

Lenzie Community Council

minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 16th January 2019
in Dean House

		ACTION
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Tom Gray; Tony Miles; Cllr Rod Ackland; Suzanne Smith; Cllr Sandra Thornton; Paul King; Callum Dewar; Christine Morrison;	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
	John McFadden; Drena O'Malley; Lyndsey Saunders; Gayle McNeill; Cllr Gillian Renwick; Ben Stewart; Freya Bradley; Mark Billington; Rosemary Craig;	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
	<p>PC Robert Guy attended and submitted a written report for the period 13/12/2018 to 16/01/2019. A spate of vandalism and youth disorder was a major topic for discussion. Nineteen incidents had been reported. Eight of these had been detected and attributed to children, aged 11 to 13, with a further 11 still being investigated, but mostly believed to be linked to the other 8. Enquiries were still going on to identify others in the group, together with schools liaison. These acts of vandalism and disorder had been a major topic in social media forums and a member had collated a large number of responses in a spreadsheet of information which was passed over to PC Guy as a cross-check on information gathered by Police. Aside from these unusual events, there had been another sneak-in theft resulting in a stolen car in Woodilee Village, two shopliftings, two drug offences, 10 thefts, 4 road traffic offences, a fireraising, two breaches of the peace, racial abuse and 4 sexual crimes. In most of these cases, the detection rate was high.</p> <p>In discussion of the vandalism spike, it was noted that these crimes are difficult to deal with due to the age of the perpetrators and the lack of witness evidence. It was recommended that residents keep a watchful eye out, report suspicious behaviour to the Police promptly and attempt to gather as much observational evidence as possible.</p> <p>The Sergeants responsible for deployment had requested that LCC notify events that would need Police participation as early as possible. This would include Gala, Christmas Lights and New Year Fun Run</p>	RG & TG
4.0	MINUTES OF 12TH DECEMBER 2018 MEETING	
	Acceptance of these minutes was proposed by Paul King and seconded by Suzanne Smith.	
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	<p>Transport Options – This consultation is still live at www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/transport-options-report. It was agreed that the Secretary submit a questionnaire response on behalf of LCC. The major item of interest is the provision of, or diversion of an SPT service linking Kirkintilloch, Woodilee/Garngaber Avenue and Lenzie Station. Cllr Renwick is attempting to arrange a meeting with SPT to check out the claim that an existing service could be diverted at the Initiative Rd/Woodilee Rd junction.</p>	All, TG & MB

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5.2	Community Council boundaries – The proposed survey could now go ahead and a closing date of the end of February for submission of survey responses was agreed.	
5.3	Proposed Closure of Lenzie Library - FOI procedure had been used to establish basic information on the usage of East Dunbartonshire libraries and this information had been circulated. Interpretation of the statistics was not straightforward but total library use across the Council area had reduced and Lenzie Library was no exception. Information had just been received, in a minute of an EDC Council Committee, that EDLCT had ' <i>made recommendations in relation to the smaller libraries in East Dunbartonshire and there were ongoing discussions with Trades Unions and Employers.</i> ' It was also noted that ' <i>there would be a change request to Council in the New Year</i> ' and this was taken to mean a change in the Service Agreement with EDLCT. In the light of these points and the knowledge that the this EDC minute would be discussed at the full Council meeting on the following evening, it was agreed that all three Ward Councillors would be sent an email asking them to support the retention of Lenzie Library and to ensure that all plans concerning the provision of libraries in East Dunbartonshire are open to consultation.	TG
5.4	De-Fibrillator – Enquiries about setting this up in an area close to the taxi office had been made and it seemed likely that financial support could be obtained. There is also a possibility that the unit could be housed in a redundant phone box, with a power supply from the taxi office. Various contacts with EDC and Scotrail had been made and information acquired.	MB &TG
6.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
6.1	The Treasurer noted that the total income from the New Year Jog was ca £800 and, after deduction of expenses and sharing with Olympians, LCC funds stand to benefit by about £300.	CM
6.2	A reminder had been received re applications for EDC Community grant. It was agreed that this be pursued this year. It was suggested that the fact that this will be the 40 th Anniversary of the LCC Gala might be highlighted in the application.	CM
7.0	PLANNING	
7.1	A summary of Planning Applications lodged since the last meeting had been circulated. It was agreed that none of these applications required the attention of LCC.	
7.2	Members noted with regret that John MacFadden had felt unable to resume active membership and Planning Convenership, due to continuing health problems. Members agreed that John had done a great job during his time as Convener and had set a very high standard for LCC's responses to Planning affairs.	
7.3	Suzanne Smith had volunteered to take on the planning convenership, on the understanding that assistance would be available for responses to consultations and other special activities. This offer was heartily welcomed. EDC would be asked to transfer the weekly list notification to	

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8.0	JOG EVENT OUTCOME	
8.1	This was the most successful Fun Run to date with 468 runners and finishers. The weather was very good, which probably accounts for the large numbers. These large numbers stretched resources in terms of registration and soup at the end were concerned but everybody coped well. Consideration has been given to pre-registration, which could give some warning of large numbers, but on the other hand, part of the success of the event is due to the informal nature of the organisation on the day.	
9.0	AOCB	
9.1	Congratulations – This was the first meeting of LCC since the New Years Honours list was announced and members were unanimous in wishing to congratulate Alistair Whitelaw on the award of a British Empire Medal. Alistair has been with the 1 st Lenzie Boys' Brigade Company since 1965 and has been closely associated with the Duke of Edinburgh Awards gained by many young people in Lenzie. It was agreed that a letter of congratulation be sent.	TG
9.1	Gala – The Gala team had met and set the date for Gala 2019 as 24 th August subject to agreement of Lenzie RFC. It had been decided to organise the group into teams responsible for different aspects.	
9.2	LDP2 consultation – A workshop on Local Development Plan 2 will take place on 24 th January and LCC will be represented.	AM & SS
9.3	Lenzie Community Development Trust – The Convener has been invited to the next Board meeting of LCDT on 28 th January and the Secretary will also attend.	AM &TG
9.4	Road Signs – A complaint had been received about lack of road sign cleaning. It was not known which department in EDC would be responsible and the Secretary will attempt to determine this.	TG
9.5	Fly tipping – A complaint had been received about fly tipping in the Calfmuir Road area. Advice from the Police officer was that although Police will attend if possible where a fly-tipping operation is in progress, EDC is better placed to investigate the outcomes of a fly-tipping operation and to clear it up.	
10.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
10.1	The next meeting will be held on 20 th February	ALL