might be a useful forum to understand what were the main priorities. All to consider for discussion at next meeting.

A better on-line profile might be achieved through linking to the Battlefield Community FaceBook site which had a large following. This would tie in with the need to recruit more members from the Battlefield area, currently under-represented in the members. CC and LW are active followers and CC agreed to investigate the options of the LBCCC being able to post. Immediate postings could be considered such as recent correspondence on littering and women returning to work.

CJ queried whether marketing advice might be sought, an acceptable use of council funding. She agreed to investigate options with costs.

15. Date of Next Meeting

Members were happy with the return to live meetings and AK would confirm a regular booking to the church. Next meeting to be held on

Monday 7th March 2022 7.30pm at Finn's Place.

Councillor rota: Cllr Tanya Wiseley (March) Cllr Susan Aitken (April), Cllr Anna Richardson (TBA following election)