

LENZIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 24th September 2014
in the Upper Hall at Lenzie Halls

		ACTION
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Liz Ibbotson, John McFadden, Tony Miles, Tom Gray, Donald MacLeod, Christine Morrison, Councillor Geekie, Rosemary Craig, Suzanne Smith, Councillor Jarvis. There was also a large attendance of residents related to the presentation by Miller Homes	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
2.1	Sandra Thornton, Pat Munro	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
3.1	There was no Police report at this meeting as the Community Police representative was on leave.	
4.0	Meadowburn Housing proposal	
	<p>Standing orders were suspended at this point to allow a presentation by Miller Homes and subsequent public discussion. Some more detail on the proposals was shown, relative to the plans shown at the August public consultation. In particular, the total number of dwellings had been reduced from 50 to 36. Miller had also investigated various points raised at that event. The most important of these was to find an alternative access to the site, other than along Meadowburn Avenue. Access from Initiative Road had been ruled out by EDC Roads Department, given the classification of that route. Access from Lindsaybeg Road was possible in theory but involved a 6m drop in level, which would be difficult to achieve. Miller had carried out a geometric vehicle study of Meadowburn Avenue, which suggested that the widths were sufficient to accommodate large vehicles during construction and in service. However questions remained concerning safety and practicability, particularly in relation to the adjacent playpark and in relation to the likely presence of parked vehicles. Questions were also raised concerning ownership of land over which access would be required. All of these points and others will be tested when a full Planning Application is made and LCC will consider that in due course. The Planning Convener would compile a report on the meeting which would be submitted to the Planning process. All present were thanked for their participation and the meeting then reverted to normal business.</p>	
5.0	MINUTES of 20th August meeting	
5.1	These minutes were approved.	
6.0	MATTERS ARISING	
6.1	Arnold Clark premises – This item was taken under Planning.	
6.2	Halls Management – Councillor Geekie noted that lawyers for EDC and the present Hall management were still negotiating.	
7.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	

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7.1	The Treasurer reported that, after a payment of £248.45 had been made to EDC in respect of the Gala bunting, £5,682.82 remains in the account.	
8.0	PLANNING	
.1	Arnold Clark premises – The Planning Convener reported that the objection letter that had been circulated to members had been sent to the Planning Department. This letter objected to the change of use, on the grounds of amenity and safety and to the use of advertising flags in the area covered by the new application. The Secretary had received some correspondence from a local householder objecting to the applications on similar grounds.	JMCF
9.0	CORRESPONDENCE	
	Open Space Strategy – A formal consultation on the draft EDC Strategy had been issued in July and circulated to members. There had been some correspondence but no responses. Following a reminder in September, the Secretary had returned some comments - 1. Space to play football is at a premium 2. In respect of Ingleside, it was agreed that this space was best left 'unorganised' but one of the regular annual users was unable to use it this year due to construction works 3. The map has not been updated with respect to the Woodilee development and there is doubt that the line of the core path replacement for the Spider Bridge path is correct 4. The Cult and Park Burns are identified as open space features but the Bothlyn Burn appears to be missing	
10.0	ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS	
10.1	New Member – Potential new member Emma Henderson had attended the informal meeting with the Community Wardens on 10 th September. It was agreed that she be invited to become a member. If this invitation is accepted, her membership can be formalised at the AGM in terms of the co-opted membership, noted in the Constitution.	TG
10.2	Fairtrade Event – The Lenzie Fairtrade Group have arranged a Tasting Event of Fairtrade Wines at Billington's on Friday 3 rd October, starting at 8:00 pm.	ALL
10.3	Charity Christmas Card Sale – Arrangements are proceeding as previously for this event on 8 th November 10 am to 12 noon. There has been a good response to invitations and more are expected.	RC
10.4	Lenzie Academy links – Various projects are being discussed, including Lenzie Moss clean up, participation in the Gala Committee and assistance with social media. It is thought that a 'job description' for a young person on the Community Council would help and Liz Ibbotson undertook to draw this up with help from others.	EI
10.3	AGM - There was discussion of the AGM date. The November meeting was considered to be the most suitable. The proposed presentation on	

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	NHS and new hospital projects had been fixed provisionally for the October meeting but there might be a possibility to have such a presentation at the AGM combined with a public invitation. It was decided to explore this possibility with the NHS team. (Post meeting note – the NHS team have agreed to present at the November meeting and with the idea that this could be made as a presentation of public interest.)	TG
10.4	Coronation Gardens – this area on Victoria Road had been deleted from sites maintained by EDC and Councillor Jarvis suggested that local volunteers might take over this task with help from EDC personnel. (Post meeting note – Coronation Gardens are designated as a Field in Trust and maintenance will be continued. However, volunteers have been identified to assist with this project.)	
10.5	Millersneuk Precinct – A member had drawn attention to the untidy state of this area and the uncertainty of developments in the former Irroco premises. This note had been circulated to members. It was considered that an informal contact with the proprietor might be justified, to establish the plans for this area. Litter remains a problem in this area and wider. Discussions with the Community Wardens had indicated that proprietors of fast-food and similar litter-generating establishments could be held responsible for reasonable clear up and this might be something to pursue in future as the sources of such litter are usually evident.	TG
10.6	Newsletter – Material is to hand and it was thought that a publication could be finalised and made available for pickup in shops by the end of October, in time to publicise the AGM	TM
11.0	Next meeting – 15 th October	