

Lenzie Community Council

minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 20th February 2019
in Dean House

		ACTION
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Tom Gray; Tony Miles; Cllr Rod Ackland; Suzanne Smith; Cllr Sandra Thornton; Christine Morrison; Ben Stewart; Mark Billington; Drena O'Malley; Gayle McNeill;	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
	Lyndsey Saunders; Cllr Gillian Renwick; Freya Bradley; Rosemary Craig; Paul King; Callum Dewar;	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
	PCs John Fitzimmons and Gerry Canning attended and submitted a written report for the period 16/01/2019 to 20/02/2019. There had been 51 reported crimes in the area (including parts of Kirkintilloch up to the Canal) and 23 of these had been detected with enquiries continuing in other cases. There had been one recent housebreaking. Seven drug offences were recorded and all of these have been detected. The vandalism and youth disorder noted at the last meeting have been detected and the offenders are being 'robustly policed'. Police were thanked for their reports and their efforts in in the case of the vandalism spike were much appreciated.	
4.0	MINUTES OF 16TH JANUARY 2019 MEETING	
	Acceptance of these minutes was proposed by Christine Morrison and seconded by Suzanne Smith.	
5.0	PRESENTATION ON LENZIE ACADEMY ACTIVITIES	
5.1	Ben Stewart gave an interesting account of various initiatives undertaken by Lenzie Academy pupils and groups in the Community, covering work with older people and dementia sufferers, associated with Lenzie Old Parish Church. Information on the forthcoming Spring Fling was given. Ben was thanked for his presentation which provided a great deal of information not previously known to members of LCC.	
6.0	MATTERS ARISING	
6.1	Community Council boundaries – The second phase survey of residents (Taylor-Wimpey Estate and Woodilee Cottages areas) had still some days to run, to the end of February, but to date there had been 17 affirmative responses to the proposal to be included in the Lenzie Community Council area and two negative responses (from 57 letters issued).	
6.2	De-Fibrillator – There were no further developments on this item. It has been established that the footpath area in front of the taxi office is owned by Scotrail. It is likely that Scotrail would be in favour of establishing a de-fibrillator point around that location.	MB & TG
6.3	Road sign cleaning – A report made to EDC Street Scene on behalf of a resident had been followed up. Road signs had been inspected and	

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	it was agreed that a cleaning programme would be undertaken.	
6.4	Lenzie Community Development Trust – There had been various developments. There is to be a push to enrol members. Members of LCC would be eligible to apply for membership, the only requirement being that they should be residents of the Lenzie Community Council area. Residents outside the area, with a particular interest in Lenzie would be eligible to become Associate Members. An AGM will be held on 28 th March in Lenzie Golf Club and members are encouraged to attend. Membership Application forms can be provided.	ALL
7.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
7.1	The Treasurer noted that LCC's share of the New Year jog income, at £274, was less than expected, due to a large increase in St Andrew's Ambulance Service costs. but around £5k remains in the funds. The shortfall for the year is likely to be around £1,500, which should leave reserves at 31 st March of £4,800.	CM
8.0	PLANNING	
8.1	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.	
8.2	Local Development Plan 2 – The Convener, Planning Convener and Secretary had attended a workshop convened by EDC in connection with LDP2. Various priorities for Lenzie emerged from the discussions.	
9.0	REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRATEGY	
9.1	It was agreed that the Secretary would complete an online response to this consultation, emphasising the desire to have a shuttle bus provision from Woodilee to the Train Station.	TG
10.0	LENZIE MOSS PATH UPGRADE	
10.1	This proposal, to provide a cycleway connection between the Station carpark and Lenzie Meadow School, had come to light since the last meeting. The engineering consultants appointed by EDC had contacted the Secretary and a paper giving various views on the proposal had been circulated to members. A revised version reflecting the comments was sent to the consultants. It was reported that work on the proposal had been suspended, but no further information was available.	
11.0	WEBSITE	
11.1	The Secretary had been unable to make contact with the original designer of the LCC website to generate the required changes and improvements. Any changes would require access via the domain host. The alternatives were to build a new website from scratch or to contact the host directly. The latter course of action seemed to be worth trying.	PK & TG
12.0	LENZIE YOUTH FOOTBALL REQUEST FOR FUNDING	

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	LCC had previously supported the annual football tournament and it was agreed to provide £200 support in 2019 . The Youth Club had provided assistance in clearing up after the Gala and had agreed to do the same this year. The Treasurer asked that the invoice be submitted in the next financial year (April) and this has since been confirmed as convenient.	TG
13.0	AOCB	
13.1	<p>Scottish Power Cabinet at Queen's Buildings – During the recent cable renewal carried out by Scottish Power Energy Networks, a new steel cabinet had been placed next to the post box and loading bay at Queen's Buildings. The Secretary had contacted EDC and SPEN about this and it appeared that there had been no consultation about this beforehand. The problem is that it will form a dangerous obstruction on the footpath towards the Station. This is of particular concern as this path is used by employees and patrons of the Deafblind Scotland Centre on Initiative Road. There had been discussions about it, involving EDC Traffic & Transport and the consultants responsible for the forthcoming Station Hub project. However, after a suspension of work for a few days, the cable work was restarted and completed, with the cabinet still in place.</p> <p><i>Post-meeting note: further discussions indicate a very uncertain outcome. Alternative positions for the cabinet have been offered to SPEN and it has been noted that there should be an opportunity to reposition the cabinet and cables while the Hub project is under way and the road is closed. A posiive decision on this has not been announced.</i></p>	TG
13.2	Hub project – Decisions were required on various items of street furniture in the Station Hub project. It was agreed that the Convener, Secretary and Drena O'Malley would meet with the Traffic and Transport Officer concerned, to make these decisions.	
10.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
10.1	The next meeting will be held on 20 th March	ALL
	VISIT OF MP JO SWINSON	
	East Dunbartonshire MP had previously expressed a wish to meet with LCC at some convenient point and such an opportunity arose on the day of the February meeting. Ms Swinson attended the latter part of the business as an observer and, after closure of the LCC meeting there was an informal discussion of various local and national issues.	