

Lenzie Community Council

Minutes of Zoom meeting on 15th September 2021

		ACTION
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Present - Tony Miles; Tom Gray; Suzanne Smith; Rosemary Craig; Aileen Mundy; Drena O'Malley; Cllr Sandra Thornton;	
1.2	Apologies - Jean Arbuckle; Mark Billington; Marie MacAulay; Christine Morrison (internet problems)	
2.0	POLICE REPORT (via Secretary)	
	<p>PC Canning has an impression that anti-social behaviour at the usual hot spots had lessened in the last period but is happy to follow up information from anyone who thinks otherwise. The Police generic report for East Dunbartonshire notes that, in the context of alleged Hate Crime, it is now possible for victims to report through 3rd parties they may be more comfortable with. Locally, two organisations are partnering with the Police in this role; namely, Ceartas Kirkintilloch email info@ceartas.org.uk and Deafblind Scotland finance@dcscotland.org.uk. PC Canning has ongoing discussions with EDC regarding complaints about vehicles on Easter Garngaber Rd. and the railway tunnel and hopes to report on this later. He asks that the police community mailbox be used or copied to for non-urgent matters. If he is away for some reason, information may not be responded to unless it is in the community mailbox at GreaterglasgowLPSTbishopbriggs@scotland.pnn.police.uk.</p>	TG
3.0	PROPOSAL FOR NEW PHARMACY IN LENZIE	
	<p>Aidan Connolly made a presentation concerning his proposal for a new pharmacy on the site of the former Royal Bank building. Information can be found at www.lenziepharmacy.com. This was well received. The first step in the process to achieve such a pharmacy is a public consultation which ends in January 2022. There is a questionnaire for residents to complete, either within the area designated as the proposed pharmacy 'neighbourhood' or outwith this area. The web address links to the questionnaire but it was emphasised that paper copies will be made available through local shops and other routes and posters will be placed appropriately to indicate this. The Panel which judges whether the proposal can go ahead sets great store by responses to the consultation and all who would wish this venture to succeed are advised to make sure that their support is clearly indicated.</p>	
4.0	MINUTES OF 18TH AUGUST 2021 VIRTUAL MEETING	
	It was proposed by Aileen Mundy and Seconded by Rosemary Craig that these minutes be accepted.	TG
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	Youth Group Funding – It was agreed to provide £150 to support a Youth Football tournament in Lenzie. There was also a request by 1 st Lenzie Boys' Brigade to fund the purchase of items to assist the Pipe Band in recovery, following lockdown, during which it was impossible to continue. It was noted in the supporting case, which was circulated to members, that the Band is very much a community asset, as members of the Girls' Brigade, Scouts and Guides	

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	have at times benefitted from free tuition in pipes and drums. It was agreed to award £200 in response to this request. There was also a request for new instructors and it was emphasised that any young person in the uniformed organisations who would like to learn would be made welcome.	CM
5.2	Woodland creation proposal – A positive response had been received from Galbraith on behalf of Caledonian Properties. Answers to questions raised at the last meeting had been received. Paul Schofield of Galbraith had proposed that he could meet at the Gadloch with the Secretary and any other interested parties to discuss what might be done in that area. Cllr Thornton expressed an interest to join in such a discussion. It was noted that Auchinloch Community Council had been included in the circulation but there had been no response as yet.	TG, ST
5.3	Active Travel Consultation – Two members had participated in the Teams discussion on this topic, hosted by EDC. A proposal to make a cycle route from Lenzie Station to Bishopbriggs was discussed and it was noted that, if this route were to be shared with pedestrians as at present, careful design would be needed to ensure safety and comfort. The presentation at the consultation included bar graphs compiled from path counter records in East Dunbartonshire. These were shown to members for interest. There was a massive increase in both walking and cycling during lockdown in 2020 and although these have reduced in 2021, as of July they were still well above the results for 2019.	
5.4	ATM at former RBS building – The action to investigate intentions for this ATM, which is now boarded up, was overtaken by the news that the intention regarding a pharmacy on the site is to demolish the building. It was agreed to make known to the owner of the building that there is a continuing demand for an externally accessed and centrally located ATM in Lenzie, notwithstanding a decrease in cash transactions.	SS
6.0	PLANNING	
	Weekly Lists - Summaries of 7 different applications had been circulated to members. None of these raised issues from the Community Council point of view. Two applications in a Conservation area were given special attention.	
7.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
	The Treasurer updated Council with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have received our EDC grant of £2,128 for the current year plus a bit of bank interest. • On the outgoings side we paid for the Ionis web fee and transferred to Love Lenzie the balance of Alice MacKenzie's donation in the sum of £155. This leaves us with current reserves of £6,818.61.	CM
8.0	AOCB	
8.1	AGM – It was noted that we had been unable to hold an AGM in 2020, due to the pandemic but it should be possible to operate a virtual meeting in 2021.	

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	Following discussion, it was agreed that an AGM should be held on 18 th November (day after routine monthly meeting) and arrangements should be made to advertise the meeting.	SS TG
8.2	Publication of book on Deafblind in Scotland – Drena O'Malley has authored a book, "Touching Lives" purchasable from Amazon.co.uk costing £7.00. The book is also purchasable directly from Drena for £6.00, £1 of which will go to Deafblind Scotland.	SS TG
8.3	Public Entertainment Licence – It was noted that some events require a public entertainment licence, but the circumstances that make that requirement obligatory have not been clarified. In particular, it was not clear if the Lenzie New Year Jog falls into that category. Two members volunteered to investigate that with different contacts in EDC.	SS & ST
9.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	The next meeting will be on 20 th October	