West End Community Council Tuesday March 12th, 2024, at 1900h Study Room, Blackness Library, Perth Road DD2 1EJ

PRESENT:

Gary Langlands (GL) (Chair)	WECC	Alison Duffy (AD)	WECC
Gail Stirling (GS)	WECC	Neil Mcleod (NM)	WECC
Rob Evans (RE)	WECC	Roz Langlands (RL)	WECC
Iain Iveson (II)	WECC	Christine Rea (CR)	DCC Communities Officer
Ann Prescott (AP)	WECC	Cllr Nadia El-Nakla (NEN)	Elected Councilor
Jayne Purcell (JP)	WECC	Bailey Fraser Macpherson (FM)	Elected Councilor
Innocent Oriaku (IO)	WECC	Cllr Michael Crichton (MC)	Elected Councilor
Gail Stirling (GS)	WECC	14 Members of the public (MOP)	

1	WELCOME AND APOLOGIES	
	Gary Langlands (GL) welcomed all to the meeting.	
2	APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES	
	Proposed: Roz Langlands (RL) Seconded: Neil McLeod (NM)	
3	Matters Arising Dundee University (Pre-Application) No Response, Telecoms Mast at Glamis Road (Pre-Application) No Response	
4	Catherine Conroy-Dundee City Council Service Manager (environment)	
	Catherine Conroy brought everyone at the meeting up to date with ongoing Biodiversity projects to the Parks, Rivers, Ponds, including recent projects of Tree Planting, wildflower meadows, informing of the Take Pride in City campaign including removal of graffiti, litter picking etc,	
5	POLICE REPORT The police updated the WECC that they were working with retail shops regarding the ongoing issues of shoplifting etc highlighting over 100 offences in Lochee.	
6	PLANNING AND LICENSING Planning Applications –	
	Morgan Tower, Nethergate, Installation of 24hr Dispensing unit, Objection (Conservation Area)	
	46 Farington Street, Dundee, Installation of fence Objection (Conservation Area)	GL
	Licensing Application- Casa, Nethergate, Installation of Large tv Screen (Euros 2024) No Objection	
7	Magdalen Green Footbridge Gary Langlands (GL) and Gail Stirling (GS) representing WECC attended the invite only Consultation for the proposed Footbridge replacement. It was noted that there was no direct way members of the public could have an input or views on the proposed footbridge heard due to the consultation being for limited, invited groups and online only comments preventing non internet users a say. Bailey MacPherson (FM) suggested setting up a meeting with Dundee city council engineers (Graham Boyd, Garry Brady) Cllr Nadia El-Nakla (NEN) suggested a public meeting to allow members of the public to share their thoughts/views, The consultation for the footbridge is still ongoing until 18th March. GL to make representation to the head of the Council John Alexander. AP presented a history of the bridge crossing going back over 100 years and summary of original consultation numbers. The question of a balanced consultation following demographic and location protocols and the inclusion of non digital access residents remains unanswered. Many online comments from residents made on the Stantec website have not been answered and the 'conversation' was not really taking place. WECC remains committed to any new bridge providing access for all but also remains confused why the 'conversation' revolved around only one design. As Dundee is a UNESCO City of Design, comment was made that a community inclusive design process should have been followed.	

8	AGM and Elections /Councilors Roles & Responsibilities	
	AGM 9 th April 2024, 19.00hrs	
9	ACOB	
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	No new issues were raised. 2, DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
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