

Minutes of September 2026 Monthly Meeting of Lenzie Community Council

held in St Cyprian's Church on Wednesday 16th September 2026 at 7.00 pm

1.0	ATTENDANCE	
1.1	Members - Murdoch Wilson; Tom Gray; Jack Cook, Drena O'Malley (Chair) , Aileen Mundy; Fiona Kirkland;	
1.2	Residents – Margaret Whitelaw (LASKcdt); Gill Sword (SWP); PC Anna McFarland; Dan McMahon (No Data Centres in ED); Daniel Mancini; David Cameron SWP; Alan Rutherford ?; Douglas MacLeod; Councillor Callum McNally (EDC); Wendy Stirling (SWP); Paul McGarry	
2.0	APOLOGIES	
2.1	Laura Henderson; Chris Gilroy ;	
3.0	POLICE REPORT	
3.1	Our request for Police assistance at end-of-year events has been considered. PC McFarland has identified two officers who can attend the Christmas Lights switch-on and we are advised to contact events/operational planning via the Police Scotland website for the 2 nd January event. Otherwise, there was little to report and PC McFarland was thanked for her participation.	
4.0	MINUTES OF MEETING ON 15TH July 2026	
4.1	Acceptance of these minutes was proposed by Murdoch Wilson and seconded by Aileen Mundy.	
5.0	VISITOR FROM 'No to Data Centres in ED'	
5.1	Dan McMahon described the local group and noted that its aim was to raise awareness in the community of the proposal to site a Hyperscale Data Centre and associated Battery Energy Storage System proposed for a site near to Crosshill Road in Bishopbriggs. They had participated in demonstrations at the Scottish Parliament which, on the day of the meeting had been considering a moratorium on developments of this nature. As the proposers of the Bishopbriggs development had not submitted a Planning proposal, public knowledge of the development was limited. (In the event the moratorium proposal did not succeed but the Scottish Government has agreed that all Data Centre proposals will be required to undergo an Environmental Impact Assessment and that National Planning Guidance will be issued before Christmas.) Dan was thanked for his contribution to the meeting.	
6.0	MEMBER of SWP	
6.1	Questions had been submitted to the Secretary in advance of the meeting, as required by the Constitution. The first of these was 'can LCC provide the minutes of the vote to remain neutral regarding Whitegates Park?'. At the time (March meeting) the matter was discussed thoroughly, members outlined their positive and negative views on the case and a draft of a neutral response was circulated to all members. The covering email in the	

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	submission noted that no single view could be found to represent the opinions of members.	
	The other questions posed relate to failure to meet National Planning Framework and Local Development Plans – why was this not 'challenged' – predicted costs impacting Council tax etc and why was EDC not asked to find an alternative site. These questions were stated but not discussed in the meeting. The SWP representative concluded with a plea that the previous neutral stance delivered via the Planning proposal be revisited, but there was no response to this.	
7.0	PLANNING	
7.1	Proposal TP/ED/26/0197 Housing off Lindsaybeg Road - The Planning Officer had drafted and circulated a letter of objection relative to this proposal, noting that the application had been discussed at two LCC meetings in May and June. Grounds for objection are stated as: 1. Proposed Vehicle access from Lindsaybeg Road is problematic for various reasons; 2. Required Biodiversity enhancement cannot be delivered because existing biodiversity is too great to survive felling tree cover and building on a large part of the site. 3. Strategic Drainage and the absence of a modern relief culvert in the proposals leaves a substantial number of houses at risk of inundation in this part of Lenzie if the historic stone culvert becomes blocked. There is also the possibility of interaction between this drainage area and the Gadloch which drains to the Park Burn through another ancient tunnel. 4. Noise The applicant's noise assessment suggests that noise levels generated by traffic on the existing busy Initiative Road are too high for the proposed new properties. Members were asked to study the draft objection and communicate with the Planning Convenor to finalise the letter to Planning.	
7.2	Weekly lists -	
	A summary of extant and new Proposals in the period between 14 th July and 12 th September had been circulated by the Planning Convenor before the meeting. None of these had been recommended for discussion, except the case shown in 7.1 above and members agreed they did not require further details from the planning convener on these recent applications.	
8.0	TERMINATION OF MEETING	
8.1	The meeting ran out of time to deal with several items on the agenda viz AGM arrangements; Opinion surveys in LCC Area; Update on the Open space maintenance meeting (Minutes now available) and update on plans for end-of- year events (Christmas lights switch-on and Lenzie Jog)	

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9.0	NEXT MEETING will be on 21st October, starting at 7:00 pm in St Cyprians Church Hall.	
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