Minutes of North Kelvin Community Council 3rd September 2024

Present: Alasdair Macdonald, Christine Alison, Merle Read, Douglas Peacock, Rowena Statt, Elaine Doherty, Stuart Wallace, Patricia Grant, Joyce Khatri, Andrea Fisher

Councillors: Martha Wardrop, Ken Andrews, Kieran O'Neill

Apologies: Councillor Hoy, Louise MacKenzie, David Conway, Frank Shennan

- 1. Appointment of minute secretary Joyce Khatri
- 2. Minutes of last meeting approved by Merle Read and Alasdair Macdonald
- 3. Police report not available.
- 4. Follow up actions:

Bin Hubs evaluation has been completed, no feedback on questions so far. No update to submission, back on agenda for next meeting. The Council evaluation is now posted on the website.

RPZ issues - Parking bays to be painted in Doune Gardens and Doune Quadrant, outstanding work.

Review of parking was due in August 2024 but has not been done. Issue to be brought up at the meeting on 4th September about closure of Queen Margaret Road,

Community council national level can be contacted re funding. Patricia and Alasdair to follow up and write to them.

5. Councillor's Reports

Kieran O'Neill reported that problems with Ringo renewal issues have not yet been resolved. Queen Margaret Drive resurfacing has been pushed back.

Ken Andrews said that two and a half million pounds has been agreed for cycle parking hubs. They are very heavily oversubscribed in the West End so there is a need for more of them. Confirmed that these would take up parking bays. There

was a discussion about how to site them so as to minimise the loss of parking bays. It was suggested another hub could be placed on the pavement area of Wilton Street Gardens. Martha Wardrop to follow this up. Another suggestion was to site them in back lanes but these are private property so that could only occur if residents agreed to this.

A request was made to move the shelter at the end of Yarrow Gardens because it is in a blind spot.

Martha confirmed that she was still trying to get the bins on Lyndhurst Gardens moved, potentially to the back lanes. First need agreement about sorting the bin shelters.

Martha mentioned retrofit heating by heat pumps presentation. She will share the film with the Community Council. To report back about potential visit.

Discussion on heat pumps about cost and siting problems for older buildings and especially tenements plus noise issues and common responsibility issue. Options need to be looked at.

It was agreed that the Queen Margaret Road briefing note was too sketchy and there are various interest groups concerned with this issue. Scottish Water plans need to be known first and input from emergency services about access is very important. Rowena stated that what is needed is robust reporting on what is a technical issue and we do not have enough information to make an informed decision. There has been no consultation and no transparency. Meeting to discuss arranged to discuss on site on 4th September.

Rowena to write a summary of relevant emails to present to the Council.

Agreed that those present at the meeting to collate outcome of it.

Andrea Fisher reported that the charge of £850 per annum for car parking was adversely impacting teaching staff at Dunard Primary School. It is currently cheaper to use a car than to use public transport and prohibitively expensive then to park the car. The policy is to increase public transport and decrease car use but these parking charges are thought to be very unfair.

6. Open Government in Glasgow – call for ideas 2024

There was no brief as to what this item it. Martha to find the report and inform what this is at the next meeting.

7. Communications report

There are about 1000 communications per month. Ringo support very much needed. Patricia to follow up and guide to Ringo use and contacts could be posted on the website. There is a real need for support.

Ken will ask parking officials to a produce a quick guide for our website.

8. Planning Officer's Report

Cafe Ibiza on Maryhill Road is now applying for retrospective planning permission for the changes they made.

Planning was refused for solar panels on a listed building. Objection would need go through a Councillor, can email Ken Andrew.

9. Licensing Report

No report.

10. Clean Up Scheduling

Community clean up to be arranged at the next meeting.

11. AOB

Kelvinbridge lights not functional. Action needed because this is a health and safety issue. Council is currently looking at LED lighting but not yet confirmed.

Children's Wood and Botanics school sessions planting bulbs need a budget plan to be agreed by Alasdair. There will be approximately 100 children so will need 200 bulbs. NKCC to pay this.

Date and venue for next walk - being arranged by Alasdair. Govan across the new Bridge on 7th September.