

Lenzie Community Council

Minutes of the monthly meeting in Dean House on Wednesday 18th March 2026 at 7.00 pm

		Actions
1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Members - Murdoch Wilson; Laura Henderson, Tom Gray; Fiona Kirkland, Jack Cook, Aileen Mundy' Drena O'Malley (Chair), Chris Gilroy	
1.2	Residents – Margaret Whitelaw; Wendy Stirling; Ron Somerville; David Cameron. Gill Sword; Emma Donaldson	
2.0	APOLOGIES -	
2.1	Laura Henderson; Chris Gilroy	
3.0	POLICE REPORT – There was no Police Report at this meeting.	
4.0	MINUTES OF MEETING ON 18TH February 2026	
4.1	Adoption of these minutes was proposed by Murdoch Wilson and seconded by Fiona Kirkland.	
5.0	MATTERS ARISING	
5.1	Annual General Meeting This item was not discussed	
10.0	FIVE-YEAR STRATEGY FOR LOCAL PLACE PLANS	
10.1	It was noted that several major developments were taking place in Lenzie with very little involvement of LCC – (Public Hall, Church Buildings, New Lenzie Academy Project, including Myrtle Avenue proposed park, Senior Co-Housing bids, Proposed housing development off Lindsaybeg Road). Any participation tended to be reactive and not holistic. It is proposed that LCC adopt a proactive, longer-term view of such developments and that this might be focused on Local Place Plans. This suggestion had been welcomed by an EDC Officer. It was noted that LCC members are already involved in a substantial number of strategies and did not have much spare capacity for strategy development. There was some discussion of the appropriateness of LPP in this context and the Planning Convener noted that there should be benefits in working with an accepted Council Planning framework such as LPP.	
7.0	NEW LENZIE ACADEMY PROJECT (PLANNING PROPOSALS)	
7.1	The Chair of the Save Whitegates Park Group spoke on the proposals, making the following points:	

	<p>(a) The finalised Ecology report (Ecological Impact Assessment V32 <i>Direct Ecology</i> on EDC website) and other reports, were removed from the site and later replaced. Respondents may therefore have made responses on the basis of reduced or different information;</p> <p>(b) A phone call with the Case Officer was disrupted;</p> <p>(c) Any comments to be submitted via the Planning portal should be consistent with the 'Position Statement' adopted by LCC in March/April 2024.</p>	
6.0	PLANNING	
6.1	<p>Weekly lists The Planning Convener had circulated a summary of Proposals presented during the period since the last LCC meeting. In the following cases, no response from LCC was thought necessary:</p> <p>TP/ED/26/01915 Boghead Road; TP/ED/26/0103 Silver Birch Drive; TP/ED/26/0093 EIA Screening request re proposed park Myrtle Avenue TP/ED/26/0079 Boghead Road; TP/ED/26/0073 Sycamore Avenue</p>	
6.2	<p>Existing Lenzie Academy site TP/ED/26/0052 recommended for discussion. It was noted that it is difficult to assess the environmental mitigation when the ecological information is split between two different sites. Concerns were also raised about the use of Elm Avenue as a vehicular access to the proposed gym. Parked cars and poor sight lines were cited. No decision was taken on making comments on this via the Planning portal.</p>	
6.3	<p>PAN Major Housing Development Lindsaybeg Road - Comments have been made on the basis of two consultations but a further, final consultation is pending and it is suggested that we make comments on the strength of that design. The developer has offered to attend a meeting of LCC and this was agreed.</p>	
8.0	WEBSITE	
8.1	<p>Faults had been experienced when entering data and it was suggested that Simon Fraser be contacted to fix the faults and provide a new or revised website which would be more straightforward to operate.</p>	
9.0	DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING	
9.1	<p>The next meeting will be on 15th April 2026 at 7:00pm at St Cyprians Church</p>	