

MINUTES OF WEST END COMMUNITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2019 AT LOGIE AND ST. JOHN'S CROSS CHURCH HALL

PRESENT:

Sandra McDowall
 Bruce Usher
 Jim Dryden - Chair
 Russell Pepper
 Iain Iveson
 Ann Prescott
 Mary McKenzie
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Elected Members

Cllr Fraser MacPherson

Members of the public – 10

IN ATTENDANCE: Mike Welsh- Communities Officer

APOLOGIES: Councillor Richard McCready, Councillor Donald Hay

1.	Welcome and Apologies	Action
	Jim Dryden welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were notes from Councillor Richard McCready and Councillor Donald Hay	
2.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting – 10th September 2019	
	This was agreed as a correct record following amendment of point 5, Places for Everyone – Union Street – should be Union Place. The minute was proposed by Russell Pepper and seconded by Bruce Usher.	
3.	Correspondence	
	Jim indicated that the following was received since the last meeting;	
3.1	John Berry (Dundee City Council) – a letter regarding a parking strategy for the West End was sent to WECC. Following a short discussion, it was agreed that a letter of complaint will be sent to Dundee City Council about this strategy. Jim to action	JD
3.2	Minutes of Sustrans meeting held recently – Jim asked that the content of this meeting be deferred to point 5 of agenda. This was agreed.	
3.3	Low Emissions Legislation – Jim reported on an email sent to WECC on the topic of this legislation, and particularly the establishment of a low-emission zone in the city. Councillor MacPherson indicated that there are other areas which require investigation in Dundee, but reported that the consultants undertaking the consultation are due to establish a traffic modelling process which will helpfully identify places of interest. Jim indicated that the consultants wish to attend the next meeting of WECC. It was agreed that Jim would invite them at 8pm on 12 th November to allow a one hour briefing for the new community councillors.	JD
4.	Police Scotland Update	
	No report available due to lack of attendance.	
5.	Perth Road Place making Project Update	
	Due to concerns about the effectiveness of the existing working group on this project, Sustrans had requested that the WECC consider the best way to approach this project in future. A discussion	

	<p>was held about when this should be done and the Chair proposed that he was minded to allow community councillors to vote on this topic at this meeting. Although some members felt the next meeting would be more appropriate, a motion was proposed to vote now. This was agreed. Another motion to refuse funding for the next phase of this project was proposed. 4 members were in favour of refusal and 4 were in support of WECC accepting funding for the next phase. As there was a split in the vote, the chairperson used his casting vote and voted in favour of refusal. It was agreed to notify Sustrans of this discussion and decision.</p> <p>A lengthy discussion followed, the conclusion of which was that WECC would consider future discussions with Sustrans on potential funding but that clear outcomes would be required.</p>	<p>JD</p>
<p>6.</p> <p>6.1</p> <p>6.2</p> <p>6.3</p> <p>6.4</p> <p>6.5</p>	<p>Planning Update</p> <p>Mary reported that there was a split vote on the recent Fort House application. As a result, a decision was taken to send a letter of objection on points raised by objectors and a letter of support outlining points raised in support of the application was also to be lodged.</p> <p>Tay Rope Works – although this planning application was supported by the DCC Planning Committee, the listed building warrant was not approved. Councillor MacPherson reported that the builder has submitted an objection to this refusal.</p> <p>Sainsbury’s – it was reported that an opening of the new store is anticipated prior to the next WECC meeting in November.</p> <p>Technology Park vandalised building – it was reported that a planning application to subdivide this property into smaller units is anticipated soon.</p> <p>Royal Bank of Scotland – ATM – Jim reported that RBS is investigating various options for an alternative site for this facility, but as yet have failed to identify an appropriate place.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Community Council Election</p> <p>Mike reported that the window for prospective Community Councillors to seek election onto WECC is open until 25th October 2019. He requested that any prospective members complete the application form which is online at the Dundee City Council website, contained in an information folder in local libraries or through forms that he distributed at the meeting. He added that all proposers, seconders and candidates must live in the West End Community Council area and will require to prove this when all candidates meet on 12th November at 7pm. A letter will be issued to all candidates by Mike unless more than 19 or less than 10 nominations are received. If this occurs then an election or an extension to the period of receiving nominations will be organised and all prospective members will be informed.</p> <p>Mike pointed out that if between 10 and 19 candidates forms are received, then the next meeting on 12th November will include a briefing on roles and expectations of community councillors plus appropriate paperwork will be organised.</p>	
<p>8.</p> <p>8.1</p> <p>8.2</p>	<p>Other meetings attended on behalf of WECC</p> <p>Meeting held on investigation into a speed reduction in the West End Ward (inc. Magdalen Yard Road). It was reported that the investigation has started and that a report is expected in the future prior to a decision being made.</p> <p>It was reported that the airport liaison meeting was postponed until later in October.</p>	
<p>9.</p>	<p>A.O.C.B.</p> <p>A query was raised about how other areas in the West End are considered for scrutiny by WECC. It was agreed to organise a development plan session at a future WECC meeting to identify potential areas/pieces of work for the next 5 years.</p>	

10.	Date and Time of Next Meeting Tuesday 12 th November at 7pm in Logie St John's Church Hall	
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