

## Lenzie Community Council (LCC)

DRAFT Minutes of the monthly meeting in Dean House on Wednesday 16/10/2024 at 7.00 pm

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| <b>1.0</b> | <b>ATTENDANCE</b>   |         |
| <b>1.1</b> | <b>Members</b> -; Drena O'Malley; Jack Cook; Murdoch Wilson   |         |
| <b>1.2</b> | <b>Residents</b> - Margaret Whitelaw, Mohammed Zeeshan, Moira McCafferty  |         |
| <b>1.3</b> | <b>Guests</b> –   |         |
| <b>2.0</b> | <b>APOLOGIES</b>  |         |
| <b>2.1</b> | Mark Billington; Tom Gray; Chris Gilroy; Aileen Mundy; Laura Henderson; Fiona Kirkland  |         |
| <b>3.0</b> | <b>TWO RESIDENTS ATTENDED AS POTENTIAL NEW LCC MEMBERS</b>  |         |
| <b>3.1</b> | <b>Welcome</b> - Drena welcomed the two residents and all attendees gave a brief introduction about themselves.   |         |
| <b>4.0</b> | <b>Police Report</b> – Aidan Adams is no longer to be responsible for the provision of a police report. Aidan has taken up a new post and will no longer be community police officer for Lenzie. Hopefully another will be appointed soon.  |         |
| <b>5.0</b> | <b>Minutes of the Meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September 2024</b>  |         |
| <b>5.1</b> | The minutes were proposed by Jack Cook and seconded by Drena O'Malley that these minutes are accepted as correct  |         |
| <b>6.0</b> | <b>Matters Arising</b>  |         |
| <b>6.1</b> | <p><b>Replacement of Lenzie Academy</b> – Jack gave the two residents a summary on the history of the replacement of Lenzie Academy Project (LAP). Wendy Stirling's questions recorded in the minutes of the last meeting were discussed.</p> <p><b>Could LCC ask the council for a timeline for the LAP to share with the wider community?</b></p> <p>Jack wrote to the EDC planning department, and they replied that a planning application had not been submitted by EDC and they do not know when it will be and they also do not know when a timeline will be available. Moira asked why moving children to other schools for 1 to 2 years while the new school is built on the existing site is not an option. There are four other examples of this approach being used in East Dunbartonshire. Jack replied that at the meeting Chris Gilroy and Tom Gray had with EDC (Alan Bauer Executive Officer – Assets &amp; Facilities) it was stated this was not a viable option. Unfortunately, notes were not taken at this meeting.</p> |         |

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|            | <p>The decision about where to site the new school in Whitegates park was made at a closed council session due to commercial/financial considerations.</p> <p>The decision was made to send Wendy's questions to EDC and request a reply to them. Drena undertook this action.</p> <p><b>Could LCC ask the council for a timeline for the LAP to share with the wider community?</b><br/> <b>As community councils are statutory consultees. Is LCC intending to refer EDC to the Scottish Government due to their contravention of Local Place Plans and National Greenspace guidelines?</b><br/> <b>Could LCC ask the Councillors why they voted against an early public consultation?</b></p> <p>Drena circulated the previously created LCC strategy on representing the community and this was discussed to clarify LCC's position on the LAP</p> <p><b>LCC will not take a position to support a single view of a subsection of the Lenzie residents but facilitate all the Lenzie groups holding views in to best represent their views. All groups will be supported and encouraged to develop their own self representation on their view of where the new Lenzie Academy will be situated. This would be a similar position for other major building developments in Lenzie or other issues where the community has more than one view.</b></p> <p>It was clarified that LCC do not have the power to select one view and reject other opposing views.</p> <p>Jack clarified that the proposed Whitegates site plan was over 4 hectares and therefore would be subject to the major planning application process.</p> | Drena O'Malley   |
| <b>6.2</b> | <p>Drena suggested arranging a public information session on a Saturday to give information to the public on the decisions surrounding the selection of the proposed Lenzie Academy site. One useful item would be to describe in clear terms the planning process the council will follow. Highlighting the stages that residents can, and should put in their comments.</p> <p>A proposed date of Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm was discussed.</p>   | Drena O'Malley   |
| <b>6.3</b> | <p>Mohammed Zeeshan volunteered to investigate creating an information and comments page regarding the New Lenzie Academy proposed site on Facebook.</p>  | Mohammed Zeeshan |
| <b>6.4</b> | <p>Drena will ask Tom if he can create a QR code for the next LCC Newsletter which will be on the LCC website</p>   | Drena O'Malley   |
| <b>7.0</b> | <p><b>Defibrillator</b> – Mark had recently circulated a proposal for part funding a defibrillator that could be sited in Billingtons. Prior to making a decision on the proposal LCC would need to know what the annual revenue cost of a defibrillator. Hopefully Mark will be able to find out the annual revenue cost and circulate to LCC for consideration</p>  | Mark Billington  |
| <b>8.0</b> | <p><b>Lenzie Jog</b> – The event will be going ahead and the preparatory tasks will be shared between the Kirkintilloch Olympians and LCC</p>   |                  |

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| <b>9.0</b>  | <b>Christmas Lights Switch on 30/11/24</b> – Mark is organising this event but asked for a list of the volunteer stewards for the event.  |                      |
| <b>9.1</b>  | Lenzie Community Development Trust (LCDT) received an email from Steven Egan Team Leader Streetscene Technical Support inviting them to a meeting of East Dunbartonshire Environmental groups. It was suggested that as LCC are organising the Christmas lights switch on could they ask Steven Egan if Lenzie could be given a Christmas tree with lights supplied by EDC. This would be in the place there used to be one positioned at the Vauxhall Garage (formerly Gillespie’s) on Auchinloch Road. Murdoch will ask Steven Egan if this is possible | Murdoch<br>Wilson    |
| <b>10</b>   | <b>Planning</b>   |                      |
| <b>10.1</b> | <b>Summary</b> - Jack gave a summary of the planning work LCC do to the two residents. Explaining LCC have a statutory role in the planning process   |                      |
| <b>10.2</b> | <b>Conservatory</b> - The planning application for alterations to a conservatory raised no concerns.  |                      |
| <b>10.3</b> | <b>Rowan Crescent</b> - The demolition of a house in Rowan Crescent gave some concerns and Jack will send a letter commenting that the boundary wall should be retained in line with the other houses. Also, the build should be sympathetic and in keeping with the style of the other houses in the street.   |                      |
| <b>10.4</b> | <b>Crematorium</b> - Jack had previously circulated the environmental survey details that will be carried out in an ongoing basis at the crematorium. A number of toxic substances are routinely tested for. Concern was expressed that the testing may be carried out in house by crematorium employees rather than by an independent organisation.  |                      |
| <b>10.5</b> | <b>New Industrial Park</b> - Drena highlighted that there will be the information/consultation meeting regarding the New Industrial Park between Bishopbriggs and Lenzie will be held soon and encouraged people to attend this meeting.  | All                  |
| <b>10.6</b> | <b>Laxton Drive</b> - Jack reported that EDC have acknowledged they have received LCC’s objection.  |                      |
| <b>10.7</b> | <b>Section 75 Funding</b> -Margaret highlighted that Democracy Matters had reported that that Section 75 funding will be set aside for community councils.  |                      |
| <b>10.8</b> | <b>Queen’s Grove</b> - Jack reported that this planning application has not been decided yet. This is the building plan where the house would sit on top of an old drain draining the Moss to the Cult Burn.  |                      |
| <b>10.9</b> | <b>Care Home in Woodilee</b> - The planning application for the Care Home in Woodilee was granted in March 2024.  |                      |
| <b>11</b>   | <b>AOCB</b>   |                      |
| <b>11.1</b> | <b>Local place plans</b> – These will be the first item on the agenda next month.   |                      |
| <b>11.2</b> | <b>Local place plan training</b> - Margaret will share by email details of Local place plan training.   | Margaret<br>Whitelaw |
| <b>11.0</b> | <b>Date and Time of Next Meeting -</b>  |                      |
| <b>11.1</b> | Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November at 7.00 pm in Dean House  |                      |