## MINUTES OF WEST END COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 9TH MAY 2018 AT LOGIE AND ST. JOHN'S CROSS CHURCH HALL

## **PRESENT:**

## **Community Councillors**

Peter Menzies – Chair Ann Prescott Andrew O'Malley Iain Iveson Sandra McDowall M Hubbard

Suzie Harrold

**Bruce Usher** 

Mary McKenzie

Scott Robertson

## **Elected Members**

Cllr Bill Campbell
Cllr Fraser MacPherson
Cllr Donald Hay
Cllr Richard McCready
Members of the public - 4

**IN ATTENDANCE;** Vanessa Kelly Communities Officer, J Simpson DC Thomson, Community Sergeant Elise Wilson **APOLOGIES;** Alan Young, Jim Dryden

1	Welcome and Apologies  Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting. Many thanks to Cllr John Alexander for coming along to address the Community Council.
2	<ul> <li>Presentation – Cllr John Alexander Leader of DCC</li> <li>Key Points;</li> <li>Dundee has its challenges -Poverty and deprivation a priority, drugs misuse high on agenda along with Domestic Violence.</li> <li>Administration does not shy away from issues – address them, engage with them and find solutions and motivate to change.</li> <li>Work with partners, NHS, Third Sector and Dundee Partnership to discuss and debate the actions.</li> <li>Don't make rash decisions – invest and look long term</li> <li>Waterfront development – long term 20-30 yrs. Not the only investment, look at housing and new schools.</li> </ul>
	Questions/Comments  PM – Parking Issues – concerned that DCC do not get it right first time – dealing with issues that could've been sorted.  AY – The Caird @ 172 – Licensed till 3am despite previously not getting license, confused as never consulted.  SH – how do you feel about '20' plenty for the lanes, Magdalen Road etc.  JA – feel very strongly about this, same issue in Strathmartine.  SH – real issue due to speeds and worry over child safety. Drivers speed up to pass parked cars quickly on Riverside Drive/Magdalen Green.

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	Comments from the floor relating to shoddy workmanship by some council staff – context is 7,000 staff, 13,000 council homes and 600 tradesman.	
	AP – concerned about emissions and the effect reducing speeds has on catalytic convertors – links to rise in child asthma. AP concerned that new housing development at Nethergate will have children living in an area with high levels of air	
	pollution.	
	JA – created the Environment forum, including Friends of the Earth. Looking at strategies – electric vehicles with free parking. Dundee will have 12 hydrogen buses and will work to remove polluting buses.	
	MH – Lime Street problems with wall insulation, problems with young people wandering through open plan gardens.	
	JA – Insulation was done through Solar Cities and they no longer are in operation. Unfortunately societal changes mean that young people behave differently and there's not much the council can do to change this.	
	SR – What is being done about international connections at the airport and why is it better to build new office blocks at Waterfront than to use existing empty blocks? JA – passionate about opening up new international routes at the airport, exploring options and hoping demand will attract new investors.	
	There has been opposition to the development at Site 6 - people have taken a sense of pride in development, hence kick back. It is an economic intervention to increase jobs and support families. Organisations do not want sites on the edge of city. DCC own the waterfront so we can make some money. No detail can be	
	shared other than Marriott Hotel, but rest assured all appropriate processes will be taken.	
3	Police Scotland Update – Community Sergeant Elise Wilson	
	Apologies Inspector Lannon cannot attend meeting tonight but will endeavour to come along to June's meeting.	
	Officers have been deployed regularly to target speeding on Perth Road and Blackness Road, now going to target bottom of Windsor Street.	
	The issues at Shaftsbury are being dealt with by ASB team. Engagement with pupils at Harris Academy very strong and Mentors in Violence training is being rolled out	
	to 6 teachers.  Westfest will have a strong presence with 8 officers and the event vehicle – this provides an opportunity to talk to residents about their issues.	
	Elise and officers are touring Sheltered Housing Lounges to engage with older	
	residents and happy to do preventative work.  Also need support with the new trauma teddy initiative.	Police Scotland/
	Local MATAC meetings are working well.	DCC
	Questions	
	Cllr Campbell – can we get a Pop Up Jim?  E Wilson – yes, possible, but still better to have a real officer.	
	M H – concerned about vehicles parking on corners and at bus stops	
	EW – get registration of vehicle and they will be dealt with.	
4	Minutes of the last Meeting and Matters Arising from the Minutes April 10 <sup>th</sup> 2018  Minutes agreed as an accurate record. Proposed by Iain Iveson and Seconded by Bruce Usher.	
	Matters arising;	
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а	lain reported that social media was very lively with debate about proposed Green Market development. Save the DCA cinema campaign has promoted good discussion on the entire development, including civic space.	
b	Anne spoke about the interest the developers were taking in routes to the site, including lanes, walkways and playparks. Agreed to look further at plans.	AP
С	Perth Road Walkabout  Cllr MacPherson spoke about the work which was being done by John Berry. John is taking an action plan from the walkabout forward and is seeking some quick wins. No other comments were received from elected members. JB will take the report and get agreements.	JB/City Dev
5	<ul> <li>PLANNING</li> <li>Former Meathouse –an objection has gone in under overprovision policy and the need for a restaurant and not a pub. Moving forward VK, MM and SM will ask for a meeting to seek guidance on objection.</li> <li>HMOs that were all objected to have been passed.</li> <li>The trees across from the Airport were removed by Network Rail for safety reasons. This was part of a national programmme of tree removal near to railway lines.</li> </ul>	SM/MM
6	AOCB The barrier at Ryehill has caused confusion due to NHS having run out of tokens, hence leaving it up. The NHS have invested in a whole lot of tokens, so this will rectify the problem.  Friends of Magdalen Green AGM – Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> May. Speakers Dark Dundee.	Cllr Mac
7	DTNM Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	