

Lenzie Community Council

minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 24th October 2018
in Dean House

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1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Tom Gray; Tony Miles; Rosemary Craig; Christine Morrison; Cllr Rod Ackland; Suzanne Smith. (It was agreed that the meeting was quorate.)	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
	John McFadden; Callum Dewar; Cllr Sandra Thornton; Drena O'Malley; Mark Billington; Lyndsey Saunders; Gayle McNeill; Paul King;	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
	Officer Robert Guy attended and reported on the periods September-October. There were 345 incidents in the wider Kirkintilloch South and Lenzie area, including 41 reported crimes, of which 23 have been detected. Four of the crimes were in the South Lenzie beat and 37 in the North Lenzie/Kirkintilloch beat. Noteworthy events include fire raising in a playpark in Freeland Place and thefts including theft of vehicles via fishing rod extraction of keys from a house and keys left in ignition. Woodilee Village remains a target area, despite Police warnings. Warning action re parking in Heath and Garngaber Avenues seems to be improving the situation. There have been complaints re vehicles at rugby pitches on Boghead Road. Officer Guy was thanked for his report. It was suggested that website/FB be updated to draw attention to the likely increase of 'frosting' thefts of vehicles. Police support at the Christmas Lights switch on was requested although there is some uncertainty concerning other aspects of this event (see 11.1).	SS
4.0	MINUTES OF 19TH SEPTEMBER 2018 MEETING	
	Acceptance of these minutes was proposed by Christine Morrison and seconded by Rosemary Craig.	
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	Adopt-a-Station – There has been no further development on this issue and it was agreed to contact the organisation that had expressed interest in taking on the tasks.	TG
5.2	Community Council boundaries – Actions agreed at the last meeting have still to take place but some discussion has taken place with a Council Officer. The Secretary was asked to update this Officer with respect to the new situation regarding Woodilee Residents Association and the preferred arrangements for Community Council boundaries in the Woodilee area. The proposed action with regard to the website and increased publicity in the Woodilee area are to be continued.	TG
5.3	Community Wardens – Following attendance of Community Wardens at the last meeting, an email had been received from the supervisor of the Warden scheme, asking if we wished attendance at all meetings. It was agreed that this would not be necessary and the Warden service be notified that while Wardens would always be welcome to attend, it would be a better use of resources to limit attendance to occasions when specific issues raised by the Warden service or LCC would be discussed.	TG

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6.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
6.1	The Treasurer noted that the Robertson Homes sponsorship had still not been received. It was agreed that she would follow this up directly with Robertson Homes. If this did not materialise, the gala deficit would be in the order of £1,000. Projecting the current year's revenue account to 31/3/19, and using last year's figures as a guide for expenditure still to come, LCC should only have a small deficit overall, even with the gala deficit.	AM
7.0	PLANNING	
7.1	Weekly list – Notification of eight Planning Applications had been made since the last meeting and a summary had been circulated to members. It was agreed that these were not contentious in terms of Community Council discussion. One of the notifications concerned a Proposed Application Notice (PAN) to build a residential development at 'Whitegates'. It is assumed that this refers to the former Tom Johnston site and it is logged in the Planning notification as being in Kirkintilloch Community Council area. No mapping or other details have so far been provided.	
7.2	Appeal PPA-200-2049 24-bed hotel proposal – A submission had been made to the Appeal process as agreed at the last meeting. However, since then, the questions raised by LCC concerning the origin of the so-called 'bund' on the site had been investigated further by the Planning Department through historical records. As a result, a Planning Application by Strathkelvin District Council on the treatment of the former rail infrastructure had been found, which showed that the railway embankment at the Woodilee Road site would be mostly cleared but an area at the back of the site (the bund) would be retained and planted with trees to further strengthen the existing tree line which screens the Seven Sisters housing. As these trees on the bund have recently been destroyed and the current proposal in the Appeal process requires that the preserved bund area be partially removed, these completed and proposed actions contradict the earlier planning proposals and are therefore relevant to the Appeal. The Secretary therefore submitted this further information and has been notified by the Reporter that it will be admitted to the Appeal process, despite the fact that it was submitted after the due date.	TG
8.0	2019 GALA PLANNING	
8.1	Wash-up meeting 13th September - A partly social meeting was held at which various aspects of the 2018 Gala were discussed. Lyndsey Saunders agreed to Chair the Gala planning for the 2019 event. The next Gala Sub-Committee meeting is set for 11 th November.	LS
9.0	CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD SALE	
9.1	This event will be held in Lenzie Old Parish Church Hall on Saturday 10 th November. Helpers will be required to set out tables on the evening of Friday 9 th (after 9 pm). It is not known if banners are available at this	RC

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10.0	AGM	
10.1	Arrangements - It was agreed to hold this event on Thursday 15 th November in Lenzie Golf Club, with the AGM starting at 7:00 pm, followed by a talk given by Don Martin entitled 'How Lenzie Began'. Arrangements for catering were discussed.	ALL
10.2	New Office Bearers – Election of Office Bearers takes place at this time. The present Convener, Secretary and Treasurer have intimated willingness to continue in office for the next year, but the office of Vice Convener is vacant. Any member willing to stand for this office would be welcome.	ALL
11.0	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	
11.1	Proposed Event on Saturday 1st December – Suzanne Smith reported that she was not getting a reply from EDC confirming that operatives would look after the switching on actions. Uncertainty meant that other arrangements could not be made. Cllr Ackland agreed to make contact with those involved to clarify the situation.	RA
12.0	AOCB	
12.1	Policing on-line questionnaire – An invitation had been received from HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland to complete an on-line questionnaire on Community Policing (https://response.questback.com/scottishgovernment/hmicsglasgowlocalpolicing . It was thought that LCC should participate in this, if only to emphasise that our recent experience re Community Policing has been exemplary. It was agreed that the Secretary should complete the questionnaire on behalf of LCC. (Post meeting note: Further inspection of the questionnaire suggests that the majority of the questions are aimed at individuals rather than organisations (eg – 'do you feel safe...') In that light, the Secretary will answer whatever questions seem relevant to LCC but would encourage other members to complete the questionnaire on a personal basis).	TG
12.2	Proposed Partick Thistle Training Ground – An invitation to a consultation event in Kirkintilloch Town Hall on Monday 29 th October had been received.	ALL
12.3	Consultation on Unconventional Oil and Gas Extraction – An invitation to contribute to a consultation on fracking has been received and can be responded to via the following website https://consult.gov.scot/energy-and-climate-change-directorate/preferred-policy-position-on-uog/	ALL
12.4	Funding for Empowering Communities – Our attention had been drawn to this scheme and the question had been raised on the kinds of uses that such funding might be applied to. In particular, it was considered that it might be used to improve communication with the	TG

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	community via flyers and improvement to the website. The Secretary was asked to check.	
12.5	Licensing Forum Volunteer Member – The Licensing Board had asked for a member to attend occasional meetings of the Forum to represent the Community. Suzanne Smith agreed to do this.	TG
12.6	Purchase of Digital Projector - It was agreed to look into purchasing a data projector and screen for future events.	AM
12.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
12.1	The next meeting will be held on 21 st November in Dean House	All