

LENZIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 17th August 2016
in Lenzie Public Hall

		ACTION
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	John McFadden, Tom Gray, Sandra Thornton, Mark Billington, Tony Miles, Donald MacLeod, Councillor Geekie	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
	Pat Munro, Christine Morrison, Emma Henderson, Rosemary Craig	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
3.1	Community Police – No Community Police were present at this meeting.	
4.0	LENZIE IMPROVEMENT TRANSPORT AND ACCESS	
	Isla Hamilton, for the EDC Transport and Access Team, attended for this item. The aim of the project is to improve connections with Lenzie Station and counter some of the negative effects on the centre, due to the lack of short-term parking. Talks are taking place with Scotrail and Network Rail on the parking situation. Statistics on travel to the Station have been obtained eg 52% of rail users walk to the Station. SUSTRANS will be involved in the design of improvements. There will be an initial consultation exercise in September 2016, probably held in the Station Car Park, when the team will be looking for the opinions of residents on possible improvements.	
5.0	MINUTES OF 15TH JUNE MEETING	
	The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as correct – proposed by John McFadden and seconded by Mark Billington.	
6.0	MATTERS ARISING	
6.1	Field of Dreams - Contractors were now on site for this project and members were pleased that work had started.	
6.2	Rail Infrastructure – Contact had been made with the EGIP project and a meeting was planned to discuss the problems raised by modifications consequent on the EGIP upgrades. A resident, Joanne Fuller-Wilson was present and had previously raised visibility and safety problems at the Crosshill Road vehicle bridge. It was agreed that sightlines are poor at this location and have recently become worse due to vegetation growth. Councillor Geekie undertook to instruct EDC Officers to investigate this problem and rectify if possible. Post-meeting comment – On the overgrowth aspect, it has been established that the responsibility lies with Network Rail and an action has been placed to rectify the problem. From a separate meeting it has been reported that Network Rail intend to position permanent traffic lights to create one-way vehicle traffic on the Crosshill bridge. Electrification requires the parapets to be made solid and higher, which would make it impossible for drivers to see across the bridge. The traffic lights will include sensing to ensure there is not a build up of traffic on the south approach. In the case of the	RG & TG

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	Lenzie Station footbridge, it appears that Planning permission for this modification was sought and granted in November 2015. This Application did not seem to pass through the usual public consultation process and further clarification is being sought. It is unlikely that any further modifications will be made to the footbridge structure and any further representations will need to be made to Network Rail.	
7.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
7.1	Some movements of funds related to the Gala are still taking place. Special grant for the Gala from EDC has also been received. It appears that the Lenzie Churches Holiday Club have not requested the grant which is usually made. Enquiries will be made about this.	
8.0	PLANNING	
8.1	Weekly List – A list of current applications had been circulated and it was agreed that most of these did not require action by the Community Council. There is a notice for a PAN procedure in respect of proposed development south of Claddens Place but no date has been given. Post meeting note The Planning Convener has also circulated an Application in respect of the conversion of an outbuilding on Viewfield Avenue and some comments have been received.	All
8.2	Woodilee Road developments (Marston's pub and housing) – Further to the information in the June minutes, it now appears that the reason for stopping this work was related to the discovery of underground services where they were not expected. Representations had been made to EDC to reinstate the footpath, if only on a temporary basis. Post meeting note – The footpath has been completed so that the south pavement can be used and a safe crossing for pedestrians and bikes can be made from the mid-point of the access to the Strathkelvin Railway path and vice versa.	
9.0	SUSTAINABILITY CONSULTATION	
9.1	Members had been asked to comment on a lengthy EDC document but no contributions had been received. It was agreed that the major negative influence on sustainability is vehicle traffic, which has grown steadily. Various ways of mitigating this could be implemented and it was agreed that the Secretary make a submission to that effect. Post meeting note – a submission has been made to the effect that Lenzie Community Council believes that improved public transport and serious measures to make walking and cycling practical alternatives would improve sustainability. These need to be given a high priority for treatment and expenditure.	TG
10.0	MEETING RE LENZIE PRIMARY SITE DISPOSAL	
10.1	Attention was drawn to a forthcoming public meeting on 22 nd August, to receive information and discuss the disposal of this site. Councillor Geekie will attend the meeting and members were encouraged to attend. The meeting has been organised by the Lenzie Co-Housing for Elderly	ALL

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	Interest Group.	
11.0	BUS ROUTES	
	It was noted that the X86 service, which has been stopping at the Woodilee Road intersection for less than a year, is being withdrawn on a date in August. This service starts at Falkirk and travels through Kilsyth and Kirkintilloch before taking Initiative Road to reach Glasgow City centre. The reason for withdrawal appears to be a lack of custom in the earlier part of the route. A communication had been received from Robert Tait, a resident of Claddens, seeking support to divert either of the K85/87 buses up Lindsaybeg Road for the benefit of residents in that area. After discussion, it was concluded that LCC does not have enough technical information to recommend bus routes, although we agree that several outlying areas of Lenzie are poorly served by public transport. Contact with FirstBus was made recently in the context of the Queen St Tunnel disruption and that might be a route to open a dialogue on bus provision.	TG
12.0	ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS	
12.1	Fairtrade – There will be a Concert with classical music in Lenzie Union Parish Church on September 19 th . This will be supported by Fairtrade stalls in the interval and John Riches will give some news about the Coach House at Balmore.	ALL
12.2	Opening of Lenzie Meadow School – The new School adjacent to Lenzie Moss School would be opening on the following day and members were pleased to note that the school would be ready to receive the new intake. An opportunity will be sought for members to visit the new School.	RG
12.3	Tennis Club Award Ceremony – The Treasurer passed on an invitation to members to attend the Tennis Club Annual ceremony at the Golden Pheasant, Auchinloch.	ALL
13.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	The next meeting will be held on 21 st September in Lenzie Hall Committee Room	