Lenzie Community Council

Minutes of meeting in Dean house on 14th December 2022

1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Members - Tom Gray; Christine Morrison; Drena O'Malley; Aileen Mundy; Chris Gilroy; Laura Henderson; Jack Cook;; Isobel Paterson;	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
2.1	Summer Chen; Callum Dewar; Cllr Willie Paterson; Mark Billington	
3.0	RESIDENTS	
3.1	Margaret Whitelaw; Murdoch Wilson	
	Standing Orders were suspended to allow participation of residents in the following discussion	
4.0	Discussion of Co-Housing Plan – Margaret Whitelaw was invited to lead a discussion of the principles of the Co-Housing approach which might lead to the establishment of housing suited to older residents who wish to down size. East Dunbartonshire Council have designated land off Boghead Road as available for development (currently Special Needs School). It appears that the land is sufficient to create a development of 28 dwellings and EDC are supportive of schemes which would achieve a mix of housing.	
	Following Item 4 Standing Orders were restored and the meeting continued dealing with LCC business.	
5.0	MINUTES OF 16 TH NOVEMBER 2022 IN DEAN HOUSE	
	It was proposed by Chris Gilroy and seconded by Laura Henderson that these minutes be accepted as correct.	
6.0	MATTERS ARISING	
6.1	Land Sales – It was noted that the land which had been the subject of discussion under 5.1 in the November meeting is believed to have been purchased by Fleming Buildings. No response had been received to date from Scotways on the question of the land areas noted as 'Pedestrian Access' and whether or not they can be designated 'Rights of Way'. However, Scotways have produced an authoritative book on this question and it was agreed to acquire a copy. (Post meeting note – the auctioned land areas south of Lindsaybeg Road have been put back on offer.)	TG
6.2	Climate Change – The first stage of the publicity programme on the use of bins in East Dunbartonshire has been posted in the noticeboard and will appear shortly on social media. Jack Cook offered to ascertain how food waste was dealt with by EDC.	JC CG
6.3	CC Boundaries – The action noted in item 12 of November minutes has been completed but there are no developments to date.	TG
7.0	PLANNING	
7.1	Weekly List – There were four applications in Lenzie since the last LCC meeting. Three of these did not seem to raise any issues for LCC. One application was discussed in the meeting but no further action was considered necessary. Two applications in adjacent Community Council areas, for a nursery and a nursing home, were considered.	
7.2	TP/ED/22/0641 Woodilee Road objection – This proposal was brought to EDC	

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	Planning Board on 13 th December. The Case Officer's report included a recommended 'condition' that no walls, hedges or similar boundaries that would affect sight lines are built. This recognises the sight line problem raised by LCC but does not address the earlier stated safety problem whereby three driveways in close proximity are crossing a pedestrian/cyclist path, which is also a walk-to-school route. The proposal went to a vote and an amendment to refuse the application was defeated.	JС
8.0	EVENTS	
8.1	Christmas Lights event – The Christmas Lights event had gone very well and was much enjoyed by a large crowd, including families. Several members had safety concerns that the traffic moving through the area in front of Queen's Buildings was very close to those watching the event and often moving too fast for the situation. It was agreed that effective measures were needed to maintain greater distance relative to the flowing traffic and perhaps also to slow traffic. Suggestions included tape marker or similar along the line of the bollards, A-frame notices on both approaches along Kirkintilloch Road and preservation of a pedestrian walk space to allow free passage of pedestrians, without venturing onto the road.	All
8.2	Lenzie Jog 2023 – This event was also making a return after two years. Substantial efforts had been made to develop and implement action lists and to establish written protocols which can provide documentation for the future. It was agreed to write a Task Description for the Lenzie Jog, as well as for other regular happenings. This will help those organising events in the future. Marshalling is a key factor in running an event of this kind safely and a lot of effort is going into finding enough marshals and making sure that they have key information. It was agreed to hire six two-way radios to ensure prompt communication between marshals and with the first-aid team. It is unlikely that Police support can be provided for the jog, as has been the case formerly, as a Celtic/Rangers football match on 2 nd January will absorb Police resource.	DOM
9.0	PHARMACY PROPOSAL	
9.1	The Hearing to decide on this proposal was to have been held on 30th November as a 'hybrid meeting' with members of the panel and secretariat in an in-person meeting location and all the 'participants' on-line, using Teams virtual meeting. Unfortunately it proved to be impossible to get all of the participants on-line at the same time and the meeting could not be held. A revised date for the Hearing has now been given as 18 th January 2023 and this will be held as a normal in-person meeting with no on-line component. Chris Gilroy will again represent LCC at this meeting.	CG
10.0	TREASURER'S REPORT	
10.1	The Treasurer reported that a balance sheet for the Christmas Lights had been circulated. Costs for this event were £474 and sponsor contributions totalled £375, leaving a small shortfall. We are very grateful for the sponsorship.	
11.0	AOCB	
11.1	Community Police – PC Canning has been promoted and has been replaced in the Community Police role by PC Aidan Adams. PC Adams was unable to attend the December meeting but had provided a comprehensive report which will be circulated to members.	TG
12.0	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	

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	The next meeting will be held on 18th January 2023. The Secretary will consult on the venue.	