

**MINUTES OF WEST END COMMUNITY COUNCIL**  
**HELD ON TUESDAY 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 AT LOGIE AND ST. JOHN'S CROSS CHURCH HALL**

**PRESENT:**

**Community Councillors**

Peter Menzies – Chair  
 Ann Prescott  
 Sandra McDowall  
 Mary McKenzie  
 Mgt Hubbard  
 Bruce Usher  
 Suzie Harrold  
 Jim Dryden  
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 Iain Iveson

**Elected Members**

Cllr Fraser MacPherson  
 Cllr Donald Hay  
 Cllr Richard McCready  
 Cllr Bill Campbell

**Members of the public - 8**

**IN ATTENDANCE;** Vanessa Kelly Communities Officer, Community Sergeant Elise Wilson, Paul Raeper and Jeff Halkett DCC Waste Management.

**APOLOGIES;** Alan Young, Elaine Kuwahara

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| 1  | <b>Welcome and Apologies</b><br>Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting.   |          |
| 2  | <b>Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Arising</b><br>Minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record. Proposed by Margaret Hubbard and seconded by Mary McKenzie.  |          |
| 2  | <b>Matters Arising</b>  |          |
| 2a | <b>Community Fridge</b> – There has been a change of direction and things are looking more positive. Traders are now working with The Gate. The WECC will use the leaflet to consult with others and get feedback on the idea. This will go on the website. | I Iveson |
| 2b | <b>HMO Forum</b> – This will be covered by the new West End Private Sector group – the first meeting is on 29 <sup>th</sup> November. Representatives from WECC will be Mary McKenzie, Sandra McDowall and Elaine Kuwahara.                                 |          |
| 2c | <b>Parking at Blackness/Abbotsford</b> – Cars blocking pavements at Abbotsford and Step Row will be a Police matter. Officers will now make regular checks.   | PS       |
| 2d | <b>Westfest</b> – New committee in place, date has been set for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2019. It was agreed that Suzie and Elaine will contact Martin Hay who is new chair.  | EK       |
| 2e | <b>Perth Road</b> – there has been no response from Sandy Flight yet.   |          |

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| 2f | <p><b>Parking in Blackness area</b></p> <p>Looking to the Technopole site just off Blackness Road as a potential solution. We need short term parking during the day to encourage use of shops and businesses as well as allowing short access for Care services. PM asked for cross party support for this</p> <p>Cllr MacPherson – now know the Tay Cities Deal is going ahead. We know how much, but don't know the detail of the projects.</p> <p>Peter Menzies – If it's being developed we would like 10 spaces, if it's not being developed we want 10 spaces. This has been a long wait to clarify the deal.</p> <p>Bruce Usher – concerned about those who park alongside Euro bins, blocking road and making use of the bins difficult.</p> <p>Margaret Hubbard – Ashbank Road is bad with cars parked on pavement and not using car parking spaces in Glenagnes.</p> <p>Police Scotland – parking on the pavement is difficult – legislation covers driving on pavement and causing an obstruction, if no one can pass. Each case dealt with on merit. The new Transport Bill will hopefully deal with this and help prevent this in the future.</p>   | Cllrs. |
| 3  | <p><b>Police Scotland Update – Community Sergeant Elise Wilson</b></p> <p>Need details of Christmas Lights Switch on for resourcing.</p> <p>Operation Fundamental has been very active dealing with drugs searches. Shelterd Housing inputs on personal safety, can do home visits and have some items available.</p> <p>Increasing visits to Licensed premises in the run up to Christmas and New Year.</p> <p>Filming is now complete on the Road/Risk Safety film, viewed from the eyes of a child. Harris Academy -issues being dealt with by Lee McConachie who is working hard to identify problems and groups in the area. Support from Head Teacher good. Jim Dryden felt that things in Shaftsbury were quite quiet.</p> <p>Ryan dealing with Road safety in the area – Magdalen Green getting busy again. After Dark campaign now in operation and working with staff in Ninewells to help prevent crime and deal with personal safety advice.</p>  |        |
| 4  | <p><b>Presentation – Waste Management in West End</b> – Paul Raeper Senior Manager and Jeff Halkett Assistant Manager</p> <p>Background to changes – Scottish Government/COSALA/Zero Waste Scotland developed Recycling Charter and asked Local Authorities to sign up to this. DCC had already been set on a recycling scheme - this was different so new model was created. Very challenging period for staff. A review of those we had changed in 2015 was made and changes implemented to be complete in 2018. Despite the issues we are the first Local Authority to be charter compliant. All recycling services available to all Dundee residents. Those not involved in West End were those living in the lanes. New routes – received feedback and worked with routing team – services are now performing, but still issues with frequency and capacity of bins. Specific areas we need to make changes are; Glenagnes, Roseangle, Rosefield Place and Street, Blackness Street and Blackness Road.</p> <p>Bin Security has also been an issue, partly due to crews but also theft of chains and locks. Introduced a wire system which has no monetary value.</p> <p>Landlord's furniture – aware of the issue of furniture being dumped – going to promote a special collection service through the Registered Landlord Scheme, so they can pay to put out furniture. Will try this at next student intake. Working with University to explain recycling.</p> |        |

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|   | <p>Funding from Zero Waste Scotland to visit flattened properties to encourage them to recycle, approx. 4,000 visited in West End. Over 1,000 engages with advisors to support, but the found incorrect recycling information displayed, lack of food waste – so next stage is to build on that.</p> <p>Questions/Comments</p> <p>BU – concerned about level of street cleanliness</p> <p>PM – there are different levels of cleanliness in the area. This is not covered by Paul's team.</p> <p>Cllr MacPherson – 32 less street cleaners than previously – concerned about long term effects of cuts.</p> <p>SH – Magdalen Green doesn't have enough bins, household bins get used, need to increase particularly in the summer. This will be raised by Paul.</p> <p>PM – What can we do if we see fly tipping at bins?</p> <p>PR – This is an Environmental Compliance issue, it can be reported online by email at <a href="mailto:environmental.compliance@dundee.gov.uk">environmental.compliance@dundee.gov.uk</a> or by called 433710 Option 4.</p> |      |
| 5 | <p><b>Perth Road Update</b></p> <p>One change taking place is the change from all day to 45mins parking on Perth Road between The Gate and Roseangle.</p> <p>Sustrans project could make changes, waiting for Russell Pepper to report back.</p> <p>Meeting to discuss the progress of Dundee Decides Project for the Perth Road will be held on 29<sup>th</sup> November.</p>  |      |
| 6 | <p><b>Planning Update</b></p> <p>Peterson Halls – an application for a change of use to create an HMO and double the number of units currently on site. It was agreed that the WECC would object to this proposal. The limit for HMO will be discussed on the 29<sup>th</sup> November.</p>   | WECC |
| 6 | <p><b>WECC Hit List</b></p> <p>Peter disappointed that not more has been done in the West End. Concerned that local businesses are struggling and lack of parking doesn't help. Need to find out how to access the funding allocated to shopping districts.</p> <p>Both Coldside and Maryfield forums are keen to meet and discuss parking issues across town.</p>  |      |
| 8 | <p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>Leaf clearance – problems across the area.</p> <p>West End networking event on the 4<sup>th</sup> December – reps Mary, Sandra, Elaine and Peter</p>  | All  |
| 9 | <p><b>DTNM</b></p> <p>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2018</p>   |      |