

West End Community Council meeting
13th October 2020
Online meeting

PRESENT:

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| Russell Pepper | WECC |
| Ann Prescott | WECC |
| Nick Marra | WECC |
| Iain Iveson | WECC |
| Lynsey Penny | WECC |
| Esther Carmen | WECC |
| Joanne Kelly | DCC Neighbourhood Services |
| Cllr Donald Hay | DCC |
| Cllr Richard McCready | DCC |
| Bailie Fraser McPherson | DCC |
| Anna Day and Pat | Public |

1. WELCOME

Russell Pepper welcomed all to the meeting. Additional points to be discussed were added to the agenda.

2. Modal filter at Riverside approach.

The modal filter at Riverside Approach was discussed. It was agreed that WECC will write a letter to Ewan McNaughton (new head of Sustainable Transport and Roads at DCC) to say that we were supportive of the proposed filter and we don't agree with their decision not to implement, but that if it cannot go ahead as initially proposed, we would like to work on a solution. This may include a safe crossing from Magdalen Green to playpark, one-way, safe cycle route between Magdalen Green and Riverside, "Local access only" signage etc. Ewan to also be invited to next meeting.

2. Christmas Fortnight Update

Fraser and Ann gave an update. The bid to the festive fund was successful, and almost all the events are ready. Much will be online, and will be filmed so people can watch at home. Part of this will be a "Merry Christmas" message from different West End groups - including the WECC (to be arranged later). Some events, like the Santa sleigh cavalcade will be on the street with measures for safe distancing etc. It was noted that the Botanics are also getting involved and it's been very good to see the wider community getting involved and supportive.

If anyone has any/knows of any events taking place from the end of Nov onwards, please contact Fraser so they can be added to the programme.

ACTION

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3. WECC recruitment

Joanne updated the group - no-one has been in touch with Natalie for a pack yet, and Joanne will check the library to see if anyone has taken packs home. There has been interest from Lewis Pull, who Ann will chase up. Lynsey also knows someone who will be joining, and Anna/Pat (attending the meeting) may also be interested. It was confirmed that the call for new community councillors was advertised in the Courier on Friday 2nd Oct. WECC (and others) to put out reminder posts on social media.

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4. Dundee Partnership funding

The bike rack app was not successful - mainly because full permissions for installation were not in place. There will also be a new pot of funding soon from DCC's successful "Spaces for People" bid - it is likely that the rack (and potentially more ambitious measures, in conjunction with local businesses) can be applied for when this fund opens.

Ann confirmed that funding for a memorial garden at the Western Cemetery has been approved. Also that the stretch of path between the MG and Harris footbridges will be regularly mown/pruned.

There will be £1798 available from the LCPP opening in November for projects to be completed/take place in Jan-March.

5. Vandalised building at Riverside Drive/Technology Park

Nick has seen that work has finally begun on improving this building, he thanked all council officers and councillors responsible.

6. AOCB

Joanne has recently met with the local police who are keen to let us know that although they're unable to attend online meetings, they are keen to work with us on projects etc.

Also the LCPP had an application for a community recovery garden at city church, and will pass on more info at a later date.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be on Tues 10th Oct - likely online again. The link will be again publicised online for public to attend.

